

To MESSRS. JAMES B. KINNEY, W. H. MOODY, Esquires ;  
HON. L. E. BAKER, and T. M. LEWIS, and FREE-  
MAN DENNIS, Esquires :

*Gentlemen—*

ON the 7th day of October, 1875, you were pleased to state your approval of a manuscript History of the County of Yarmouth, which I had put into your hands and into the hands of G. J. Farish, M. D., and Joseph B. Bond, M. D., since deceased, for critical examination; and the concluding words of your approval are these: "All statements of fact have been carefully verified; and we believe the whole to be an accurate and impartial history of the County."

Within the last few months a volume has been published, entitled "Yarmouth, Nova Scotia: A Sequel to Campbell's History." In the Preface the author substantially declares that the errors he had found in the said "Campbell's History" were so numerous that he had concluded it to be his duty to publish a Book (page 5); and in chapter ii., page 26, he cheerfully declares that I shall not have any reason to complain that he has not given sufficient prominence in his criticism to these errors.

This is, so far, honest and straightforward; and all who know the author of the SEQUEL will not need to be told that he would enter on his labour with zeal, and that he would execute it with vigour and acuteness.

The promised volume was published in September last; and judging from the press notices that there was much personal animus about the work, and knowing the man well, I determined that, beyond the publication of the following letter, I would take no notice of the book: