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In my observations hitherto, I have been perfectly undenominational. The whole argument has regarded all the "other churches," of the Province; whose cause I have advocated in common with that of our own. It will, I am persuaded, be conceded to me, in conclusion, that I should have the privilege of attempting an act of instice to the assailed principles of my own jostly beloved and venerated British Wesleyan Chunch,

In penning my original remonstrance, nothing upon earth was more alien from my original wish than to make even the most distant allusion, to my own particular denomination of Christian people, But since, to serve his party, your Theological friend has brought them out before the public, in an impotent attempt to do them dishonour; and since he sarcastically anticipates, to use his own words, "projected essays upon Methodism," in consequence; I will devote my remaining space to that subject. Far am I from being so ill-disposed, as to deary him any pleasure, which, even by possibility may arise, from a cordial compliance with his friendly antici-

Your clerical correspondent is incapable of concealing the emnity of his heart towards, as he expresses it, the Methodists of "the British Con-NEXION." He designates us, "Sectarian"—
"Schismatical"——" Religionists"——" Traders"! Unlovely bitternesses these, flowing from, what the Prayer-book terms, from the Greek, the "phronema sarkos," of an unsanctified nature.

The term "Sectarian" is an ancient epithet of ecclesiastical opprobrium, with which the intolerant of the Established Churches of the parent country were formerly wont to degrade other religious bodies, as contradistinguished from "Churches established by Law." Of late years, however, the scornful appellation has become of exceedingly infrequent use; even on the other side of the Atlantie! Better feelings have prevailed in those Established Churches; and those who have not participated in that amelioration of sentiment, have yet considered it the most probable method of still preserving their exclusive privileges, to abstain from offensively reproaching the less favoured communities: seeing that they might, probably, be even provoked into some species of retaliation, with regard to those valued and vaunted points of superlative superiority. Should a Church "vaunt" itself, however, on its

peculiarities, it should be rather in relation to its excellencies than its privileges-on the souls it converts to God, and the benefits it confers on the country, rather than on the revenues it receives, and the immunities it possesses. The latter may excite envy; only the former can command admiration !

The Wesleyan Church, in the parent land; though herself what is termed a Voluntary Establishment; and supported alone by the contributions of those who love her; has from the beginning defended the principle of the public support of religion, by the Prioces and Rulers of the earth; and has truly rejoiced in the improving condition of those Churches of the Empire, which have been "ESTABLISHED BY LAW." On that point she has no controversy with them; and BEARS THEM NO GRUDGE!

The two establishments of our father-land are, however, perfectly local in their pretensions of superiority, on account of that circumstance in their constitution. The "dominant" jurisdiction of the PRESBYTERIAN, is confined to "Scotland;" and that of the Episcopalian, to "England, and Ireland, and Berwick-upon-Treed." In any other region of the British Empire, they lose their accident of being "established by law;" and become each, in the etymological and inoffensive sense of the word, as truly and really a SECT, as any other body of Christians may be! I am sorry to be obliged to say even this much, in our own defence, to the M'Gill College and Montreal Caurier party. Should that party, however, not have the wisdom to take a more conciliating attitude, with respect to their fellow-citizens of other churches, there are others who, having no Wesleyan affinities, may say still more to them on the subject; not only in English and Latin, but also in "nther tongues." ful are the wounds of a friend !"

" Sectarians," let us be. The Wesleyans will feel themselves in sufficiently good company with the better-disposed members of that venerable church, which has been disgraced by this out-of-place disparagement of her fellow-Christians, on the part of her would-be-deemed champion! The occasion may be an apology for the mention of a few facts, bearing upon our ecclesiastical history in this

country.

Our CONNEXIONAL CHURCH was first introduced into Canada, by individuals attached to the victorious army of the immortal Wolfe! They held their first clurch meetings in Quebec, BEFORE any Protestant Minister of any Church had been appointed for any part of this Province! For some years they were supplied with respectable ministers from the United States. Three of these, all hon-onred with the degree of Doctor in Divinity, still survive, in an honourable age.

Buitish Missionaries of our order, were sent ont at the request of some influential Canadian citizens, at a time when, probably, the number of English Clergynen did not exceed a DOZEN !

Subsequently, our Wesleyan Church received the honour of an application, from the venerable and revered Chown of our Empire, to encrease the number of its Missionaries in Canada; with a special reference to the Aboriginal Indians. That I !! we might not be deterred by the prospect of additional expense; to which our own funds might be unequal; the flattering offer of a handsome Government Graid was made to us. I need not say that the appreciated application was, on the part, of our Missionary Committee in England, most promptly met by a loyal and ready compliance?

In the days of GEORGE TUB FOURTH, SICH WAS the public confidence in the principles of the religious community, to which Dr. Falloon and his party bear so deadly a hatred, as that THE PARLIAMENT of this Province passed an Act, (and which received the Royal sanction,) to invest with cherical privileges