

Woodbridge, Ont.
Canada,
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Sir J. W. Dawson

My dear Sir

I was pleased to learn that it was not a true report that I heard from mine own land of which I spoke in my former letter. I hope that it will be a long period before a report of that kind is true, though that one day it will be, is only "a question of time."

Possibly you have not seen the article in the Scotsman which led me astray. I, therefore, take the liberty of sending you a copy of it.

I shall accept with much pleasure a copy of the work of which you speak.

Most heartily I wish you all a happy New Year in the highest sense of the term.

I remain,

Yours,

J. Ferriwick.

P.S. I see that Lord and Lady Aberdeen have made a Christmas present of a "cope" to the N. C. Cathedral in Halifax. This is not the right way for Protestants to "cope" with Rome. Lord and Lady Aberdeen prayed over Sir John Thompson's coffin, thereby countenancing praying for the dead. They are great admirers of Dr. Abbott, one who

openly scoffs at the doctrine of the infallibility of the Bible. I strongly suspect that the reason why he was allowed to preach in a Presb. church in Ottawa was the fact that he was a persona grata at Rideau Hall.

The Witness mentions the gift of the cope, but has not a word of criticism about it. I wrote to each of the three Presb papers about the praying over Sir John Thompson's coffin, and Dr Abbott being allowed to preach in a Presb. pulpit in Ottawa, but very one wastebasketed my articles. The ed. of the Halifax Witness said to me privately about the praying "It's best to take no notice of it."

J. F.

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