

quantity of type was 1s. 3d. currency, while in New York it was 1s. 5d. Mr. Brown, however, who was about to become the champion of freedom in religious matters in Canada, and to facilitate the entire emancipation of the people from what he termed "priestly tyranny," made up his mind not to allow, if he could prevent it, any freedom whatever on the part of those who should work for him. As a first step, he proposed that those who worked in his liberal establishment should be paid 5s. per week less than those working in other Printing offices—the consequence of which was, that the men "conspired" (to use Mr. B's expression) against him, and quitted his employment. To supply their places, inducements of an advance in pay were held out to boys who were engaged as apprentices in other offices—but who were not indentured—to desert and join his office. Four lads from city, and two from country offices, were by this means allured from their legitimate masters, and led to enrol themselves under the *Banner* of Mr. Brown, so that he was enabled to continue the publication of his paper. But this did not last long. Mr. Brown's irregular and imprudent manner of conducting his business led to confusion in his Printing office, and occasioned much of the work to be performed after night—the boys getting home at one, two and three o'clock in the morning. They were soon laid up with sickness; and, to save their own lives, had to leave Mr. Brown to the mercy of the conspirators—the workmen.

The journeymen finding that Mr. B. was attempting to deprive them of a portion of their just dues, and that he was unscrupulous enough to stoop to any scheme that was at all likely to serve his unprincipled purpose, met together and decided upon making their situation known to the community. This they considered to be the more necessary as Mr. B. had denounced them as a rebellious and disaffected body. They therefore stated the matter in a short way, and published the following document:—