

enquiry I made in my letter of the 26th, yet it is but right that I shall give you my explanations which will show that there was no 'want of sincerity.'

"Dean Grasett asked for my opinion as to whether you were not the very man to fill the post made vacant by the death of the late Professor Halpin, and after the Dean had given his views, without any reference to character or literary qualifications, for as to them I felt that there could be no difference of opinion, I said, Mr. Dean, there is one requisite which for that office underlies everything else, *a man of thorough Evangelical views*. Do you think that his views are thoroughly Evangelical? because, I said, so far as I can see, he has never in any prominent way identified himself with Evangelical views amongst us, and I have been told that he has expressed himself more favourable to the *Dominion Churchman* than to the *Evangelical Churchman*; but, I said, I will tell you what I know myself, and then I told him what occurred on the train, and told him exactly what you said (I did not understand that it was any way jocular), viz., that Mr. Lampman was in Woodstock canvassing for the *Dominion Churchman*, and that you gave him a long list of the names of parties (stretching out your hand as shewing a long list) for him to call upon, and Mr. John Beard, who was sitting with us, said 'he tried to get me to give up the *Evangelical Churchman* and take the *Dominion Churchman*.'

"I said to the Dean, do you think that shews him to be a man of thorough Evangelical views?

"Remember that we were talking with reference to a duty we had to perform—the filling up of an office which required as a *sine qua non* 'that the occupant should be a man of thorough Evangelical views, and surely it was no proof of want of sincerity on my part, under the circumstances, to answer the dean as I did when he asked my opinion, but I should have been wanting in my duty to him, and to the College, if I had acted otherwise; it was what it was my duty to do in respect to *any person* whose name would be brought forward in the same way. Dr. Schulte's qualifications were discussed publicly and privately before he was appointed, and it was quite right; and in making the remark I did to the Dean when asked by him about you, *in reference to the vacant chair in Huron College*, I did not intend any personal reflections on you, nor to act