

" at the time that the names of a mover and seconder were not inscribed upon it, and intimating his wish that some gentleman would take it. The Rev. Dr. Alley immediately complied, and moved that the thanks of the meeting be given to the members of the Executive Committee and Officers of the Society, and that they be requested to continue in office."

Then for the first time appeared symptoms of opposition, and an amendment to the effect " that the Officers should be individually nominated and elected," was carried " after a warm discussion."

I would here beg the reader to observe that the Resolution thus attacked had been considered so much a matter of course, or so hastily prepared, that no pains had been taken to secure a mover or seconder for it. It was left, as it were, to take its chance; and Dr. Alley, of St. Andrews, took it up in courtesy to the Bishop's request. Yet Dr. Bayard, in the face of this fact, which he himself records, unblushingly asserts (page 26), " I think there would be no difficulty in proving that the 'packed party' pre-occupied the platform, inasmuch as many of the gentlemen accompanied His Lordship from Fredericton, took precedence in the addresses, and *were supplied beforehand, by His Lordship, with some 'packed resolutions,' the last of which* was unpacked by an overwhelming majority of the members present, as it manifested the *predetermination of the Bishop to have his own way in the election of officers.*"

What a base and unfounded imputation! Well might His Lordship make the exclamation, which he did, " more in sorrow than in anger,"—" *How suspicious you are!*"

But I shall not content myself here with a bald exclamation, however expressive of the surprise and disgust with which I read this page (26) of Dr. Bayard's pamphlet. I shall shew that this passage about "packing" and "unpacking," which, I doubt not, he thought vastly fine and vastly witty when he wrote it, contains a *succession of mis-statements*, more numerous than were ever before compressed into so small a compass, save in a work *professedly of fiction*. 1st: Says the Doctor, " Many gentlemen accompanied His Lordship from Fredericton." This is untrue. His Lordship came *alone*; and I was informed by him, that he did not even know who composed the Local Committee appointed to come down to the meeting. 2dly: " *Many gentlemen*" came, says the Doctor. How many? Just *three*, viz.: the Rev. Mr. Ketchum, Judge Street, and Mr. F. W. Hatheway, who, with Mr. J. A. Street, then attending the Circuit Court at St. John, comprised the