

conclusion that the Metropolitan has entirely failed in his endeavour to ruin the character of a man so long and so well known on both sides of the Atlantic for the energy and zeal with which he has laboured in the cause of Christ. We are glad to say that this opinion is shared in by the public generally, if we may judge by the comments that appear from time to time in the press in all parts of the country. The only explanation we can give of the Metropolitan's conduct is, that he was so completely blinded by prejudice and personal animosity against the Archdeacon, that he resolved to injure him in public opinion at all hazards; and, failing to find in the long period of twelve years any facts that would justify the slightest attack on his character, he has had recourse to a series of insinuations that prove nothing except the unchristian spirit of him who advanced them.

"We are truly sorry for the sake of the Church that this controversy has ever arisen, but as the Metropolitan has been the aggressor, and that with the view of crushing the object of his ill-will by the influence of his high position, we consider it a public duty to speak in a plain and unmistakable language, as the advocate of justice, without reference to the position of the parties involved.

"We recommend our readers to peruse carefully the respective pamphlets of the Metropolitan and Dr. Hellmuth. They will easily see that the language of the latter contrasts most favourably with that of the Metropolitan. The Doctor's style is calm and dignified, although he wrote under the severest provocation that a Christian man could be called upon to endure. It will also be observed that the Metropolitan, in his anxiety to retreat from the position he assumed in his first letter, has dragged in both the Bishops of Huron and Quebec into the controversy in his second pastoral, by denying the accuracy of statements made by both these prelates concerning the controversy. Altogether, we think the Metropolitan has placed himself in a most unenviable position in the eyes of the public, and, in our opinion, the only wise course there now remains open for him, however humiliating that course may be, is to come forward at once, and publicly retract the aspersions he has tried to cast on a well-tried and honoured Minister of the Gospel."

But the most satisfactory document which has reached us is the Charge of the Bishop of Huron, from which we copy the following extract:—

"Last year, Dr. Hellmuth, who had long been known in Canada as General Superintendent of the Colonial and Continental Church Society in British North America, was compelled by ill-health to resign his connection with that Society and to go to England. I gladly availed myself of the opportunity of appointing him as my Commissary in the United Kingdom, to solicit aid for the erection of a School of Theology in the diocese; and having appointed him Archdeacon of Huron and assistant minister in the