

the sake of maintaining the accuracy of your Report, you have unjustly reproached the Synod of Nova Scotia, and sacrificed the truth. Your Society contemplated only the spiritual improvement of the provinces: the means which you have used can never be blessed. Where judicious measures would have harmonised the friends of evangelical doctrine, and concentrated their energy upon its propagation; by patronising the spirit of party, you have enfeebled the Presbyterian cause in the American provinces, and diminished the efficiency of means which had been there employed to secure its stability: And for such a sacrifice, what can you promise in return? You will give to the provinces the Church of Scotland: Does the gospel of your church differ from that which they already possess? You will give them ministers, strangers to the privations and fatigues of a new country: Will these be more useful than native preachers? You will give them ministers whom a presentation from Scotland will immediately prove to be wayfaring men: Will these care for the Colonies like those who have no other home? You will give them clergymen whom Scotland would not employ: Are these preferable to native talent? In the present state of these provinces your plan is irrational; and I will venture to predict that a few years' experience will convince you that it must be relinquished.

Rev. Sir, I have the honour to be, &c.

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REV. SIR,

THOUGH a considerable time has elapsed since the publication of the preceding letters, none of your correspondents have attempted to reply. Should you, therefore, again praise their veracity, you will, I trust, at the same time, account for their silence.

Rev. Sir,

I have the honour to be, &c.

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