

aspired to an influence," (happily he *attained* it) "and practised an interference" at meetings graced by the presence of the Royal Dukes, and the greatest dignitaries of the Church of England. This would have been "forward and imprudent zeal" had *you* been present! The late pastor of that Church was not a man of equal powers, but was distinguished as an elegant preacher, and though he died at the early age of thirty-nine, he lived long enough to secure the respect and esteem of all ranks in the Metropolis, and the most intimate and cordial friendship of the Prince Regent of the Empire! And yet (who would have thought it) these men were only *Presbyterian Dissenting Teachers* belonging to the *Kirk*. Be it known to *you*, and to all whom it may concern, that I *myself* was in London not many years ago, attended Public Meetings, went to great *dinners* (most profane carousals!) at which the *Princes of the Blood Royal* presided, and (most amazing!) Bishops and Archbishops, *Archdeacons* and even *Rectors* were of the parties, not forgetting Nobility and Gentry of all denominations; and (still more wonderful!) though I was not in *full orders*, I was never introduced as the *Presbyterian Dissenting Teacher* from the North, but as a Clergyman of the Church of Scotland (perhaps these offensive words *as by Law Established* were not added in all cases,) but so it was, that in *no one* instance was my right to that designation called in question. You may perhaps think that miracles had not *then* ceased, but I can assure you that the Sun has scarcely completed her fourth annual Revolution since all these things took place. But they may be all explained on natural principles. London is not in *New-Brunswick*, and the Royal Dukes are not *Scotch Episcopalians*.

You seem to have a dreadful antipathy to the word *Dissenter*, and you cannot see on what principle the epithet can be applied to the Episcopalians of Scotland more than to us in New-Brunswick, or what connection their case could have with the design and duties of the Eldership. The truth is, I wished to crowd within the compass of 32 pages as much information as possible concerning ecclesiastical affairs in Scotland.

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