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THE REV. DR. PICKARD is a descendant of a race celebrated for their enlightened and Scriptural views of "pure religion;" and firmly attached to liberty and human rights, ready to defend both,—the first by Divine authority, taught and sanctioned by the Word of God, and by that standard alone; and if the sacred precincts of the second were invaded by supposed "Divine rights," they hesitated not to leave all other employments, and battle for "God and liberty."

His home was Fredericton, New Brunswick, where his father, Thomas Pickard, Esq., was for a long time a respected and successful merchant, and a very useful class-leader. His mother was a Burpee from Sheffield, where the late Rev. Wm. Ryerson was born. This community has always been distinguished for the strictest morality, the result of Presbyterian and Methodist teachings and influences; for laborious industry, and the warmest hospitality; and for Christian unity and Christian effort;—presenting examples worthy of universal imitation. Whoever heard of the Burpees and the Pickards listened to names with which the attributes of virtue and honour were always connected.