

case, continue to slumber and fold our hands, and not open our mouths or move our feet, until the late *fire of war* kindled in Canada, and upon Niagara's banks and its awful brink, and ready to be rekindled in Texas and among the Indians and Slaves, and by numerous mobs all over our land shall rapidly extend, and stain every part of the earth, and dye the seas with floods of human blood ?

#### A CHANGE OF POSITION MERELY, CANNOT CLOSE THE DOOR.

If we may presume that those men will escape from Navy Island before any thing can be done to *restore peace*, yet if they, or others, remain in arms against Great Britain, or the United States, will not the door still be open for restoring peace and establishing the true *rights and liberties of man* upon permanent principles of peace, under the heavenly Prince of eternal peace and glory ?

#### RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PEACE BY MEANS OF TRUE CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS.

Who will presume to say that *righteousness* and *peace* cannot prevail upon the earth, when all the *true followers* and *thoroughly made willing volunteers* of the Prince of peace, arise at his command and stand up, and go forth in *faith*, with the *sword* of the *spirit of God*, the *eternal word of God*, in their hands and hearts and upon their tongues—making them more wise than serpents and more harmless than doves ?

#### CHRISTIANS IN FAITH AND THE POWER OF GOD.

Would not twelve righteous men, "*full of the Holy Ghost* and of *faith*" in "*Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God*," do more towards *restoring peace, reforming Canada*, and greatly improving our own country, than twelve hundred, or twelve thousand common soldiers, under ambitious, proud, self-conceited and willful officers ?

#### THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST THE WORD OF GOD.

Could *twenty thousand copies* of the *gospel of Christ* be distributed by such men, upon the banks of the Niagara, the shores of Lakes Huron, Erie and Ontario, and down the banks of the St. Lawrence to the ocean, would it not be productive of much greater and infinitely more useful reforms, peaceably, than could be effected by twenty thousand soldiers armed with the instruments of death ?

Do not these things require the immediate, candid and serious attention of all the *friends of peace and humanity*, and of all men every where ?

#### CLOSE.

Let us consider, and deliberate and act wisely and prudently, but promptly and as efficiently as possible—always without fear of man, and ever in the fear of God, and for the best good of all men.

#### A FRIEND OF PEACE.

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