

and himself had in honourable remembrance, we heartily wish that it may prove a means of repairing the waste places and strengthening the walls of our Zion, of giving to the youth of Quebec city, and neighborhood, an enlightened education, and of exercising over them a Christian influence.

Any train of thought adapted to produce honesty of heart, fervor in prayer, integrity in all the relations of life, confidence in God, deadness to the world, and a life of faith and divine communion, a hold upon eternal realities, is that which ought to be followed out in the pulpit discourses of the present day. Clear views of God's sovereignty, and of his particular and universal providence may be dwelt upon with safety and profit at all times, but they are more especially suited to keep up the faith of God's children when storms are abroad upon the face of the earth. These were themes much dwelt upon by the Divines who shared in the convulsions of the reformation. Their hold on the doctrines which pertained to the divine attributes and government were a sheet-anchor under the storms in the midst of which they lived. God as a dwelling place of his people in all generations, in his control of the wrath of man to restrain it and make it subserve the final good, in his infinite love to his people and in the care with which he watches over all their concerns the mediatorial government as including all human events to make them the means of leading on the latter day of glory, and topics kindred to these we deem eminently adapted

to the times, in which we live. On the 4th of December, the day set apart by the Governor of these Provinces, as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessing of peace, divine service it is to be hoped will be conducted in all our Churches. While we would not dis sever religion so absolutely from all connection with life, as to proscribe as sacrilegious in the pulpit any allusion to the condition of a country's temporal concerns, we hope that our Ministers will on the day above named treat their congregations to something more advantageous to their eternal interests, than partisan discussions, denunciatory tirades, or arguments to show that in the war which devastates a neighboring nation *this* side is right and *that* side wrong. What the people need from their Pastors is something to make them more religious, devoted, and faithful, and to convince them that nothing will be so likely to secure for them a continuance of the blessings of peace and plenty which they at present enjoy as *on their part* a genuinely holy life. Those who have the most influence with God in prayer are the ones who do the most good. Why then should not Ministers be content with preaching and praying in a way to make Christians the most pure and spiritual? Can they do any thing better for their people than to make them like Christ?

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