

aiastical Union as the natural result of the common views on Church policy, which they entertain, and the common spiritual office with which they have been invested, in connection with the circumstance of their living in the same Provinces; and they have accordingly united themselves into a Synod, branched out into four distinct Presbyteries; and a union flowing out of a higher principle than mere expediency, will, they confidently hope, through the Divine blessing, remedy evils under which their Churches have hitherto laboured, and conduce to the planting of new Churches.

Those and other obvious considerations appeared to your Memorialists to justify their forming themselves into a Synod—And your Memorialists humbly hope that this step shall obtain the sanction of your Venerable Body: and your Memorialists respectfully await your decision as to the particular nature of that connexion which shall subsist between this Synod and your Venerable Assembly—confident, that their Churches will not be left by you in a less favoured situation to the Established Church of Scotland, than that in which the Episcopal Church in these and other foreign parts stands to the Established Church of England. * *

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DECLARATORY ENACTMENT.

Passed by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, May, 1833.

That it is *proper and expedient* for Ordained Ministers of the Church of Scotland connected with fixed Congregations in any of the British Colonies, to form themselves, where circumstances permit, into Presbyteries and Synods, *adhering to the Standards of this Church, and maintaining her form of Worship and Government.*

That no Minister should be received as a Member of any such Presbytery or Synod, when first formed, who has not been ordained by a Presbytery of this Church; that no Minister of this Church should be afterwards received as a Member, who does not come specially recommended from the Presbytery by whom he was ordained, or where he has last resided; and that no Probationer of this Church should receive ordination from any such Presbytery, except on his producing extract of Licence, with a testimonial of his good character, from the Presbytery or Presbyteries within whose

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