

Again, the derogatory epithets, which were used by laymen against clergymen, are faithfully recorded ; but no allusion is made to the strong expressions which were previously employed by clergymen against laymen. The Bishop himself, in a pamphlet has extolled in no measured terms the superior temper which was displayed by the clergy at the aforesaid June meeting. "A quarrel," says his lordship, "requires two parties ; the unequalled meekness of the clergy enabled them to endure without reply the taunts of the laity." Now, a very short time after the mixed meeting at the school-house, a meeting of the clergy took place to take measures for supporting their privileges, &c. At this meeting a clergyman was so fiercely assailed and abused that he was compelled to leave the room in which the meeting was held, and was actually leaving the house, when he was laid hold of and pulled back into the room by some of his clerical brethren, who justly dreaded the scandal which would ensue should any news of this untoward affair reach the ears of the people. As there were no laymen present at the meeting, at which this dispute took place, no blame can reasonably attach to the laity ; the most bigoted partizan must also admit that in this affair the clergy alone were at fault.*

The secret journey of the Bishop to Toronto, and the ignoring of the existence of many of the best friends which the church has had in this diocese, naturally created a feeling of indignation, and demonstrated in the clearest manner the necessity of a body like the Lay Association.

* In a note of the 'Review' it is insinuated that an attempt is made to set the clergy all wrong with their flocks, because the "learned and eloquent Dr. Falloon" is stated to have said what he did really say. I have made careful enquiries with regard to this matter, and I could bring forty or fifty highly respectable witnesses to prove that the "learned and eloquent doctor" did utter words to the effect that "the people in his parish always thought as he did."