

occurred that same day ; consequently I could not have given that conversation to Dean Boomer by anticipation.

I beg to tell the Dean that anything I said of Archdeacon Sweatman, was neither personal nor unkind, whatever his insinuation may mean, and further that I cannot understand how *any pressure* should lead him to betray the confidence which he himself had sought, and to use it to injure the friend who reposed confidence in him.

Some one has twisted my words, and which is the offending party I must leave them to settle among themselves ; one thing is certain ; if this kind of thing is to continue, the only safe course to pursue, when a " friend ! " comes to ask your opinion on any matter, is politely to show him the door.

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Had the following letter been read to the Synod as it ought to have been, there would have been no room for some of the disparaging rumcurs that were spread about me in my absence.

I sent the following letter to the Clerical Secretary of the Synod on June 14th.

" 719 WATERLOO STREET,

" LONDON, June 13, 1879.

" REV. J. B. RICHARDSON, M. A.,

*Clerical Secretary of Synod, Diocese of Huron :*

" MY DEAR SIR,—I had intended to be present at the approaching Session of our Synod, but my medical man, Dr. Brown, has informed me that rest and quiet are necessary for me in my present state of health, otherwise he will not answer for the consequences.

" It is but right, under the circumstances, that I should explain to the members of the Synod, to whom I am pledged to move some amendments to canon 24, on the distribution of the Mission Fund that, for the reason given above, I have withdrawn my notice of motion for the present. I would ask you as secretary to be good enough to read this letter to the Synod at the proper time (Order of proceedings 5) (4).

" I remain my dear Sir,

" Yours, faithfully,

" J. WALKER MARSH, M.A.,

*Rector of St. John's, London Tp."*