

For instance, you say—

*"But how could you be so infatuated as to suppose that the Scotchmen of Canada would give a cordial support to an administration which had Mr. Draper at the head of it."*

While every one in Toronto knows, but yourself, that the Scotchmen of Canada agreed with Lord Sydenham's opinion on this point, and that they supported the administration of his Lordship, most cordially though it contained not only Mr. Draper but also Mr. Sullivan, a politician much more objectionable to them from his even greater inconsistency, and from his foolish habit of sneering at every thing *Scotch* on all occasions. When Lord Sydenham (on great promises being made by some of Mr. Baldwin's friends and relations that they would not attend any more "agitation" meetings) agreed to take Mr. Baldwin into office (in a situation subordinate to Mr. Draper, the then Attorney General) many, even liberal men, honestly objected to Mr. Baldwin's *personal safety*, influenced as they knew him to be by a "cabal" (as Mr. Sullivan used to call it) in Toronto and the fourth riding of York. They said "they could not *conscientiously* support Mr. Baldwin." "I don't ask you," replied Lord Sydenham, "to trust *individually* any member of my Council; I ask you to support my administration *as a whole*, and on the ground of our Executive acts and Legislative measures *as a Government*."

As then the members of the new government of Sir Charles Metcalfe will not be permitted by his Excellency to enter his Council (this is the Governor General's and the Home Government's *unalterable resolution*) except on the principles of the fullest responsibility of the Executive Councillors to the House of Assembly, and with the knowledge that the new College Bill will be introduced into Parliament as a Government measure early in the ensuing session, the Scotch population in Canada will on THEIR PRINCIPLES (and nevertheless any efforts of the *Banner*), *they themselves not being office-seekers*, support Sir Charles Metcalfe's government, let the Councillors be who they may, while our countrymen retain their present unbounded confidence in the head of the government. I trust and feel sure that so dark a day for these Provinces will never come, as will find 200,000 Presbyterians forgetting their *national* principles and becoming the tools of any Provincial party whatever. Independent Scotchmen, at all events, will never give their support to an Executive Council whose members could be charged with behaving as Mr. Baldwin has done in the late Government, not understanding, or not acting on his conviction that, it was *his right as the Representative of the Colonists at the Council Board*, to be advised with on every matter affecting their interests, and his solemn duty to retire from the Council when not consulted.

Nor will any consideration (not even a separate endowment for Presbyterians) induce Scotchmen to support at the hustings, the adherents of any administration which is not PUBLICLY AND UNEQUIVOCALLY pledged to throw open the advantages of King's College to all denominations of Christians equally.

They of course object, as *Scotchmen*, to the present unjust exclusion of Presbyterianism from the incalculable advantages of the munificent Provincial endowment of King's College; but they object still more, as *Britons true*, to the danger to "*connexion with the land of our fathers*," which so exclusive an institution must gradually precipitate.