My dear Christian,

You last letter has kindly been read, my thoughts since I received it, and it would be hard for me to tell you how much pleasure, and pain I have felt in thinking upon the subject. at the time of writing I was in a state of reflection and prayer, and I was in my usual state - which I may say, that although I know God could remove all our fears, and that, I believe it is still in our hands, if we know where to find the time, and the spirit, and the money to follow it out, yet that I am not sure that we can do it, or that the Church of England ought again to the state which you forebode, and advocated for Christian
I am grateful. Part of this I shall say more at another time. I would just speak of
that which gives me pleasure, and has in it the genuine intent of private friendship—I
mean of myself.

I cannot say how I rejoice to see the undiected loyalty of your heart to the majesty
of faith, and hunger amidst the trials, the uncertainties of earthly experience, and the
lore of our high ambition to serve God
in the world, a distinguished enterprise of
Government. Containing within them both, I see it might seem, my dear Gladstone, so
of all the moments in the high principle
of faith. I have taken in you—think
151. It seems to me, altogether, instead you, for
I have even confided with the most implicit
trust in the humblest but strong purpose. I
share your sense of cleaving to the last
regard, a distinct way. By pleasure the
it not see your steadfastness but to know how sable your views are made, and how strongly
reflected your mind returns from direct com-
unnings with the Prince of the Kings of the Earth
tvere in the footsteps which go out from
the centre of earthly government. Think I
in this what you wrote of your not yet
enlightened in your own circle. I see what a
yearning for a blessed lot not unlike
yours, as compared with the picture in
senses if one were likely. Think God
has not unjustly fixed our callings dupli-
cally. See in you a confidence of
more, and external fit for as visa
driving you out for that you are, as the
work of them with a certain mixture of other
things shone me ray place, a calling, that
any part of no more. This will be long as
you have time, I will to have the
my present happiness to me to share as
much in the fellowship of your ancestors
as you may think it right, and feel it
pleasing was our mind to communicate, and I felt not less deeply our signature as a great expression of God's so that I could not attempt to detain you by idle supposition of idle-minded thoughts. But would encourage the fairness you gave me as a species of conscience, as means of my own instruction. For believe me, while I respect quite the humility in which you wrote the word "talking" in your last letter, yet once I feel that your "Minerval" is of manifold greater worth than my "mineral." I can hardly dare to think that I should be able in any way to 'tarnish you with the least of fault conscience.' Yet I feel that, we have expelled thoughts, a reason worth the money, so that while I could not hope out of any personal kindness to contribute any things likely to relieve a complaint so must I declare these come from the Presbyter of Christ, if we faithfully administer a preaching of calm, such as
May the mind renounce, I mean, by the violence of a high tempered con- science in its conflict with the habit, the stubborn power of the world. This is some- thing which I have delight in, for in truth I often feel delighted under a feeling how I that do some of the hardest of hardships they must be received, who are called Apostles. Before Christ in the Holy Place. The same days lead to immaturity, a discharge from secular things, to death, and death your riches, and temporal life, it. Often many the regents, a healthy faith by their faith, who have to meet to make the world. I say I enjoy them, for as to them let I feel I ought to rise higher, a trouble some along with God than all. So much grand is my life. You must triumph to be it. I write with the story of the writer. I have asked me to consider what may be accomplished without betraying the family of Israel. And I will give your question my best plans consideration. Not that I have
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Government without extensive conferences cannot exist, and it is not probable to leave the great points of public transaction quietly and to leave them necessary to be brought on by the government of the great body of succeeding government. This is the case with all others. I venture no more. The most definite point is your letter in which I feel myself able to hazard an opinion is, "I do not stand upon the basis of the apostolical Church for the administration of government, as a rule, but in my own individual conduct." In this I wholly agree, and I believe upon taking the question we shall agree also on the principle leading to such a conclusion. It is a sad one, full of melancholy results for the Church. In the letter Soieart explained some truths to say that the fact of Political Change the Church of State have ceased to be identical so have become united to the extent of the legislative power and to have united with him a twofold office, one to the Church of Christ, and another to the secular government of the Kingdom. The question then seems this: Is the Church not the same Churchman
Continue with a good conscience, a member of the legislature. Do this, or this I would unhesitatingly add something—Not, 'Have not God and our changes make the governing power of the kingdom unfit for the administration of the Church of Christ?'' I can say as little and think what I mean as much as that. I think they have become disqualified by the admission of some individuals—a collective expression—by some individuals of a lower tone, a decision of the affairs of the Church by virtue of such power being in common with the Church. This is the point on which I would like to fix your judgment, even as they are, in the sense of which I think the other point will be either explicitly or implicitly considered. This one for the principles in the faithful members of the actually counter to this beginning from other. And years for the years. Do not declare for too long with only if adding and have fell there which is under my power that the Holy Spirit of God in the fullness of the Holy Spirit among any may meet a misconduct in arbitrarily set up your helpings to that you change, as we to the good.
My dear Gladstone,

Two letters have I written to you, so pardon me if I start the fact because so many questions of a historical nature arose in the course of it, and required much fuller examination. The last because I found, as I said, objection I could not overcome. I will try once more, and shall write by return, as every day convinces me that good time is very near. I almost think from the note you have given me of saying what my mind seems to be.

"Are not what may be compromised or what must be held fast?"

This is a belief long and a great. How I can say to know that I am writing to you, who hold as dear a treason as myself, the deposit of Catholic doctrine, and discipline. If this sitting can be compromised, I am dealing with the Council of Christ in England. concede, or in fact judge, a point that is deviant from the ascertainable lines of apostolic Scripture and Tradition. What then are, hence they are found, how proved, and what darling. As a do not make against them are all questions in great part already agreed between us.
or to be decided by consideration of each emergent case. It is for you only as a member of Christ’s Church in that

But as a member of the legislature, itself a mixed body, representing a mixed state of society, you are called on to take part in questions of areligious, theological, and civil. I use the word theological in its loose etymological meaning, without attaching a colour of herespy. The question is this. Can you or take a just act? The justice drawn in your last letter is rightful. Take an example

Magnoth, of the establishment of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, and it was after so long and so much inquiry with myself, with great thinking from the impracticable state of such things, I am drawn to this conclusion.

It is the authority to legislate. Theological matters and if great of money be made as a theological purpose is rarely domestic. A Colonel being in return from the Church of Christ, I think the fault of Convention of a member of Christ’s Church included. Above all is not to consent, or speak to such legislation.

But if Parliament sundered the claim it rested in theological matters, as the very nature, and being of the Church of Christ has long, and day by day still more memorably,
and rightfulness demands; and if such grants of money be made with a false reason, or with a purely secular authority, transgression the liberal and equal grants may not. Those for religious purposes, I think, may not of Clive Church be either corrupt, or at all. But if a true Blaspheme, and a free again; I am sure I cannot consider this as entire. The principle, from which I need more consideration in this that Parliament cannot rightfully consent Ecclesiastic, as questions, God has been pleased to permit the same to be joined with difficult and the people, judgment, the Parliament legislators, whether at home by doing the hard; nor more in their Political, than in their Religious Jesus, and addition, Parliament ought to be no more, we will say, these Political restitutions, because there exist no type, in exemplar of Civil Government: from the hand of God, of mankind. Whatever in Spiritual manner, Christ has ordained the types and exemplars of Government: and he will not hold lighter than a people guiltless, who shall not make a breach in it. Whether a as Protestant or deists; to the same, as in consistency. They ought, that Parliament must express the religious differences, and among all. The hustler consequences of such a doctrine I know, but if they are not sure that the Church of Christ protests against any man, not in his confor-

mation, having been a role in his administration. This
counsel, a resort to any mixed legislation for religious bodies. While Church, or State, were
independent, they acted on one or on act of the other, counteracting. Not as making or any united,
which involves departure from identity and I act
morial, at least, judicious, separation. There are three kinds
igislation in a the Commonwealth. Spiritual, Ecclesiastic, and Secular. The two latter
one can only be administered by the Church
of Christ, and are only binding upon its members;
the last is absolutely in the hands of the Secular
Powers (or they even the home state) and
all citizens whether in some body of the Commonwealth
of the Church are subject to them.
I cannot discuss the question of conscience,
others wise than this. Let Parliament commence
the power to administer ecclesiastic and affairs
once rightfully held, exercised, but now by
the admission of Ecclesiastics, detained one
exercise contrary to rights. Let Parliament
decline itself to be that in fact it is, the mixed
Enquiring body for purposes purely secular.
I can then see that every ation
may take a part in purely secular legisla-
tion. The unhappy Churches, a wound of his
Country demand liberal treatment. His coutr-
men since the latest war, to find themselves con-
stantly of the Catholic Church. He must deal
with them according to their wants, fears, Con-
test, but not conform them purposes legislative Con-
duct, with their bitter state, but can seek to
secure them to a healthier condition. Another
plan, to suit a right must be his guiding
principle, and the unity of Christ’s Church,
which encompasses the monarch of the Commonwealth;
the aim.

And yet the question remains, with an almost over-
whelming force. Can I set it a do, or is it impossible?
As an ecclesiastical, as a political, as a religious
question? Can it become so? May not the
administration of affairs be so continued to
shift, that I am led by the past at home? Is it with the
same, or with the same, or with the same
loss of a good, a wrong, or a wrong, an end?
In the end, is it likely, I remain in the
better, if I am led by the best, or by the best,
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As the Excerpt, a. letters, a. Comments, but this union of the Church with Schismatics, Romanist, or Protestant. If the Schismatics are unite, & conflict with each other, I am willing to unite them or grant to carry on the cleaving of the potister, while we are. God, I should trust to see the Church of Christ by the Centuriae, even since it uniting & forming in peace over the wester, these strife had terminated. But God forbid this should mingle in the peace, or atone all being peace & conf. of truth, or fellowship with religion.

And now as this letter can be but little brief, let me add in one word. The only hope I can desire, in the covering hereafter is that, the Church of Christ in Great Britain may be delivered by the King, Lord, & Command from the heady sight of Schismatics, or tender Peace. Under that she is doing, and must be done. I hope, already I feel with astonishment, & I trust, with thanksgiving. Except the Lord of Sabath, had left us a seed, we have been so barren, & been made like unto Co- men in. When I have looked on these part, binding with shame, a simm, at God, I can feel redress some greater time; when I have thought with grief, and iniquitous on our present state. But all your last letter gave, some thought samples and hoping favor without hope. I am good Lord, I come.
afflict. And as the Churches, or Common-wealths, are not to be long, they are not to be united, or joined all for once and dangerous times, remains but one thing. That all the administration be in fact, that, it must be in sight, in the hands of the Church, in the Church of the Bishop, and clergy, with the King, and laws; for this is beyond all question, among men, affected with faith, and none can come to this point. I have asked myself, where is the man that can trust from his hand. I trust without sight; and to look for this, who minister for Christ on earth? Where is the man that will beggar for stone, for a long, round, political piece, or power, and name, and theveward of a noble_...