

induced the people here to start a school in which a better system could be introduced and teachers trained. The trustees wrote to Bishop Fulford, asking him to recommend a fit person. He and Dr. Bond (now Bishop) recommended me. The greater part of my life since has been spent here. Of it I will say nothing. What I have done is well known. I never saw mural map, globes, blackboard in a school until I used them myself, and I was the first to use them in this country. As to religious influences, I was under Methodist influence, and Methodist till 1843, I knew nothing of any other (that is my own experience). Circumstances not necessary to tell (only that it was malignant misrepresentation by persons long since forgiven and long since dead) led me to leave the Methodists. My feelings are now, and have ever been, as kindly as they were when I was pressed to enter the ministry,—I was thus pressed. Thank God, I have many friends among them and other dissenting bodies.

"I come now to speak of a thing which has for some years been a matter of grateful thought. The prospect before me was gloomy. I was hopelessly in arrears as to the pension fund. I told my fear to none but God. That was enough. Some seven years ago (I cannot remember the date), the Revds. Wm. Naylor, A. Grier, C. Boyd, J. Newnham, Robert Lindsay, David Lindsay, John Ker and C. Rogers, met at Synod, in Montreal, and considered my case. They enlisted the services of some members of Parliament (Wm. J. Poupore and Mr. Owens are the only ones whose names I know), of Rev. Mr. Rexford and others, brought a powerful pressure on the Department, raised the necessary funds and secured my pension. It was done before I knew it. When told, I could only say, 'I have been studying words for many years, and thought I knew something of them, but now I have none.' Mr. Naylor's kind answer was, 'Words are not needed.'

"Were I to name all my friends to whom I am under obligation, I should name half the people in Litchfield, Clarendon, Thorne, Leslie, Bristol and Onslow. An old man's blessing will do them no harm, and I refer them to Numbers vi., 4, 24-26, and 1st Thess. v., 23. And those friends are among clergy and laity of all the Protestant denominations, and Catholics also.

"I was urged by the Rev. Dr. Carroll and others to write a volume of recollections and began to prepare it. Giving my leisure for some months to teaching a teacher, made me give it up, and it will not likely be written. I have written this with wet eyes. God bless you, dear friends. Farewell!"