

in labours of another character, so far as relates to myself personally. Still, neither of us, in my judgment, make sacrifices bearing any just proportion to the magnitude of the cause we have proposed to advance.

My narratives will be concise. A few short paragraphs will generally constitute their beginning and end. Long speeches and long reports I shall leave to national committees and divided Parliaments.

Two weeks have already been spent agreeably to your appointment. Within this time, at different places, I have spoken eleven times. Three were immersed—two at Hamilton, and one at Wainfleet. One of those at Hamilton was a pupil in the Burlington Academy, and the other a brother of our esteemed correspondent A. Clendenan. The little company of disciples in Hamilton, counting ten or twelve, have been meeting as a church for several months past, and will be grateful for a call from any of our speaking brethren passing that way. More news anon.

In the love of the truth,

D. OLIPHANT.

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*For the Witness of Truth.*

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MR. D. OLIPHANT:—DEAR BROTHER,—For the information, comfort, and gratification of the brethren, I desire to communicate, through "The Witness," what is always pleasing to them. Nothing is more cheering than to hear of the prosperity of the truth as it is in Jesus. Although no benefit in point of pecuniary matters accrues from an advance of the gospel, yet to the devoted Christian nothing gratifies more. I am sure the true and faithful will rejoice to learn that since we commenced occupying our *new meeting house* in this place we have been somewhat prosperous. A sister from London, (England) united by letter, formerly a member of the Plymouth Brethren, as they are called, a people near the ancient platform.

Last Lord's Day I had the pleasure of receiving the good confession before the audience of a young man, and proceeded immediately after the meeting to the stream, where he was buried with his Lord in immersion. How solemnly pleasing to see the ordinance attended to in all its ancient simplicity and beauty, and how very unmeaning any thing else called baptism does appear when compared with it. Still there are some who will laugh and sneer at the ordinance. Those who laugh at the commands of God, may laugh now, but they should remember that the time is approaching when God will "laugh at their