

to which triumphant appeal is made by the Messrs. Ryerson to establish the opposite assertion! Indeed, when this pretension was put forth during the deliberations on the union, which took place at the late Conference in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Dr. Bunting arose, evidently under the influence of inexpressible emotions of wonder and sorrow at the utterance of such a sentiment; and declared his distinct recollection of the Rev. E. Ryerson's having specially urged the great desirableness of the union on the ground of the pecuniary inability of the Upper Canada Conference to maintain its Missions. No consideration was more likely, as Mr. Ryerson well knew, to overcome the objections that existed in the minds of some Members of our Missionary Committee to the union, than the prospect of thus at once alleviating the embarrassments of their Canadian Brethren, and being enabled to carry on their Missionary operations in Upper Canada on a more extended scale, as well as with greater facilities and efficiency; and hence the touching appeals with which Mr. Ryerson pressed this view upon their attention and sympathies, *when* it was adapted to subserve his *design*. But now that *another* object is to be attained, every pains is taken to evince that the resources of the Canadian Conference were amply commensurate with all demands upon its benevolent exertions.

Although quite sufficient, we apprehend, has been said upon this matter, to satisfy every mind, as to the real circumstances of the Canadian Connexion, when they sought a Union with the British, and of the grand motive which obtained the acquiescence of the latter in the measure, yet as *an oath for confirmation is an end of all strife*, it may be proper here to quote from the Rev. Egerton Ryerson's *own lips*, this species of attestation in confirmation of the view to which we have deemed it necessary to invite special attention. In a pamphlet lying before us, being a Report of the Trial of the Belleville Chapel Case, "with Notes and Remarks by E. Ryerson," we find the *sworn testimony* of that gentleman, of which the following is an extract:

"In 1832, the Wesleyan Missionary Committee in London, sent out the Rev. Mr. Alder, as their representative and agent, with a view to the appointment of Missionaries among the British emigrants in various parts of this Province. Mr. Alder had communication from the Committee in London to our Missionary Board in Toronto, which he delivered—communicating to the Board, at the same time, the