

Situated, as Canada is, alongside of the United States, we know that Republicanism will, at times, become an alarming element among us, and that its power here is to be dreaded just in the proportion that wrong or illiberal principles, exclusiveness or Toryism, are fostered and increased in the colony; and we believe that, left in its present unpopular Episcopal state, King's College is little better than a hot-bed and nursery of provincial Toryism; and provincial Toryism we have always found, both in Upper and Lower Canada, just as *impatient* of British control, and just as anti-British in its views of its peculiar interests, and the prescriptive importance of its individuals, as is the Republicanism of either province, although the members of the former faction have certainly this in common with us (which the Republicans have not), that in the hour of the country's need, they have stood with us in support of the British principles.

Your ignorant self-sufficiency on the above subject, is of a piece with that which the *Banner* has so often committed. Take, for example, the *Banner's* notice of the School Bill.

*Any one* of your friends could have told you the experience of Upper Canada, that the absence of a proper common school system, and of *British* or provincial schoolmasters and school books, had introduced American teachers and American school books into the province to an alarming extent, prior to 1837; and that, in fact, the baneful influence of these had been a main instrument in exciting in the country a spirit of rebellion against every thing British.

So much was this the case, that even the late Executive *did not dare* to propose by their School bill, that Americans should be eligible, *according to law*, as teachers, after January, 1846; yet the *Banner* must needs take upon itself to object to the exclusion of American teachers!

Let me tell you, Sir, that an interested and intelligent public will judge you *by your acts*, and not by your *words*; and that if you, in such a way as I have stated, or by unprincipled opposition to Sir Charles Metcalfe, for your own personal objects, with the members of an extreme political faction, or if in any other way you can be shown to be practically promoting Republican views, among the Presbyterian population of Canada, your well written tirades against speculative Republicanism, as you found it in the neighbouring Republic (although from that country you will persist in still borrowing so many of your views), will fall as idly on the public ear, as did Mr. Baldwin's *professions* of devotion to the cause of "the connexion with England" (see his speech, at two different parts, at the Toronto demonstration).

No *words* that Mr. Baldwin can use, will ever make up for his want of *acting* in defence of the British Government, in the hour of its need, (although he held at the time a Captain's Commission in the Militia) so no professions or lip-loyalty of yours, will prevent people judging you by such Republican tendencies as you have evinced, in your remarks to which I have just alluded, and in the countenance and assistance you give to a Republican faction, in its attempt to coerce and misrepresent to the Presbyterian population, the representative of her Majesty in this colony.

Your making the Governor General, or your more humble political opponents, appear to your readers to disadvantage (and, imperfect as all men are, it requires no great talent to be a good fault-finder), does not and never can prove to the public, that you or Mr. Baldwin have any