

them intolerant because they are unwilling tamely to give up their legal rights into the hands of their avowed enemies. I hope that this calumny, which is evidently employed to intimidate, will not prevent them from *firmly* resisting the illegal claims now set up; and if they resist, the great body of the people will support them. If the Clergy have any thing to spare from the reserves, let them give it to endow a college. This will make them exceedingly popular in Canada—conciliate all parties except the Kirk Clergy, confer a most substantial benefit upon the *rising* and *future* generations—and raise an imperishable monument which will triumphantly refute the malicious, unjust, and illiberal charge of *greediness* and *intolerance*.

With the merits of the Kirk Clergy in Scotland the natives of Canada are unacquainted, and the number of the Clergy of that communion here is so very small that they are but little known except in a few places—but from the little we know of them we do not think that they are the men who are likely to produce the great religious revolution predicted by the gentleman. Among the neutrals they may do wonders, that is, where they can find them; but they are not very numerous, the people in general having already adopted some religious creed and form of worship. The Independants are very numerous, and notwithstanding the similarity of their creed and form of worship to the Scotch church, have a rooted aversion to Scotch Presbytery. The Methodists, whose congregations are, in both Provinces, in proportion to the Kirk, at least as thirty to one, are the avowed enemies of Calvinism, and love Scotch Presbytery nothing better than the Independants love it. The Quakers, Baptists, Lutherans, &c. hold out to Scotch Presbytery no very flattering hopes of success. But the Fanatics—ah, my Lord, I really fear that the Scotch Clergy will not find it an easy task to bring them over to their purpose; they are, in fact, made of rather unmalable stuff: at all events it will require better talents and a more conciliating spirit than the letter to your Lordship displays, to make good Kirkmen out of such materials. I should have as much hope of producing pleasing sensations in the mind of a