

Record of a letter being sent to the church by a trustee, not then a member of the church, intended to influence the conduct of the Church in reference to the choice of a pastor whom they had assembled to elect, and whom they did elect:—that same book records that the same trustees did dismiss the pastor and his church, amounting to some scores of members, from the chapel, because three of the members of the church, *two of them trustees*, chose to have another minister and to raise another Church; I am informed, too, that within these few last years one of the trustees, not a member of the Church, used to meet with you at its meetings, and speak and vote, till the determined opposition of one or two brethren succeeded in obtaining his absence; and whether the Trustees and their influence did or did not expel the last pastor, we shall see in a few minutes.

The second remarkable thing told about these trustees in this Report, is, "so soon as they (the Trustees) were informed of the wish of the Church to have the trust altered and enlarged, and the building made over to it, so as to have the Chapel recognized in all time coming as the property of the Baptist Church, they immediately assented, on condition, that with the trust, the Church also assume the liabilities; and they have individually, both within the Church and out of it, expressed a strong desire to have it so." *Of this statement I demand the proof.* I claim the production of a document which shall shew that all the Trustees have in any way whatever consented to any such arrangement; I demand the evidence that on the payment of the debts owing, the Trustees will so secure the Chapel to the Church and congregation worshipping in it. Nay, my dear Sir, do not evade the point; Lawyers like those composing the majority of the Trustees, know well that some evidence fit to produce in a court of law or equity ought to exist in a matter of such importance as this. Where is that document? Till it be produced, though you may send back the Report again and again,\* that so the trustees may stand clear in this matter, neither the Baptist Churches of this Province, nor the public

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\*Some amusement has been created in the city, by a fact, which somehow or other oozed out, that the Report as first presented by the Committee was not satisfactory to the Trustees present, and that it was sent back that it might more clearly exculpate those gentlemen. After some considerable difficulty, it is said, they agreed to present it as it now stands. No small attempts, however, are still made to explain away some of its statements.