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with safety to the welfare of the community,  
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of nature, yet the establishment of Popery,  
which is a very different thing from the to-  
leration of it, is, for very just and wise rea-  
sons, altogether incompatible with the fun-  
damental principles of our constitution.

I will, however, wave a subject which must  
ever be an invidious one while there are so  
many of us in communion with the Roman  
church, and which is perhaps impertinent,  
because it carries with it the appearance of a  
remote danger, while so many nearer mischiefs  
demand our present and our earnest attention.

It is of not the establishment of the Popish  
religion in Quebec, even to the exclusion of  
a toleration to the Protestants except by fa-  
vour of the crown, and this at a time when  
the test, and other arbitrary acts restrain-  
ing the rights of conscience, hang over the  
heads of our own Dissenters, that we now  
complain.