

for a case exactly in point, they might inquire whether the church of Mr. John Campbell of Kingsland was scattered by his going twice to Africa? I have not heard that he has had to look out, on his return, for a new situation. Nay, I would think that any church, embued with the spirit of true Christian philanthropy, would feel the flame of love burn much stronger in their breasts to their pastor for his offering to go and distribute a portion of heavenly provision to them for whom nothing is prepared.

Perhaps I shall be told, there are plenty of young preachers: let these go. I would say, these generally do not answer so well. The sermons of such often glitter so much with the fire-edge of the college, that they do not answer to be delivered to a set of uninformed people; besides, they cannot preach often enough. Could not every presbytery in the Lowlands of Scotland, both in the establishment and among the dissenters, spare a preacher to go for a limited time upon such a mission as this, and fill their pulpits pretty regularly in their absence? There is nothing to be afraid of. The climate is healthy, and the people are hospitable; and I hope they would receive them as the messengers of the Lord of Hosts. But where shall Gaelic preachers be had? I would say, Wherever they can be got, regardless of the name they are called by, if they follow Christ, and are likely to preach his gospel. And if none can be spared at home, there is one upon the island, a very acceptable preacher among his countrymen: send him some help, to encourage him to itinerate more extensively. There are also some students attending the Academy at Pictou, who, I was told, would soon be ready to preach, and are able to speak the Gaelic. They might be engaged for a while to itinerate among the Highlanders there, when they are finished with