

bers having invested nearly their all in the churches they built ; and now they are turned out of them to face the winter's cold, having no place to meet in. What grieves our people most is being thus deprived, *in many places*, of preaching altogether, the pulpits of the ejected Scotch ministers being occupied by three-year old scholars from Queen's College, whose crude prattlings about Universalism and Geology form a poor substitute for sound Scotch sermons.

Ministers must leave their once pleasant homes, and deliver up the keys of kirk and manse to strangers. Great hardships are felt where there are families, from the difficulty of obtaining shelter. During my visit among our people in the Lower and Upper Provinces, I received many harrassing details of the sufferings endured by our ejected ministers, the most painful of which is the case of one on the St. Lawrence. Unable to meet the exorbitant law expense of \$1,600, incurred in Chancery courts in vainly defending his kirk from the unionists he, with his wife and nine children, the youngest only one day old, was turned out of his poor manse by the sheriff's officers. As it was the depth of winter, the snow deep, and the cold tremendous, the poor victims of "Union" persecution must have perished on the road-side but for the Christian kindness of some Roman Catholic farmers, who took them to their homes and provided them with food and shelter.

The tyranny of the "Presbyterian Union Acts" will be evident from the very power they give to unionists to seize even private property, if it be at all connected with manse or kirk. Great hardships are felt in consequence. Everything, in short, from church lands and property, down to communion service, and even the books of the Sabbath scholars, everything must be delivered up to those who never paid a cent for anything !

Missionary and charitable schemes are stopped ; Church services and Sabbath schools broken up ; aged men almost brought to the grave with sorrow at losing the kirk, and the young children asking when the Sabbath schools of their beloved kirk would be opened again. Sighing and lamentation are over the whole land. Our Zion is sad and disconsolate ; her children shedding many tears, like the pious captives by Babel's streams, who hanged their harps on the willows and wept when they remembered Zion.

London, Williamstown, Bayfield, Dalhousie, &c., are instances of the manner in which the Church of Scotland is persecuted by *her traitor-sons*. In the first, the Scotch Church, by an overwhelming majority, decided three times to remain true to the Kirk of Scotland, and even by the oppressive Mowat Act, was therefore entitled to hold its property. What follows ? The persecuting Union-party raise a Chancery suit against the