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MONTREAL, Friday, Sept. 20, 1844.

Letter from the

Colonial

Committee.

intelligence, integrity, and Christian feeling; and it affords us sincere pleasure to know that your opponents have not succeeded in their endeavour to separate you from a church which has ever taken a lively interest in all that concerns your welfare.

We could wish that those who boast so much of Christian freedom would allow others to enjoy the Christian liberty they claim for themselves, and that you were left undisturbed to prosecute the important work to which you have been called, by disseminating among your people the glad tidings of the gospel. It is our confident hope, as it is our earnest prayer, that the Master whom you serve may support you under all your trials, and direct you in the path which He himself will approve, so that all events, however seemingly adverse, may be overruled for promoting His own glory and the good of those that love Him.

Knowing well the peculiar difficulties with which you are encompassed, we beg to repeat the expression of our sympathy with you in all your trials, and to renew the assurance we have given, that you shall have all the assistance at our command, in whatever way and at whatever time it can be rendered.

Signed in name and by appointment of the Acting Colonial Committee of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, by

(Signed) THOMAS CLARK, Sub-Convener.

The Synod agreed to record the high satisfaction with which they have received this kind and affectionate letter of the General Assembly's Colonial Committee, feeling, in present circumstances, the importance, to this church, of the ample recognition, therein contained, of the spiritual independence of this court, and duly appreciating the affectionate and Christian temper which the whole communication manifests. And the Synod do further declare the deep interest which they must ever take in the well-being of the Church of Scotland, and their earnest desire that all its divisions may be healed,—that every thing in its condition or its administration fitted to impair its usefulness and efficiency may be removed,—and that the time may speedily come when the national church shall embrace the whole population of our beloved country.

Record of the Synod's sentiments anent the letter.

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