

which the Church might be disposed to pass on your conduct. *They cannot expel you ;—You are a TRUSTEE.*

For the information of those who may feel interested in the matter, it may, sir, be desirable to shew the precise circumstances under which your very extraordinary letter was written. Facts at which we shall glance just now, induced forty-six persons heretofore connected with Granville Street Church, on Nov. 30 last, to send to that body the following letter.

TO THE BAPTIST CHURCH MEETING IN GRANVILLE STREET, HALIFAX, N. S.

DEAR BRETHREN,—

We are directed, by the brethren and sisters whose names are herewith enclosed, respectfully to request from you as a Church of Jesus Christ, a dismissal from your immediate fellowship, with a view to the formation of another Church of the same denomination.

We do not deem it necessary to enter into details as to the reasons which, in the judgment of the brethren and sisters deliberately and prayerfully taking this step, have pointed out the present proceeding as the path of their duty. No differences as to the leading doctrines of the sacred volume have led to this step; nor are we conscious of the least unhallowed feeling on our part, or of anything inconsistent with the warmest christian affection.

That the Great Head of the whole Church may afford you increase and prosperity is, and shall be, our unceasing prayer; and we earnestly entreat that like desires may be cherished by you on our behalf; that so by our united efforts and prayers, the cause of Christ may be promoted in this city and community.

Affectionately requesting an early communication from you in reply to this, we are, dear brethren, on behalf of all the brethren and sisters on the enclosed list,

Yours in christian love,

SIGNED BY THREE PERSONS }
AS A COMMITTEE. }

Argyle Street, Halifax, N. S., }
November 30, 1845. }

This communication was laid before the Church in Granville Street, at a meeting at which several of the seceding brethren were present to answer any enquiries, but they were not allowed to speak. From their account of the meeting