

“WOODSTOCK, ONT.,  
“April 29th, 1879.

“MY DEAR ARCHDEACON MARSH,—It is only just both to you and to myself that I should frankly satisfy your enquiry. Some months since, I travelled from Woodstock to London, in company with Mr. John Beard and yourself, when I jocularly related how I had given Mr. Lampman, the agent for the *Dominion Churchman*, a list of all the farmers in my parish, that he might have plenty of running round to do, in consequence of his complaining that after four or five days' trial, he was already heartily tired of the work of canvassing. I learned subsequently to my extreme indignation that you, on the same evening, expressed to Dean Grasett, grave doubts as to my views, &c., because to your knowledge, I had been using every effort to drive the *Evangelical Churchman* out of my parish and to supplant it by the *Dominion Churchman*.

“I merely state the circumstance which was in my mind when I made my remarks at the Council meeting without comment, because I desire to answer your question, and not to enter upon a controversy.

“It is perhaps right that I should also make you aware that I communicated to the Bishop the purport of your remarks when I submitted to you the draft of the address which it was proposed to present to his Lordship on his return; but only after I found I could no longer keep it within my own knowledge.

“I wish to take this opportunity of saying how deeply I felt the pain of being compelled by a sense of duty to act and speak at the recent meeting of the Council in a manner to which I am unaccustomed, and which is most repugnant to my inclinations.

“I am faithfully yours,  
“ARTHUR SWEATMAN.”

On receiving the above I immediately wrote as follows :—

“719 WATERLOO STREET, LONDON,  
“April 30, 1878.

“MY DEAR ARCHDEACON SWEATMAN,—While it would be wrong for me to attempt to draw you into a controversy on points to which your letter of yesterday refers in answer to the