

Catholic orphans," and "Priest Brethargh" children as follows: "But seeing that Protestant object, and I think very conscientiously to allow Protestant children to be adopted and brought up by Catholics, the only equitable plan left open, is that both parties should receive their share of the allowance to make the best use of it they can in their own cause." Here then is the gist of the whole matter a money consideration to the Roman Catholics as an equivalent for the rest of Marchmont to be used by them as they please in "their own cause." This will not do, "Priest Brethargh." The Council must have some better object before them; they must know the wants and requirements as in the case of Marchmont before voting money, simply as an equivalent; he must first show the wants to be legitimate.

"Priest Brethargh" states in reference to a "pro rata share of the Marchmont grant," the money consideration of which appears to give him no such trouble, "that we shall not get it, I feel certain. The Hon. Billie Flint has decreed it, and as to the Council." Now, Mr. Editor, was there after a more just, a more commendable, a more respected and unjust ascription cast upon a body of respectable and intelligent men, and that too by a *Priest* professing to be a minister of the God of peace? Yes, and a foul slander upon twenty-three men elected by the people as representatives to manage the monetary and other affairs of the County. "The Hon. Billie Flint has decreed it, and he is the Council." What a label upon twenty-two gentlemen of standing in the community, to say nothing of myself, and we all protest him for it! No; let him pass for what he is worth.

Allow me to state that I have no desire to pursue this matter further unless forced to do so by "Priest Brethargh," or any other responsible party. I feel I am not the aggressor. I treat Brethargh's entered the lists, and would be stopped by the Council, and myself I shall drop the subject. I have many, very many warm and valued friends among my Roman Catholic fellow subjects. I have no desire to offend them. I believe that in Canada we should as far as possible throw aside minor differences—we have got to live together in the same community, and while we differ in our religious sentiments, we may live on friendly terms as neighbors, but it is impossible to do this while such

quote. "The action of the County Council in the Marchmont grant, has proved the justice of my fears." From this it appears to be correct nothing from our "municipal bodies" and may explain with the following quotation his Reverence's meaning. He states: "the wretched exclusion of Catholics from the grant is so glaring, they may neither have money nor children." Exclusion of Catholics from the grant, forsooth. When and where did they ask for a grant or a participation in a portion of the grant made; where is their Marchmont; where their orphan immigrant children that need the grant? Echo answers, where. It is one thing to complain before asking, another to complain after refusal, but it may be His Reverence thinks it the duty of the Council in giving \$380 for the rest of Marchmont, to also give an equivalent to Roman Catholics unasked. It is time enough to give when asked, and when informed of the object requiring aid; or do we expect the County Council to adopt the course taken by the former government of Canada in the supply bill, giving nineteen twenty-thirds of the money granted for charitable purposes to Roman Catholics, while Protestants furnished fully three-fourths of the means. The County Council cannot do this. Let His Reverence show good reasons why it should be given, and he will not be denied an equivalent for the \$380, no not even from me. Equal rights and privileges is my motto.

"Priest Brethargh" states that Mr. Marchmont and the "holy feeling" which prompted it, "he" had the most profound respect. I am somewhat sceptical on that point. I can better understand the following: "For the action of the County Council in its mode of voting the supplies, I have, I had almost said, the most profound contempt." For this admission, I thank His Reverence on that point. I am not sceptical, however, the Council may feel on the subject. His Reverence states in reference to Marchmont, and its work being an exclusively Protestant movement, that "it is so narrow and bigoted that it were impossible to view it with any other feelings." Has he forgot "Father Nugent" and the "True Witness" endorsement of his movements? Has he forgotten what the "True Witness" says: "But as a Protestant her-