

two of the three traitor ministers have left the Island; clearly they did not profit by their treachery. Including above twenty Gaelic congregations, which, to a man, refused to join the "Union," those who have remained faithful to the Church of Scotland in the Island, are at least seven times more numerous than those who deserted her. In Nova Scotia, twelve large congregations, or *two thirds* of all our congregations there, remain true to the Kirk, and taking the Maritime Synod, in general, about *three-fourths* of our ministers and people remain faithful to her.* In Halifax, St. John, Fredericton, Woodstock, Richmond, Wallace, and other places, I met with many warm friends of the Kirk, who told me there were large numbers in these places, and over New Brunswick and Nova Scotia equally attached to her, but in great distress at losing their churches. In the Upper Provinces, between Montreal and Hamilton, I visited about thirty small Scotch congregations which had lost their church properties, and were left as sheep without shepherds by their treacherous "Union" guides, and some of them met to worship together in wooden barns and log-houses. A few were afraid even to do this, in consequence of the "Union" penal Acts in force against Church of Scotland people. At Laprairie, the scene of my first labours in America, the people still held the Scotch Church, in which I preached to a number of my old people, though many, alas, had passed away; but it was feared the unionists would seize it. At Lachine, across the St. Lawrence, I found the Scotch Church also in mourning, a "Union" minister from Montreal having undermined the venerable and highly-esteemed Scotch minister, slyly getting the names of his people under pretence of continuing him in his charge, and, in the basest manner, using these falsely-obtained names to eject him therefrom, and steal his church. At Montreal, the Unionists have also used every means to undermine our Church and missions in that City,† but there the Scottish Church is too powerful for her opponents, embracing, as it does, a Presbytery, and holding the largest and most influential congregation, and being supported by the wealthiest men, in the Dominion. The Scottish Church also keeps her ground, and is numerously attended throughout our Presbyteries of Glengarry and Hamilton, as far west as London, in which city a large Scotch congregation has been formed since the "Union." At Beechridge, south of Montreal, I learned with pleasure that the Gaelic congregation there stands true to the Kirk, under the faithful ministrations of their much-esteemed minister, the Rev. Mr. McDonald, who informed me that in other neighbouring districts are also many attached to the Scotch Church. At Perth, the people had secured the Town

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