

ful to evince our gratitude, by holy and devoted lives. The old divines were wont to say, that thanksgiving is good, but thanksgiving is better. If we are grateful to God, we shall love Him; and if we love Him, we shall keep His commandments. Let us therefore, abstain from the appearance of evil. Let us live soberly and righteously, and godly; and in all things, adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour, by a conversation becoming the gospel. Finally, let us honour the Lord with our substance, and with the firstfruits of all our increase. "He that hath pity on the poor, lendeth to the Lord." The cause of Jesus Christ also requires our support; let us piously devote to it, a portion of our time, our talents, our influence, and our worldly substance; and to all, let us add our fervent prayers, that our Father's kingdom may come, and His will be done on earth as in heaven. So let us praise the Lord for His goodness, and His wonderful works to the children of men.

Surely we have reason to acknowledge and deplore that hitherto, our gratitude has not been proportioned to the benefits received, nor been adequately and satisfactorily expressed. Let us repent, and pray for forgiveness; and while humbly resolving on amendment, let us never forget the indispensable need of Divine grace. May God, therefore, graciously pour on us, His good and Holy Spirit. And while desiring to be fervently grateful for temporal mercies, let spiritual and heavenly blessings call forth the warmest emotions of our souls. Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift. T.

EXPLANATIONS RESPECTING THE HEADSHIP OF CHRIST.

To the Editor of the Canadian U. P. Magazine.

SIR,—I should be sorry to obtrude upon your readers a subject on which, perhaps, many of them think they have heard enough already, but the topic is so important in itself, and lies so near the foundation of the Union question, that I hope I may be permitted to say a few words additional respecting it, chiefly in the way of explanation.

No person has a more sincere veneration for Dr. Ferrier than I have, and I believe few are better qualified than he, to instruct and guide us, on this somewhat difficult and intricate subject. I have read his papers in the Magazine with great attention and pleasure; and, in the main, I concur in his views. Nevertheless, I beg, with the greatest respect, to advert to one or two things about which I cannot entirely agree with him. There are some points on which I do not very clearly understand him, and that may go far to account for the difference of opinion which I apprehend. I must say, however, I suspect the Doctor makes admissions which fairly lead to consequences for which he is not prepared, and which persons of