

It is seldom we take the liberty of publishing private letters addressed to us. But that the friends and enemies of our publication may know the reception that it meets in other places, we have trespassed on the confidence of our brother so far as to give a part of his letter to our readers. While the *Christian* has such friends, we fear not any want of patronage. We shall feel ourselves much gratified, as well as obliged to Br. Bryden, when he finds time to furnish the proposed communication.—ED.

LIVERPOOL, (Q. C.) N. S., JULY 6, 1840.

*My dear Brother Eaton,*—There is some no small gratification in addressing you as above—as one who, in the course of providence, is set for the advancement and defence of the truth—the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, as it is revealed to mankind in the word of God. Who that fears, loves, and obeys God, is there that would not be willing to comply with the terms of the “*The Christian* ;” devoted as it is to the restoration of the people of God to the full enjoyment of their heirship. Many, very many, who profess themselves heirs of all that is heavenly, are not willing to obey God and the Saviour, according to the word of God, are not willing that the *Christian* should be circulated, such are not willing that the ancient simplicity of the Christians, in all their acts of obedience, should be pressed home upon their attention. I have found this to be the case in these parts ; yea, the ultimatum of all their joys and hopes, are not what was done 1800 years ago ; but, “*I FEEL*, and because *I feel* as others have *felt*, I’m not only saved, but never can be lost. A crown of glory awaits me, for I have *felt*—yes, I have *felt* my sins forgiven ; my soul washed in the blood of the Redeemer, and he never will forsake me—never will leave me.” But touch them with the two-edged sword, and they shrink, they dodge, they leave you ; they fly from you as from a serpent, and traduce you with epithets that a *genteel unbeliever* would not disgrace himself with using. This may seem harsh, but it is true, and I lament it ; would that it were otherwise.

But I have not written that which I intended, and I do not know that I can at present. At some future period, not far distant, if spared, I shall give you an exact account of the state of this County with respect to religious matters, for your own personal knowledge. In the mean time I have only to say to you, that there is not a Church in this county established and acting upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, having Jesus as their chief corner stone ; disallowed indeed of men, in this place, but chosen of God. “*The Christian*” had but a very limited circulation in these parts the past year, and I do not know that I can warrant it any other this year ; but an effort shall be made. I am happy that brethren Howard and Doyle have agreed to travel through the province for this year ; and do think that if one or the other could make a stay in this county for a month something good would be done. There have been, and are, some enquiries, “when