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al items: during which various and lengthy evidences were examined on both sides. Mr. Ryan, in order to support the statements which he had publicly made, laboured to prove that he (Ryan) had entered into such an agreement to "provide Madden a house."

A question now arose, whether Mr. and Mrs. Madden's evidence should be admitted? the subject was referred to the the Chairman, who gave it as his opinion, that their statements ought not to be rejected, at the same time, he observed, that "it was doubtful whether their evidence ought to amount to testimony." Their statements were given in, which went to say, that no agreement was made about providing a house, and that, on a certain occasion, Mr. Ryan "acknowledged that there was no such agreement."

Another charge of Mr. Culp's against Mr. Ryan, contained the following specifications, viz. 1st. Leaving his missionary appointment at the Grand River falls. 2d. Entering into the Ancaster and Niagara Circuits. 3d. Forming Societies, and taking up collections therein.

It appeared in evidence, that the "Falls" were specifically named in his appointment—that the settlement was entirely destitute of any ministry,—that the prospects were encouraging,—but that, he left the people abruptly, and never visited them again.

After hearing all that could be said on the subject, and the parties, Mr. Culp and Mr. Ryan, were about to withdraw, Mr. Ryan made objections to Mr. Madden's keeping his seat, while the Conference proceeded to make up their decision. Mr. Madden insisted on his right to keep his seat, but it should be urged as a precedent hereafter, in other cases. At the same time he declared, that he would neither speak nor vote on the occasion.

The Conference, in their decision, appear to have taken into consideration a report which was in circulation, "that Mr. Ryan had been guilty of falsehood;" as also Mr. Ryan's attempt to prove that there was an agreement between him and Madden.

The decision of the Conference was as follows.

1. It does not appear, from the evidence before the Conference, that there was an agreement between Mr. Ryan and Mr. Madden, relative to Ryan's "procuring a house" for Madden.

2d. There does not appear sufficient evidence to convict Mr. Ryan of falsehood; at the same time, according to the evidence, there appears to have been wanting, on the part of Mr. Ryan, a proper caution, and correctness in making his statements on the subject.

3d. That the Bishop, in pronouncing the decision of the Conference, he requested to inform Mr. Ryan, that the manner in which he made his statements respecting the "House," gave occasion for Mr. Madden to think that he, (Ryan) intended them against his (Madden's) influence: and that whatever was his intention (of

* Such were the circumstances of the case.