

questions relating to the Reserves, in such manner as may be most advantageous and acceptable to the people of the Province. Under these circumstances it does not appear very reasonable or correct to clamour, as many have done, against the Executive Government, for not carrying into effect various schemes for the adjustment of this question, which the Law gave them no authority to carry into effect.

With respect to the lands granted to the Church of England, I can hardly imagine that any intelligent Members of our Church could begrudge them, or seriously desire to see the Sister Church deprived of them. Instead of indulging in these unworthy feelings let us ask for similar endowments for our own Church, leaving it to other denominations who may desire such support to make their own applications, but allowing none to mix up their claims or their wishes with ours. I will venture to say, that such a request on our part, under the auspices of our present Lieutenant Governor, will be attended with the happiest results, and will hereafter leave us no room to complain of any undue preference shewn to the Church of England. Sir George Arthur has already shown his good will to our Church, by providing for the support of its Ministers in Vandiemen's Land; and in the midst of the difficulties by which he is surrounded, it would be both unjust and ungenerous to withhold from him our cordial support, because he has not, during his short administration, effected for us all the good that we desire.

I have been led on from step to step, till the length of my letter far exceeds what I at first intended. I do not know that it can afford you much information or explanation, but if it fails in these respects, it will at all events serve to show, that if the opinions which I have formed are entitled to any weight, I have no desire to conceal them from the Members of the Church to which I am proud to belong.

I am,

My dear Sir,

Very truly Yours,

ARCHIBALD McLEAN.