

accordance with Scripture ; and I admit you to the ministry in my communion upon your pledge of adhesion to these doctrines." If upon the plea that she grants the supremacy of Scripture, he afterwards turns round and says, I have a right to deny your doctrines—to pronounce them the traditions of men—a system of idolatry, he certainly violates his compact with his Church. No plea drawn from the sixth Article can justify this proceeding. If one Article of the Church is binding, all are binding : the authority of all is equal : the obligation to each and all of them is the same.

The substance of the entire matter is now before the public. The correspondence with Mr. Wiggins is placed in their hands not *partially*, but in *full*. They have it now in their power to judge what the tenets of Mr. Wiggins are ; how far they accord with that sacred standard to which he appeals, the Holy Scripture ; and with that further standard to which he has been unwilling to appeal, the Creeds, Articles, and Formularies of his Church. They can now form some better estimate of what he means by "persecution," and how far there has been a "sacrifice" of anything to which he had justly a *claim*. They can now see by whose "overt act" it has been, that Mr. Wiggins has been severed from his Curacy ; and at whose door, in reality, lie the charges of "discourtesy" and "dishonesty." For my own part, I feel the deepest consciousness that I have never, in the course of my life, taken—with regard to any individual, lay or clerical,—more unwearied pains to avoid the slightest infringement upon either, than in the case of Mr. Wiggins. Nor did I ever feel a more thorough persuasion, in any line of conduct I have adopted, that the call of duty rendered it imperative upon me. Were I to meet a similar case again, I should feel myself constrained by a sense of duty to my office, my parishioners, and my Church, to pursue the same course, and by essentially the same means. Those, who from their official connexion with me in this Parish, have had the best opportunity of knowing the state of the case, have expressed their unqualified approbation of the course I have pursued. [See Appendix.] Nevertheless, I have had reference throughout, to the approval of a higher tribunal, and to