

the second Adam, who is able and willing to save to the uttermost, all those (not the righteous, but the lost) that will come to God through him : that is, in through the gate at the head of the way, not by any by-path, nor any green, or crooked lane of our own choosing, for we can never enter the celestial city that way. That it may please the Lord to pour down the spirit of grace and supplication, on both ministers and hearers, to enable them to perform their respective duties to the glory of God, and the good of poor souls, and to be the means in the hand of the Spirit, to bring sinners from darkness unto light, and from the power of Satan unto God, is the prayer of your unworthy servant.

JOHN MUNRO.

Grafton, 20th November, 1866.

P.S.—Any one that will take this to himself, is the very one I address. But, I may be wrong in this, for it is often the case that the most guilty is the most stubborn to believe and see his fault and error. But the object of this is to insist that the preachers of the Gospel endeavour to make their discourses as *plain as possible, short and fruitful*, for we are by nature deaf as an adder, blind as a mole, and our understanding as dark as pitch ; therefore, it would be well that you would stir up the gift that is in you, and look to Him for the blessing, and make yourselves (like Paul) all things to all men in order to be the means of saving some.

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To the Editor of the Record.

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