

was forcibly exhibited by one of the Montreal Editors, whom you threatened to prosecute for defamation, but wisely forbore doing so. The whole work, in the opinion of people on this side of the Atlantic, was insipid misrepresentation, and to prove this condemnatory sentence I need only point out the ungrateful description which you so jeeringly gave of hospitality bestowed on yourself and family by a Clergyman at the Pentland Firth.

I will not trespass on the time of the reader, by giving a detail of all the particular instances, wherein your overbearing and malicious disposition has been exercised to the annoyance of your neighbours and congregation; for the subject is quite proverbial among them, and while they live, they cannot forget how often from the Pulpit you have forgotten the solemnities of the day, and at the close of the Service indulged in vituperation and invective ill becoming a Minister of the Gospel, and altogether unseemly in a place of public worship. On one occasion so violent were your passions, that you sat down without desiring the people to join in praising God; on another, when quarrelling with retiring Elders, you violently threatened to leave the settlement, if they did not furnish you with certain reasons. These are but a few of numerous violations of the Sabbath, which you have publicly committed, and which compel others to think, that you ought to cast the beam out of your own eye, before you attempt, with such violence, to pluck the mote from your brother's. However as I have little inclination to follow you through all the disputes in which you have been involved, or to do more than notice your indulgence in tale-bearing, and receiving the kitchen tattle of the whole neighbourhood, I will pass over to a recent period, when your restless spirit was again brought into dishonourable action: I mean the wrath you manifested when you heard that some respectable persons saw fit to propose a Subscription for the support of a Clergyman of the Church of Scotland. Are you not aware that a very large portion of the Presbyterians of Bathurst and Drummond, in consequence of your unpleasant temper and tyrannical conduct, are dissatisfied with your ministrations, and earnestly desire the labours of another Clergyman, and do you think it is your duty to oppose, in the manner you do, so reasonable an anxiety? especially as their contributions, in no shape whatever, can interfere with your living, and when it is notorious, that the Presbyterian cause is daily suffering material injury for want of an active Minister to preach in the remote parts of the District, which you are perfectly sensible are never favoured with the services of a Clergyman at that persuasion. The Episcopalian and Methodist ministers are actively employed in every part of the Settlement, and the numerous Presbyterian proselytes who are said to have joined their standard, point out the strongest censure on your clerical labours, confined as they generally are to a sermon in the village once a week. True you have of late gone a few miles into the country, where there is little occasion for any one, as the people are within reach of the Church. But in vindication of your strenuous exertions to prevent the spread of Presbyterianism in this neighbourhood, let the public know how often you have preached beyond eight miles from home during the last five years, and name the different places.

The only reasonable objection which I have ever been able to discover