

assertion that Mr. Richey told the Committee that, during his four years' residence in this Province, he was treated *as a stranger, a foreigner, and an alien*—a sentiment which Mr. Richey not only never uttered, but which it never entered into his heart to conceive. He did say that in consequence of the invidious and offensive distinction constantly kept up by Mr. E. Ryerson and others, between British and Canadian preachers, representing us as having no interest in the country, he was made to feel in a Province in which he ought to be as much at home as in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, or Prince Edward's Island, as though he was a stranger, a foreigner, and an alien. So far was he from intimating that he was ever treated as such, that both Mr. Stinson and he bore most explicit and honourable testimony before the British Conference to the marks of high respect and esteem which, however unworthy, they had received during the whole time of their residence in the Province. On other misrepresentations concerning us both, equally gross and unsupported, we might animadvert; but we unsolicitously leave friends or foes to attach all the importance to them to which they may deem them entitled.

We have now discharged an obligation which we owed to ourselves—to the church of God—and to the public. We have no predilection for the turbid element of contention—no wish to perpetuate strife. Unless at a very imperious call of duty, we shall not again appear on the arena in connexion with this painful subject. Our work is to win as many souls as we can to Christ, and to watch over those already won, as knowing that we must give account. The vows of God are upon us. Life is fast ebbing out. We are hastening to the coming of the day of God. May we obtain mercy, as christians and as christian ministers, to be found faithful to our covenant and ordination vows. And with unfeigned lips we also pray for all who despitefully use us, that they too may obtain mercy of the Lord in that day.

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N. B. We perceive, on review, that £68 15s. was expended on destitute settlements during four years preceding the Union.