

Russia have often observed that the authorities imprisoned guilty brethren, fed them bread and water, and even punished them with the rod, but alas, their names remained on the church register. Others were castigated by having them dig ditches, cut down trees, and pay fines. Are people like that pleasing to God? Can He bestow His Spirit on them? Never, for Jesus says to His disciples, 'Ye know that the princes of the gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you,' Matthew 20:25-26.

"Even though the kings and princes governing this world act like that, God's children should abstain from such practice. Hence all Mennonites who exercise dominion and authority in this manner, cannot be His followers; for Jesus says, 'But it shall not be so among you.' We also read in John 3:26-27, 'But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.' Amen, Amen.



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On April 25, 1876, the Government of Canada, by Order-in Council set aside 17 townships in the south-central part of the province of Manitoba in what are today the municipalities of Rhineland and Stanley.

