

rightful owners and given the Seminary proprietary rights, then, on every principle of justice, the general government is bound to repay to the Indians their full value, or to cause the Government of Quebec to do so; and if this injustice proceeds from any direct action of the Imperial Government, its liability should be enforced by every possible means.

With reference to each and all of these measures, every friend of civil and religious liberty can and should aid, not merely by contributing to the necessary fund for the defence of the Indians, but by bringing to bear upon the Government such a force of public opinion as shall make it imperative to have justice done, at whatever expense of indignation on the part of the ecclesiastics who wield so disastrous a sway in Quebec, but whose power, owing to this and other acts of injustice and impolicy, may even now be reaching a critical point, whence, if resisted with spirit and energy, its fall may be rapid and terrible. Let every one who may receive this statement consider, as before God, the searcher of hearts, how he may help the good cause of liberty and justice.



AS IT IS.