

for Dr. Cordner in very plain terms, states or implies that from the changes that have taken place during that period, it would not surprise him if excommunication was put in practice.

In fact, my Lord, the feeling among a very large portion of the laity, is that the Clergy have been and are working to get the people in their power, so that they may lead them in things temporal as well as spiritual, and in this advanced age they most certainly will not succeed, but most signally fail.

Your Lordship's most obedient servant,

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Ottawa, 23rd March, 1874.

[We must admit we were surprised to see a letter from His Lordship in the *Montreal Gazette*, under the heading, "The *Alleged Ottawa Excommunication*," and giving the public of that city to understand that no excommunication had taken place in Ottawa. He says—"I do not wonder at your being deceived by the false and sensational telegrams sent to the press from this city, and perhaps you do not know that to issue excommunications is no part of a bishop's duty." As all these telegrams which His Lordship characterizes as "false and injurious," give the *Citizen* as their authority, we must, in justice to ourselves, assure our readers that the information was furnished us by a leading member of Rev. Dr. Jones' congregation. It was brought to us with a request that we would publish it, and we had no doubt at the time that the information was supplied us with the sanction, if not at the instance of Bishop Lewis. Coming, as it did, from such a respectable source, we must, with all the respect due to the position of His Lordship, adhere to the belief that Mr. J. B. Stoacy was formally excommunicated from the Anglican Church. If Bishop Lewis wishes to publicly deny the correctness of our information, we are authorized to give the name of our informant, with whom we will then leave His Lordship to settle the matter.]

While on this subject, we may also refer to a statement which has been extensively circulated to the effect that our report of the sermon delivered in the Chapel of Ease by Bishop Lewis was inaccurate, especially in that part of it in which His Lordship was reported as saying of the English Church—"It was the church of the educated wherever established." For confirmation of the correctness of our report we refer any of our readers who may be interested in the matter to His Lordship, Bishop Lewis, who saw the report before it was published, and said that it was substantially correct, though not absolutely verbatim.—ED. CITIZEN.]

"FATHER IGNATIUS."

To the Editor of the *Citizen*.

DEAR SIR,—I have been looking forward with some anxiety for this "learned Pundit's" authority which he promised in his wonderful and pompous communication of 19th instant, to prove that the faith of the Church of England consisted in the belief in