

Case supposed. A staunch advocate. No fault to find. Official disownment. Editorial Summing-up.

It is true, that the writer afterwards says that it was taken from the *Cobourg Star*; then, we ask, why were not the words "*Cobourg Star*" attached to it, instead of the word "*Courier*?" The object is evident—it would not have suited Mr. Harvard's purpose.

Now, in case our readers should have forgotten the circumstance, we will tell them that the paragraph about Mr. Kent, which has "given so much offence" to Mr. Harvard, was taken out of the *Cobourg Star*, and was inserted in our journal without note or comment, just as we insert hundreds of paragraphs from other papers, without considering ourselves in any way responsible for the particular views or opinions which such articles may convey.

Mr. Harvard, however, chose to think otherwise, and addressed us a letter, commenting in very strong and unmeasured terms upon the words imputed to Mr. Kent. This letter, which was a direct attack upon Mr. Kent's "honesty and veracity," we, very improperly, gave insertion to in our journal—and we likewise gave it without note or comment. We ought to have rejected the letter, and to have referred the writer of it to the Editor of the *Cobourg Star*, who had approved of the expressions attributed to Mr. Kent.

Dr. Falloon, who was absent from town when Mr. Harvard's first letter appeared in the *Courier*, chose to reply to this letter, and we gave insertion to his communication without hesitation, as we had done to that of Mr. Harvard. To this Mr. Harvard wrote a rejoinder, which we also gave a place to in our columns; determining at the same time [yet, without so declaring,] that we would insert no further letters on the subject from either party.

This, however, did not satisfy Mr. H., his object seemed to be to write himself into notice, and he had the weakness to suppose that a paper which was to a certain extent IDENTIFIED WITH THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, and a staunch advocate of Church principles, would lend itself to attacks upon individual ministers and members of that Church, if not upon the Church itself.

Finding that we would not encourage this kind of discussion, Mr. H. went to the *Herald*, and there succeeded in his object, much to his own satisfaction, if not to the satisfaction of the readers generally of that paper.

We have no fault to find with our contemporary for taking up so much of his space with Mr. Harvard's effusions. If his readers are satisfied, we have no right to complain—all we have to say is, that the readers of the "*Courier*" would not have thanked us, had we adopted the same course. And even now, we doubt whether they would not have been better pleased, had we allowed Mr. Harvard's communications to pass entirely unnoticed.

No. 20. To the Reader. MORNING AND MONTREAL COURIERS AND CHURCH INTELLIGENCER.

"A paper to a certain extent IDENTIFIED WITH the Church of England."—*Couriers*.

Respecting the above "*papers*," it may be remarked:

Firstly; That a public journal, not less than a private individual, is justly to be held responsible for all its avowed statements of facts, if given without

any disclaimer; and that, too, whether they may be original or selected.

Secondly; That a RESPECTABLE public journal, will ever be ready to correct any inaccuracy attaching to its avowed statements of facts, and to apologize for any culminating personalities, to which it may inadvertently have given circulation.

Thirdly; That "a paper," professing to be "to a certain extent identified with the Church of England," ought to be conducted, at least, with as much regard to truth and courtesy, as may be expected to characterize a purely secular journal.

Fourthly; That those "*papers*" have neither attempted to prove the truth of their original offensive statement, nor offered any apology for its publication by them.

Fifthly; That they have not evinced the respectability to express any regret for, or disavowal of, what the courteous Editor of the *Herald* so correctly pronounces to be, "the unprovoked public attacks, which appeared in their columns;" and which alone occasioned this Correspondence.

Sixthly; That they have sustained their Theological Professor in his degrading classification of all the other churches of the Province, but their own, on the same level with that of "*Mormonism*!"

Seventhly; That though these journalists have been bold enough, (and "*honest*" enough withal,) to state that they are "to a certain extent identified with the Church of England;" yet, as it will be seen, that the Church of England PUBLICLY REFUSES to be—"identified with" THEM!

The venerable Episcopal head of that Church in Eastern Canada, has most explicitly forbidden their being thus "identified," and desires "not to be regarded as having any sort of connection WHATSOEVER," with these "staunch advocates of CHURCH PRINCIPLES!"

Lastly; That, at this conjuncture, such official disownment of these parties, may be regarded as at least presumptive evidence, that, in this matter, the Lord Bishop does not consider, that either they or their McGill Theological Professor, have reflected any real credit, either upon his Lordship's venerable Church, or upon their own disreputable and virulent SELVES.

No. 21. From the Montreal Herald.

"A paper, to a certain extent, IDENTIFIED WITH THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND!"—*Courier*.

"We have been requested to state, upon the best authority, in order to correct misapprehensions that still prevail on this point, that the Lord BISHOP of MONTREAL is not to be regarded as having any sort of connection whatever with any portion of the periodical press of this Province, or as lending to ANY NEWSPAPER any kind of official or semi-official character."

No. 22. From the Montreal Herald. EDITORIAL SUMMING-UP.

In another column will be found a letter from the Rev. W. M. Harvard to the Editor of this journal, in which our correspondent recapitulates the facts and circumstances connected with the somewhat prolonged communications, addressed to the Editor of the *Courier*, which have, from time to time, appeared in the *Herald*.

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