

one. This remark may, however, be permitted us. The first and third positions are the two extremes, of which the third position is the mean. And it seems in this instance, as in some more that might be mentioned in our time, that after hot debate, in which extreme views were pushed forward from both sides, the deliberate opinion of the Church of Christ among voluntaries, and State Church men, is settling down on the second position, or golden middle.

We trust to meet the writer of this book soon again in the field of authorship, for which he seems fitted by his original thinking, and his chaste and clear style. It is time the Canada Presbyterian Church were doing something in literature, and all honour to those who venture so generously into a work for which there has hitherto been so little encouragement. There is a cry among some as to the Church's duty to encourage native talent and learning, by appointing distinguished men among our own Ministers to our theological chairs. Native literature should surely receive equal consideration, and we would suggest that on Church Government (on which particular subject there has hitherto been lacking a compendious treatise that could be used as a textbook)—this little volume might be used with advantage by our Divinity students in the College and before Presbyteries. The book goes over the field of "the Church" very thoroughly, and in a way that would call into exercise not simply the memory, but the logical powers of the student.—*Communicated.*

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