

- 11 R C D Jasper (ed.), The Daily Office revised, with other prayers and services (London: SPCK, 1978), pp. 11-13.
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Amongst the varied attacks on the Society by its enemies in the early days was the charge that the movement involved a violation of ordination vows because it assumed a departure from "uniformity of worship established by the Revolution Settlement" .

At the Annual Meeting on 25 May 1876 Dr Story returned fire: "If anyone looks into the question at all, he will see that at the time of the Revolution settlement there was nothing like what they could call uniformity of Presbyterian worship. As far as there was any general uniformity of worship, it had been departed from ages before. In those days the minister wore no gown and no bands. He never read the Scriptures without the accompaniment of a long lecture. The congregation sat during prayers, and the men put on their hats during sermon. Now, if any man or set of men charges me, because I am interested in the improvement of the public worship of the Church of Scotland, with violating my ordination vows, in ignorance of these facts, they should not make such an allegation; and if they are aware of these facts, I would say, as Mr Disraeli said of a certain statement in the House of Commons on a recent occasion, I can find in my vocabulary no epithet to describe such a charge, but if I were to try and find one, I would say that such a charge, by whomsoever brought forward, was a charge whose unprincipled insolence was only equalled by its fatuous stupidity."

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