

With reference to my use of the word "vibrating," the following quotation from Davis's "Life of the Rev. Harris Harding," page 15, will show how I came to use that term. Mr. Davis says of Mr. Harding, "Abandoning his occupation as a teacher, he went from meeting to meeting among the "Methodists, and New Lights, as the case might be." I will not yield to the author of the SEQUEL in my admiration or respect for the memory of the Rev. Harris Harding; and he will not, by this kind of reference, succeed in his covert attempt at creating ill-feeling between the Baptists and myself, any more than in the case of the Presbyterians. Neither will he succeed in the case of the Congregationalists, where my reference to the Tabernacle, to all but a caviller, is easily understood. A well-meaning man would not be "*puzzled*," as the author of the SEQUEL is, but would have seen from the context that my obvious meaning was that, at the time it was built, the Tabernacle, in my opinion, was the most correctly detailed ecclesiastical structure in the Province. The reader will note that it is not I, but the author of the SEQUEL who makes the invidious allusion to "Dissenters."

Upon page 439, I am accused of intentionally corrupting the inscription on the monument of Herbert Huntington. I assure you, gentleman, the charge is false; but in correcting the proof, the fact had evidently escaped my notice that the compositor had set up "*singular*" instead of "*signal*."

There are several criticisms utterly unworthy of any attention, but one on page 83 deserves passing notice. The common expression, "tackled it up," is applied by me to the harnessing of a horse, and then attaching the horse to a carriage, although the horse was unmentioned. I readily admit that the phrase may be challenged as being imperfect; but it may also be defended as a recognized form and manner of contraction in ordinary use, by common consent, for greater convenience. For instance, who would seriously object to such colloquial phrases as the following, which we read and hear daily: "He was driving a carriage;" "He drove the lady six miles," and "The coachman drove his master and mistress to the park"?