

an ill preparation of the stony ground of the human heart for the good seed of the Word. And, much as I would rejoice to hear that Sabbath schools, and district prayer-meetings, if properly conducted, were established and well attended, I would more rejoice to hear it said of the entire mass of the population, that they walked together in the unity of the Spirit and the bonds of peace—not boastful, vain-glorious, uncharitable, with the expressions of mock humility on their lips. Such cant fills the soul with loathing; and I must confess that, after the language which Dr. M'Gilvray has used, and the spirit he has displayed in his letter, I read his closing confessions of humility, and ascriptions of praise, with unmitigated disgust.

I am, Sir, your most obedient and humble servant,

N. M. I. L.

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