

against the personal attack made by you upon General Evans, in your Pastoral of the 28th of April, 1862, addressed to your Bishops and Clergy, and which, in a note appended to it, was announced for sale for five cents, at the bookseller's shop in Montreal.

In that Pastoral, you characterized the liberal proposition of General Evans, for the building of a Church on Sherbrook-street in Montreal, as a "manœuvre," "a project for the benefit of General Evans' land"—that "you found the whole business was an attempt to take you in."

As soon as I read these statements, and learned from Mrs. Crooks, (who had heard of the whole matter at the time from her father,) the true nature of the proposition that was made you, I at once addressed you on the subject. In my letter I stated, I trust in sufficiently plain language, the essential terms of the offer that was made you, and which, in themselves, *per se*, were utterly irreconcilable with the discreditable inference drawn by your Lordship, and, on the contrary, demanded commendation, instead of condemnation and injurious epithets from your Lordship. I expressed my belief, that carried away by animosity to the Archdeacon, you had not considered the disgraceful reflection you were casting upon an aged and distinguished General officer, and I left your Lordship a *locus pœnitentiæ*, or an opportunity of making the *amende*, which could not otherwise have been becoming to a gentleman, and one occupying the position of Primate of the Church of England and Ireland in Canada. I took care not to interfere in the least with so much of your Pastoral as concerned the Archdeacon of Huron, while at the same time I felt confident that one of his long tried services in the cause of the Church, would convincingly and triumphantly clear himself of all of your accusations; and that he would emerge out of the fiery ordeal to which your Lordship had subjected him with a character untarnished. In this confident hope I have not been disappointed; and the verdict rendered on all sides, both in England and America, has shown how groundless were your charges against the Archdeacon.

In replying to my letter of the 17th of May, your Lordship did me the honour to acknowledge it, and to say, that it was natural and reasonable for me to be deeply interested in whatever affected General Evans in any way—that you had no hesitation in saying, that you exceedingly regretted if anything said by you in your letter had given pain to me, or any of those connected with him; you stated that you