

must be a pistol—every personality is likely to involve powder—the slightest slip of the pen or tongue may be followed by a shot—and the best intended “oral and written utterances of the Bishop” may be rewarded with percussion caps and ball cartridges.

Under the circumstances, it may be our duty, like the first and last Napoleon, to wear secret armor. To be forewarned, according to the old adage, is to be forearmed. As for ourselves, if the threat is carried out and actual hostilities are henceforth to be the order, we shall, in addition to barricades and armor, always keep two bull dogs, with the squarest chops and shortest tails, lying at the door, and with these precautions we shall be in a position to say to Dr. Carroll and his fellow warriors, Walk in.

We earnestly trust, however, that in the future there will be wisdom and piety enough in these two branches of Canadian Methodism to prevent all unseemly wrangling and strife, and that all in each of them will be consecrated to the work of promoting “Scriptural holiness in this land.” Soon the noise and smoke of battle shall have passed away, and the active participants in the strife shall have gone to their final reckoning with God. Then may there come down upon a united Methodism in Canada the fullness of the blessings of peace and of power from God.

There is room enough in this Dominion for all of us ; the fields are white unto the harvest, the motives for increased activity are rapidly multiplying each year. God wants both more laborers and more devotion to the work. Methodism has a fine field to cultivate in this Dominion : we challenge our Canada Methodist brethren to earnest toil and heroic deeds for Christ and His cause. Let us strive to make men not sectaries, but Christians ; not to win them to us and our