

treatment of you personally in past correspondence, that the worthy and influential minister was not mistaken (which, in charity, I hoped he was) when he stated that you told him I held a doctrine as foreign to my views as the Red Sea is distant from the Grand River which runs past your door in Brantford. Silence, you know, is sometimes as full of meaning as speech. To me it is so on the present occasion. And I must let it be known, not only to some, but to many, for the sake of my own standing as a follower of my Lord, that you have spoken what is absolutely and unqualifiedly untrue in respect to my religious views. Whether or not you knew it to be untrue is another question—a question which I cannot take upon me to decide, but would rather think so than otherwise that your statement was made before receiving my last epistle in 1850, which answered one of your own questions on the subject so pointedly.

My impression is that were I to solicit the Brother Baptist minister to permit me to use his name in this important affair, he would most gladly consent, though it would not be relished by yourself; but neither Christian law nor the law of social expediency calls for it. I referred to my authority in general terms for asking the question, that you might not consider it based upon a fancy, a report, or something worse, impertinency. But the question itself, according to my best judgment, needs no name to entitle it to an answer, but my own. I will, then, once more, courteously, put the query, Did you ever, to any one, intend to make the impression that D. Oliphant was or is a Unitarian?

Charitably, yours.

D. OLIPHANT.

Cobourg, 12th September, 1852.

This brought a lengthy response marked "*Private*," which, of course, we cannot present to our readers. We are however at liberty to announce that he affirms that he never, to his recollection, represented myself as a Unitarian, while he may have spoken of some others in general as leaning to that doctrine. If Mr. Davidson should allow this to meet his eye, he must be distinctly informed that the Disciples as a people are wholly free from Unitarianism.—All the *isms*, indeed, are slightly esteemed and of little worth in our religious market.

D. O.

AN EPISTLE FROM A. P. JONES.

Williamsville, N. Y., Nov. 14th, 1852.

DEAR BROTHER OLIPHANT.—After a long silence, I have concluded to again break the seal and trouble you with the note of a few thoughts, incidents, and reflections. Somewhat of this world, both of its good and its ill, I have been permitted to experience since I saw you and yours. I have not been able to labor but a small part of the time for one year past. But it is not comely to repine. Truth gains slowly but steadily in this region. Though there is a large work to be done here before there will be a complete triumph of the truth.