

ries of public Acts of permanent effect, such as the foundation, in all perpetuity of a Cathedral at Quebec, "invested with all honours, dignities, pre-eminences and distinctions of right belonging to an Episcopal Seat and Cathedral Church," the erection of Parishes, the division of the Diocese into Archdeaconries, the formation of Corporations of the Clergy of that Church, for the management of the Reserves :— That viewed in connection with all this, it surely ought not to excite surprise, or dissatisfaction, or to be regarded otherwise than as the natural and obvious consequence of the order of things established in the Country, that the University in Upper Canada, while it extends the unrestricted and unconditional benefits of Education to all Christian denominations, should be governed, and conducted by members of the Church of England :— That the Reserves, according to the fairest computation which can be made of what they are likely to yield, will be far from constituting an immoderate provision for such a body of Clergy of the Church of England, as the wants of the people (if she is freely encouraged to take root) will absolutely require :— That hitherto all the means, which she has had at her disposal, have been lamentably short of the demand for her Clergy on the part of the people :— That the establishment consists at present, in its infancy, of 67 Clergymen, with which number the gross amount of labour performed is something more than commensurate, and we hope that the fruit returned is in proportion :— That at this moment there are large congregations of her professed adherents whom she cannot supply :— That experience has most amply warranted a belief, that others who are not regularly provided with Pastors, would cordially have conformed to her, if she could have furnished them :— That the services of her Clergy, very generally, are diffused over a wide surface of country :— That although some of her congregations are therefore small, they will be found to belong to Shepherds, who have not few, though scattered Sheep, within their charge :— That certainly the most considerable Protestant congregations known within this Diocese are of the Church of England, and that her disciples, as we are disposed to believe, outnumber those of any other single Protestant Society :— That there have been repeated and most encouraging examples of the coalition with her children of various other branches of the family of Christ :— That without entering into any question of the comparative merits of different systems, it must be delightful to every reflecting and well constituted mind to see these differences merge in one :— That the persons who have just joined our ranks, are no traitors or hypocrites :— but men who have acted a wise, candid and commendable part, which no pretence can be made that their subsequent conduct has belied :— That unity and combination of resource must plainly, and most essentially contribute to the prosperity and vital strength of Religion :— That division is always a waste of the means for building up Religion, and, if principles are not compromised, it is worth some sacrifice of habits and prepossessions to avoid it :— That considerable numbers of the religious teachers themselves of other persuasions within this Diocese, have from time to time offered to transfer their service to the Church of England, and not a few of these have been approved, and enlisted under her banners :— where they so acquit themselves as would do no discredit to any cause :— That if these Ministers were to be regarded, as they are often represented, in the light of interested apostates, and it were a reflection upon the Church of England to accept them, it would at least :— (and this without adverting to the cases of those who have been rejected) :— be a mutual reflection, and carry reproach upon the community in whose bosom they were bred :— That at this moment, in the very crisis of the excitement and jealousy which unhappily exists :— in the very midst of those loud appeals which are made to party or to national feelings, and those sedulous endeavours which are used to cast odium upon the Church of England :— in the very height of those anticipations which predict the downfall of our Zion from her eminence, and the full communication of equal privileges to others :— overtures of the nature just described continue to be received from quarters of confessed respectability in both Provinces :— That where so great a facility of coalition appears to exist on the part

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