

They did not, however, follow out their intention in this latter particular; but printed copies of an address,\* signed by all the Ministers having cure of souls, to the several Protestant Episcopalian members of the Societies of St. George, St. Andrew, and St. Patrick, were distributed in the several Protestant Episcopal Churches, on the morning of Sunday the 13th. Can it be said, if this address was properly worded, (which I will briefly consider presently,) that their method of distributing it was improper? It seemed the only course which, under present circumstances, was likely to effect their object,—to counteract, as far as they could, the very improper proceedings of the several Committees of the three Societies, the one in giving,† the other two in accepting the invitation to attend collectively public service in St. Patrick's Church on St. Patrick's

\* Inserted at the end of the Notes to this Letter. (2.)

† The invitation of the St. Patrick Society was *irregular* as well as improper. See the copy of the Second Article of the Constitution of this Society, inserted at the end of the Notes to this Letter. (3.)