

besides enjoying 400 acres of land, granted to each of 42 rectories in Upper Canada, the sister establishment should be so inadequately endowed in Upper Canada, and altogether overlooked in Lower Canada.

Your memorialist, therefore, trusts, that in consideration of the inadequacy of the provision made for the Presbyterian Church in the Upper Province, and the entire absence of such a provision in Lower Canada, as well as the effects which would result from a cessation of the labours of its ministers, your Lordship will take into your favourable consideration the expediency of affording immediate aid by temporary grants, till measures be adopted for admitting the Presbyterian Church to its full share of the Clergy Reserve Lands.

All which is respectfully submitted to your Lordship's consideration, by

(signed) *Edw. Black.*

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8 February 1837.

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My Lord,

AGREEABLY to your Lordship's request, I now transmit to you the substance of what took place at the interview I had the honour to have with your Lordship yesterday.

1. That in April 1836, 57 rectories were constituted and endowed, through Sir John Colborne, in Upper Canada, in place of 42, as stated in my memorial.

2. That the amount of the sums paid to the Episcopal Church in Lower Canada, exclusive of the allowance from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, is 5,250 *l.* 18s. 6*d.*

3. That the amount of the sums paid to the Episcopal Church in Upper Canada, exclusive of the allowance from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, was, in 1833, 12,281 *l.*; in 1834, 9,602 *l.*; and that I have reason to believe, that sums of a similar amount are still paid by the Government to the Episcopal Church there.

4. That in a despatch from Lord Goderich to Lord Aylmer, of the 24th December 1830 (No. 6), a sum amounting to 500 *l.* was recommended to be paid to the ministers of the Presbyterian Church in Lower Canada; that when application was made by the Presbytery of Quebec to Lord Gosford, for the payment of the said sum, an answer was received from his Lordship to the effect that the instructions contained in the despatch alluded to, were set aside by subsequent arrangements made between the Imperial authorities; and that notwithstanding, all the other items contained in that despatch were paid, and have been continued to the Episcopal and Romish Churches.

5. That the clergy corporations have grossly mismanaged the Clergy Reserves, as will appear from Lord Goderich's despatch to Lord Aylmer (No. 69), dated 21 November 1831.

6. That the clerical duty done by the Scotch clergy in Montreal, and Quebec, is equal to, if not greater than, the same duty done by the Episcopal clergy.

7. That the Presbyterian population in Lower Canada is considerably greater than the Episcopal population.

8. That the entire failure of the crops in Lower Canada, last season, renders it impossible for the Presbyterian population to pay the small sums they have promised to their respective clergymen.

9. That the Presbyterian ministers in Upper and Lower Canada have acted as chaplains to His Majesty's troops at different times, without any remuneration whatever; that I, in connexion with my colleague, acted as chaplain to the 79th regiment, for the space of one year in 1828; that a separate service was regularly had for the regiment, at nine o'clock in the morning; that all hospital duties, &c. were regularly performed; and that the Rev. John Clegston of Quebec has performed, for the space of three years, the same duties to the same regiment.

10. That upwards of 18,000 *l.* has been realized from the sale of the Clergy Reserves in Lower Canada, and that a much larger sum has been realized in Upper Canada.

In addition to these topics, which were discussed at the interview I had the honour