"ALL NATIONS WITNESSES."

THE WONDERFUL MISTAKES OF SCIENTISTS AND EDUCATORS.

"Prove all things;" this seems to be the guiding maxim of the p[illegible] of this age.

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A Candid Critic.

In the Fortnightly Review for January Sir Charles Dilke continues his criticism of the British army. He examines the Canadian militia severely and condemns the false economy which he holds is practised in Canada. He admits that in the Riel revolt the Canadian troops satisfied one of the severest tests. The system, he says, is infinitely better in point of organization than that of the Mother Country, but the English vice of cutting down necessaries to please false economists is visible in the colony, as at home. He says that, like ourselves, the Canadians pay for what is not sufficient for war purposes, then hope there will be no war. He is very doubtful whether any considerable [illegible] militia could [illegible]

THE BIBLE TEMPERANCE LEAGUE.

AN OPEN LETTER TO HON. G. W. ROSS, MINISTER OF EDUCATION.

World, Dec 31.

SIR:—In your official capacity you have introduced into our public schools a so-called Temperance Text Book, concerning the use of which you say "it is not optional," and that "school authorities are not at liberty to use any other text book than this which you have been pleased to select for them."

I only speak in this letter the mind of thousands of Christian parents in Ontario when I say that you have very far outstripped the limits of your authority by such action, and have shown an amount of arbitrary presumption which cannot be tolerated in this country of religious freedom.

We are Christians and can only believe in and practice that kind of temperance which we have been taught by the precepts and example of our Lord Jesus Christ, which temperance is not total abstinence from what you are pleased to call alcoholic drinks, such as the fermented juice of the grape, but is the subordination of all the bodily appetites and passions to the law of Christ—the keeping of the body under, and bringing it into subjection to his holy will.

The very title of your book we therefore consider contains falsehood, inasmuch as it professes to teach temperance, whereas it teaches total abstinence. As a professed scholar you ought to know the vast difference in meaning between the words total abstinence and Christian temperance.

Your book must be a failure in attempting to lead our young people to the practice of true temperance, because it is lacking in those Christian motives and divine sanctions which alone can influence the consciences of men generally to lead a sober life; and it substitutes for these motives and sanctions more human science, and that a kind of science which can only have a feeble effect, if any, in withstanding successfully the many temptations to drunkenness.

Your book is a godless book. God is as utterly ignored in it as though He were non-existent. And not only so, but it puts nature in the place of God—nature with a big N; telling the children on p. 49, that "Nature is wise and good," and on p. 44, that "Nature herself is the best of teachers," and that "food is sent by Nature." But we as Christians have been taught to believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is the wise and good; that He is the best teacher of temperance; and that as it was He who fed the hungry multitudes in the wilderness, so is it He, and not a something called nature, who sends us our daily bread.

We regard your book as an unwarrantable and audacious interference with our religious faith, and with the faith in which we desire our children to be trained up. We have strong convictions as to the nature and extent of Christian temperance. The wisdom, the goodness, and the honor of Christ our Saviour are all concerned and involved in these convictions, and we shall not allow you or any other man to teach our children in school either with book or without book, opinions which would cast reproach [illegible] our Saviour's name. Children [illegible] ve what is contained in your b[illegible] ill have but little, if any, respect [illegible] e Lord Jesus as He is revealed to [illegible] n Holy Scripture.

Even your so-called science of temperance, so far as it concerns the temperate use of alcoholic drinks, we cannot accept, as this is flatly contradicted by the highest medical authorities, and by the experience of all who practice Christian temperance.

Your book contradicts the Word of God, p. 96; and throughout ascribes even to the most moderate use of pure wine the most disastrous results; thus denouncing as a curse that for which the Saviour gave thanks, and it teaches the rising race to avoid the true, the consecrated cup of the Lord in the holy sacrament as though it were the cup of devils. Instead of bringing before the children's minds the precepts, the warnings and the example of our Saviour to teach them and help them to practice the exalted virtue of temperance, you bring before their minds the inefficient scientific platitudes of a fanatical medical crank, who evidently thinks himself wiser than Christ, and quite capable of improving upon our Saviour's doctrine and practice of temperance as followed by His Church ever since the church began. Alas for the temperance of the rising race if they have no better teaching than the author of your text book!

It was for the foregoing reasons, and others similar to them, that the Bible Temperance League was formed some time ago. It has made no public demonstration, but has been quietly yet widely extended; every man and woman who approves of and is willing to act on the three following resolutions being virtually a member of it.

Resolutions of the Bible Temperance League:

I. That the Bible, as a text book in our public schools, is quite sufficient to teach our children what Christian temperance is, and to warn them against the danger, the sin and the great evils of intemperance.

II. That we shall not allow any book of man's compositian to take the place of the Bible in teaching our children the nature and duty of temperance. Therefore, since attempts are being made to introduce into our public schoo[illegible]

St. Nicholas For January.

Whittier's beautiful poem, telling the legend of "The Brown Dwarf of Rügen," will delight all the readers of this number. It is illustrated by the frontispiece and other drawings by E. H. Blashfield. Mrs. Burnett continues her fascinating story, "Sara Crewe; or, What Happened at Miss Minchin's," with the excellent illustrations by R. B. Birch; and Mr. Stockton concludes "The Clocks of Rondaine," which began in the December number. Mrs. Pennell gives an amusing description of the "London Christmas Pantomimes," including the recent representation of "Alice in Wonderland," with drawings by Mr. Pennell, and reproductions of photographs taken during the performance. An interesting character-sketch by Richard M. Johnston is called "Poor Mr. Brown," and a cleverly suggested lesson is enforced. There is a novel article, telling of "The Amusements of Arab Children," by Henry W. Joseph, with life-like pictures, by Harry Fenn. "How the Yankees came to Blackwood," by Louise Herrick, amusingly represents the panic caused by the capture of a Southern village, and has characteristic sketches by Kemble. Nora Perry has a poem, "Balboa," which is well illustrated by Frank Day. Other features of the number are a description of "A Girls' Military Company," written by Lieutenant W. R. Hamilton, with appropriate pictures by H. A. Ogden; a seasonable story, telling "Where the Christmas-tree Grew," by Mary E. Wilkins; R. K. Munkittrick's fanciful story of "The Peasant King—being the experience of a peasant who exchanged places with a king; "The Letter Cake," by Sophie May; Julian Ralph's puzzling anecdote, "What did the Butcher-Boy Say?" the the first of a series of "Housekeeping Songs," set to music; poems, verses and pictures.

The Farmer's Advocate.

A copy of "The Farmer's Advocate and Home Magazine," of London, Ont., has come to hand—an agricultural journal which is excellent in all respects. It is well edited, and includes every subject of importance to the farmer or stockman, the truthful and independent tone of the paper enhancing the value of its information. It is handsomely printed on fine paper, and got up in library form. It is indeed a very comprehensive journal. We recommend it. 29-1t

Guessed He Could Stand It.

Acton Free Press.

The census of the Sunday Schools of this place was larger the last two Sabbaths than ever before in the history of Acton. Christmas trees are looming up in all directions; and this reminds us of the following story:—"Ah, my son," said the minister, "I'm glad to see you in the Sunday school at last. Is this your first Sunday?" "Yes, sir." "How do you like it?" "Oh guess I kin stand it until after the Christmas tree."

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NEWS ITEMS.

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It is believed that the negotiations for new postal arrangements with the United States will be brought to a satisfactory conclusion by the first of February.

Alex. Ward of Wiarton has been sent to the Central Prison for six months for thrashing the editor of the Echo. Ward assaulted his mother some time ago, and The Echo reported the case.

Leavitt, who will be remembered for his connection with the Dain murder at Yorkville, has pleaded guilty at Buffalo to an indictment for larceny in the first degree, and will probably get ten years.

A fierce hurricane from the west, accompanied by a severe snowstorm, prevailed over the whole of Greece Monday night. Twenty-five vessels were driven ashore and wrecked in the Gulf of Patras.

It is said that the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland has had to give up hunting with the Meath hounds, because the Meath farmers resolved that they would not allow the viceroy to hunt over their lands.

An old Lascar has just died in the Penitentiary at Dorchester, N. B. He was true to his paganism and died having faith in images. He was sentenced in Halifax for life for killing a sailor and has been in the penitentiary for thirty-six years.

Aquadilla, a small port of Porto Rico, has suffered from a huge wave. Fifty-three houses were swept away. The wave destroyed the solid masonry in the cemetery and eleven bodies were washed out to sea and lost. The wave was due to a "norther."

While a blasting gang at work near Arkel, on the Guelph Junction Railway, were drying dynamite cartridges the other day one of the cartridges caught fire. One of the gang ran to extinguish it but had only gone a few feet when the cartridge exploded, fortunately injuring no one.

The Government are said to have decided that next season assisted passages will be granted to only agricultural laborers and domestic servants going to Manitoba, the Territories and to British Columbia. All emigrants to the Eastern Provinces will pay full fares.

Twelve of the teachers in training at the Ottawa Normal School took typhoid fever and two died. Teachers in this locality have always objected to go to the Ottawa school. They will find additional reasons in the above facts for kicking against going so far east for their tuition.

The result of the coroner's investigation into the cause of the dynamite explosion near Crookfield shows that dynamite was used with the utmost recklessness. The jury recommend the Dominion Government to prohibit the sale of dynamite, and its wrappers, cases, boxes, etc., not stamped with the names of manufacturers.

The commissioners appointed to enquire into the financial condition of the town of Portage la Prairie have reported to the Provincial Government that the municipality is to assume only 40 per cent. of its gross liabilities, viz.:—$113,791.56, and to pay interest on the same at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly. The Portage has paid dearly for the Manitoba boom, and so have its creditors.

At the Manitoba Government caucus on Thursday Treasurer Lariviere reiterated this statement that Sir John Macdonald had deceived and lied to him about the Hudson Bay railway land grant. Messrs. Norquay and Lariviere announced their intention of resuming their offices at the Manitoba Government caucus. Dr. Harrison is to form a new Government, retaining Mr. Hamilton and Dr. Wilson in office.

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He Waked in Vain.

Spectator.

Mayor Howland, of Toronto, has issued a card as a souvenir of his two-years' term of office. It bears the motto: "Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh in vain." Mayor Howland's two years of office have been noted principally for the prominence given to "moral reform." He has been a moral reformer, or nothing. He was elected and re-elected almost solely on the "moral reform" platform. And yet, just at the close of his term of office—on Monday, the day of nomination—the whole city seemed to be submerged in a wave of immoral drunkenness. It was the most drunken day in the history of the city. If Mr. Howland is "the watchman," he has evidently been "waking in vain," and his little souvenir becomes less appropriate than humorous.

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