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In order to satisfy ourselves & ^{readers} ~~the community~~, we have
taken some pains to procure from the Records, a copy
of the following Memorial to the late General Assembly
& report of the Committee of the House of Delegates
thereon, it being a subject which has excited ~~considerable~~
~~all the conversation & interest~~ of late, particularly in those
who ^{are well wishers to} ~~have~~ the Cause of Religion & ^{the} prosperity of the sev-
eral different religious societies ~~interested~~ — we are
fully aware of the injurious effect that will be pro-
duced by the establishment of a principle of their na-
ture & every denomination of Christians will be more
or less affected by it if given way to — & we are
astonished to find that it has taken its rise in a Soci-
ety heretofore distinguished for their liberality of sen-
timents & charitable disposition to promote the spread-
ing of the precepts of the Gospel, not only amongst them-
selves but fellow beings generally —

Then I trust Memorial &c