

lency to trouble you with The Parishinors in General being furnished with these Sentiments, they determined and directed us as their Representatives to enter into a litigation of these points and the more ready to bring this dispute on that we should shut the Church doors and refuse M^r Rosse any admittance in any of them which request we agreed to comply with and should have put in Execution had M^r Rosse offered himself to us, but we afterwards understood that M^r Rosse being acquainted with the resentment the people shewed to him on this occasion and their determined resolutions of contesting with him, that he never offered himself to us but made application to your Excellency to resign his Induction. The next alarm that reached our Ears was that M^r Hughs had obtained an Induction which soon aded. fuwell to the fire kindled through M^r Rosse the people knowing that M^r Hughs had been some time as a probationer in a neighbouring Parish, and were acquainted that he had been there long enough to inform them, that from his conduct the little time he was there and from the character they had received of him from sundry Gentlemen from the Northward to whom he was well known, that our case if possible was worse then before yet as M^r Hughs was not personally known to the parishioners, upon his appearing among us we as the Vestry determined to use him a Gentleman and do him any good natured Act in our power, except that of giving up what we thought was our right, and that on his notice to us we met him at the Parish Church, when we informed him the resolution the people came in on the case of M^r Rosse we let him know as the Parishinors were unacquainted with his coming we thought it our duty to give them notice and to receive their aprobatation as to the receiving or rejecting of him, and proposed that he should fix a day of meeting that might be convenient to him, and we accordingly fixed a day for that purpose, it was further proposed to him that in case he would give up his Induction to your Exellency and come into the Parish under an appointment of your Exellency as a Reader and continue a reasonable time on tryal if he should render himself agreeable to the People, then we would apply to your Exellency in his favour for an Induction and also pray your Exellency to aproprate to him the Salery for such time as he should so act which last proposition he like an Honest Man rejected yet at the same time expressed his Satisfaction in contending for what we thought was our Right and said we were highly comendable in Contending and at the same time informed us that he should imediately return to the place of his Abode, but contrary to our expectation the friday after this Conversation being Christmas day, he forcibly broke and entered the