

they are rushing blindfolded on their own destruction. Are they so pig-headed as not to see that we voluntaries gain everything by Union, while they lose everything? And after we are united we will make them feel that we are their masters. The truth is, though we now profess great attachment to those Kirkmen who betray their Kirk, *we despise them in our heart*. I tell you this in frankness. Are they so stupid as not to see that we retain everything unchanged, only vastly increased, while everything of the Established Kirk with its principles is extinguished? We triumph—they yield. On our side it is aggrandisement—on their's annihilation!" Seeing then that the Union-cry is the death-warrant of the Church of Scotland with all her glorious principles for which your fathers bled and died, will ye, O treacherous men, listen to it! By forming that wicked union with our foes you only increase them, and do your best to annihilate the Church of the Martyrs and Covenanters; you promote not union, but disunion from the Church of Scotland; you sin in the sight of God who hates all schism; you grieve good men by your dishonorable conduct; you forswear yourselves by breaking your solemn ordination vows; you belie your principles as upholders of an Established and a National Church; you strengthen the hands of her enemies, madly seeking her destruction, and would place her neck beneath the heel of the destroyer; you offend all true subjects of the Crown by destroying the Loyal Kirk and fostering disloyal schismatics; you weaken the Church at home by lopping a branch from it; you do an unconstitutional, an unlawful act—an unkind and ungrateful act, what is unnational, unpatriotic; you break faith with the people of Scotland who gave their money only to promote the Kirk; you break faith with the people in Canada who gave subscriptions for the same purpose; you wrong those preachers coming from Scotland on the faith of being settled in Scotch Kirks here; you injure the Protestant cause in America by throwing down the great bulwark of Protestantism; you injure the best interests of Canada materially and spiritually; you injure civil and religious freedom; you cast a slur on the Church of your fathers; you make her the derision of subjects that are not worthy to be set with the dogs of her flock; you say in effect, that those who have heaped upon her abuse of every kind did well; that all the opprobrious language of their protest was right and proper; that their charge, that you denied the Headship of Christ, was just and true; you endorse their charge, that the Church of Scotland was in fact not a Church, and yourselves not ministers of Christ at all! You brand with shame and dishonor, not only your own names, but the names of all her great and good men who have done so much to evangelize the world; you teach the young to disrespect their Kirk as they do their parents in America; you teach the whole community to be covenant-breakers and false in their dealings, (for if ministers deal falsely with their Kirk, how can they expect the public to be faithful in their worldly matters?); you make yourselves robbers, for robbing the Kirk, and swindling her out of her property either *with* or *without* law, is one and the same crime in the sight of God; you aggrandize *some* ministers at the expense of ruining *others*, for where two congregations are "united," one minister is cast adrift without a situation; you act contrary to the wish of the people who have been entrapped into "Union" against their will; you outrage the feelings of those faithful to the Kirk; you are creating discord, disunion, and division over the whole Dominion; unsettling the rights of property, distracting and disturbing congregations, and shattering the whole edifice of the Church of Scotland. Of that Church you are the betrayers and murderers; you have, in fact, in every Province (while exalting her