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Re Charges Against Flesherton Reading Room.

To the Editor of The Advance.

The last issue of your paper contains a paragraph, a letter, and an editorial, brim full of charges against the Reading Room which, if true, ought to be investigated; but happily we are in a position to state that said charges are false and malignant.

1st,—In the paragraph, furnished no doubt by your reporter: The regular monthly meeting was not adjourned for want of a quorum, as the meeting was opened and part of the business transacted, the cause of adjournment having been the want of a report from a committee appointed to select and pay for some additional periodicals which we thought we ought to have on our fyles.

2,—The letter by "Public Opinion." The undersigned would desire first to enquire, who is "Public Opinion?" We are of the opinion, that if Public Opinion had subscribed himself *Private Opinion* his "nom de plume" would more fully accord with his untruthful letter. We, who are almost nightly in the Reading Room, have not heard one tittle of such rumors, not even from yourself, Mr. Editor, who is a member of the Reading Room Society, and whose contributions in literature are not unimportant. We are of the opinion that Public Opinion is one of the few in our village who have carefully abstained from assisting our institution either morally or pecuniarly; and, of course, to such a person anything that could be said or done against the institution would afford him some mede of gratification. Alas! Mr. Editor; how many are prepared to tear down and destroy, but how few are ready to assist in building up, especially if it costs them anything! We have examined the rumors as set forth by Public Opinion, and have found they contained no one particle of truth, and we now challenge Public Opinion and the reliable authority to make good or substantiate the charge of card playing or other immorality since the room has been opened as and for a Reading Room. We do affirm that no cards have been played either for pleasure or profit therein; and if Public Opinion has any knowledge of such, he ought to have acted manly and have intimated such to the officers of that institution and not act so cowardly and unmanfully by publishing a slander further than Public Opinion is known, or perhaps further than he would like to be known over his "nom de plume." We hope, however, Mr. Editor, that if Public Opinion desires to write again, that he will give us his name and if he writes the truth he will not be afraid to do so.

But your own editorial (as one connected with the institution) contains a more serious charge even than the former, viz., "that liquor is secretly smuggled into the Reading Room," and you leave your readers to draw their own inference, which would very naturally be that liquor has been habitually taken into and drank there. Now, Sir, we do not pretend to know what may be in the pockets of all who resort to the Room, as we do not search them; but we are prepared to affirm, that liquor has not been seen in the Reading Room excepting *once*, on which occasion it was brought by a young man (who is not a member) who came home to see his friends, who are respectable citizens of this vicinity, in consideration of which we suppress the young man's name. This young man inform'd the boys, that it being his birthday, namely, the fourth day of March, he simply desired to make it a O be joyful event, for which purpose he had purchased a bottle of whiskey and took it in his pocket to the Reading Room, but this bottle soon found its way outside the building. This young man has not put in an appearance since, and the universal desire is that his visits may be like the angels, *few and far between.* But, Mr. Editor, we have known men to have entered our churches under the influence of liquor, and some may have even carried it in their pockets, yet we have not known where charges have been brought against the members personally or against the church as a body for tolerating such, and especially so, if the offender has no church connection, which would be as reasonable and perhaps more so, than to charge the membership of the Reading Room with tolerating and countenancing an evil over which they had no control.

We do not claim for our Reading Room every excellence, as it is but yet in its infancy and must, of course, continue so, while men of *influence and position* withhold their support from it. We are satisfied, however, that it is doing *some* good and we are aiming at making it much more successful in its intended purpose. We are pleased to be able to say that the Room has been visited by Commercial Travellers and others who have expressed themselves as very much pleased with the order observed and the numerous papers and periodicals with which it is supplied. One gentleman, who recently paid the Room a visit, was so well pleased with what he saw, that he promised to send us a supply of interesting papers on his return home, which promise that gentleman has faithfully kept, and for which he has the united thanks of the membership.

Now, Mr. Editor, we must close, hoping that Public Opinion when writing again will try and state the truth, and if he cannot do anything to assist an institution designed to keep our young men together and at the same time afford them some facilities for amusement and enjoyment, that he will not write in such way as may be calculated to injure and destroy a useful institution, which is neither a "whiskey guzzling" nor yet a "gambler's training school." We feel heartily to regret that such utterances should come from one who is a patron and whose own personal experiences must fail to corroborate or establish the above inuendoes.

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