

Parsee.

Places his hand on the Zend-Avesta and repeats the words of the Oath after the Officer.

I swear that the evidence I shall give shall be the truth, by God, God Omnipresent, and God Omnipotent, the God Almighty.

In a case where a copy of the Zend-Avesta was not procurable, the oath was administered to a Parsee while he held a holy cord wound round his body. This form he declared to be binding upon his conscience, and was therefore sufficient within the meaning of the Oaths Act, 1838, and see ante, p. 47, and post, p. 112.