

tising account, including letters, notices, commentaries and so forth)—and you would have attained the same respect as the former Commissioners enjoy, for merit will be found out, if there be any; and if we have it not, newspapers will not confer it.

At this coquetting with the Press I was contented to laugh with others, till you touched on forbidden ground, and made every effort to thwart the Church in acquiring the management of her own property; and by your diligence in disseminating your letters, to raise a party against her; and what is still worse, to prejudice the Legislature and the public against her reasonable claim. To prevent these evils, as far as was in my power, I thought it my duty to address you on the great impropriety of such proceedings; but I have no personal feeling against you; and were you to confine yourself strictly to your proper avocations as Commissioner of the Canada Company, and to a plain and honest course of dealing, in the sale of your lands, you would soon stand much higher than you do now, although you would hear much less about it. But in this case you must give up all underhand working through the newspapers, and tampering with Members of the Legislature. Such manœuvring will neither do you nor the Company