

day of the year, much fatigued in body, and not a little disappointed, it may be readily supposed, at the desolate appearance of the country. But a new and more severe trial awaited him. He was informed that Governor Simcoe had returned to England, and that the intention of establishing the projected College had been for the present abandoned. Indeed the prospect of being able to carry out such an undertaking seemed very remote, as the country was justly considered to be too new, and the population too thin. Leaving his native country, full of the hope of honourable and abundant employment; arriving in a strange place and inclement climate at the worst period of the year; finding the reasonable expectations he had formed completely blighted, and thrown completely on his own resources, we can conceive that the lonely position in which Mr. Strachan now found himself placed, was sufficient to try the fortitude of any ordinary mind. His firm and active spirit, however, enabled him to combat these difficulties, and subdue this disappointment; accordingly we find him making an arrangement with the Honourable Richard Cartwright to instruct his sons and a select number of pupils during three years, and if at the expiration of that period the country did not present a reasonable prospect of advancement, he might return to Scotland. A strong attachment speedily sprung up between the parties. Mr. Cartwright was a man of great capacity and intelligence, of strict honour and integrity; moreover he was a sincere Churchman from conviction, having read much on this as well as most other subjects of importance. A similarity of feeling and pursuit tended to confirm and strengthen their mutual regard, and this ripened into a warm friendship, which continued without the slightest change or abatement, till death sepa-

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