

formed into a separate Congregation, unconnected with, and independent of, St. John's Church or its Minister—which was done.

At the Meeting of the Presbytery of Montreal, held in the month of February (1847) following, a memorial was accordingly presented, of which the following is the substance. That the memorialists were firmly attached to the principles of the Free Church, and to the doctrines set forth in her subordinate standards, that they were persuaded that there was ample room for the establishment of a second Congregation, adhering to these principles, that by reference to the census the number of Presbyterians was estimated at about 2,500, and that there was only accommodation in Quebec for about 1,400, leaving the remaining number unprovided for. That there were a great many, attached to the great principles for which the Presbyterian Church in Scotland, and in this Province, have been contending, and to which they have given their testimony, but who have either remained in connection with the establishment or have gone to other Churches, and who, the memorialists were convinced, would attach themselves to a second Church were it organized, whilst at the same time provision could also be made for the numerous seamen who frequent this Port during the summer months. That the formation of another Congregation would be the means under the Blessing of Almighty God, of making up these deficiencies and of disseminating more widely the principles of the Free Church, for which such great sacrifices have been made not long since, and would build up and edify those who believe. The Memorialists then set forth their prayer, that the Presbytery would take their Memorial into consideration, and adopt such measures as were necessary for the organization of a second Free Presbyterian Congregation in Quebec. The following was the de-