

A THIRD LETTER.

Stee House, Montreal, 15th July, 1862.

RIGHT REV. AND REV. BRETHREN,

Absence from home, and some delay in the receipt of letters, has caused me to be later, than I ought to have been in noticing some of the statements in a second letter recently published by Archdeacon Hellmuth; while it has given time to him and his friends in various ways to give utterance to their indignation and complaints against me for venturing to impugn the reliability of his testimony. I think, however, when your attention is calmly directed to the real facts of the case, that unprejudiced minds will come to the conclusion that it was not without some reason I expressed myself, as I did, in my first letter to you.

Looking at the report of his speech at Islington, which he acknowledged to be substantially correct, and which he allowed to go forth without correction or explanation, there can be no question that it was calculated, not to say intended, to convey an impression of unfaithfulness in the discharge of their duties, on the part of the great body of the Canadian Clergy, and our Ecclesiastical Institutions; and so it was understood and commented upon by "*The Record*," English newspaper, the Advocate of the Archdeacon's plans, and the organ of the party with which he identifies himself. These statements were made with the view of exciting sympathy and raising money, in order to provide a remedy for the evil state of which he complained. Now it is considered quite allowable and fair to make and encourage such sweeping