

their superior covers them, I yet desire, having placed the whole transaction in its true light before an appreciative public, to look upon and treat every minister of the Synod of Fredericton as a worthy and excellent man; and all the more worthy and excellent, after having seen their late foolish escapade in the mirror which I have held up before them. And I might say in conclusion, that I feel quite certain that, so far from this discussion having put back the Union of Presbyterians in this province, it is most likely it has greatly forwarded its consummation. Of this I have some evidence in the fact that such a beautiful and well-timed article on union should have been transmitted to you, Sir, for publication since this discussion commenced, by one of the gentlemen who argued with wit and wisdom against union in the Synod of Fredericton, and which you elevated to the rank of a leading article in your paper of September 10th. Should this discussion only have the effect of inducing the gentlemen of the Synod lately held at Fredericton to study the article so much admired by one of their number, I augur the happiest results. "The motive to attempt as far as in us lies the restoration of this glory (of unity) to his Church," will not be wanting, and "The strength to promote this union in the Church found in deep abasement and humiliation before God" will surely be given. "Private selfishness" will be incapable of preventing it. Nor will the expectation be cherished that "brother should yield to brother"—or church to church. Indeed this article is one which I take the liberty, in conclusion, of recommending to the study of all the brethren as well those who rejected as those who sought union. Its sentiments are scriptural, weighty, and worthy of all intelligent consideration.

I am yours, &c.

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