

are neither great nor good, keep the newspapers informed of all their movements, and regard that issue as of a *dies non* which does not contain a self-contributed notice of themselves and their doings. Better lie in the shade all your life than thus shamelessly angle for popularity! The local editors know your handwriting, and do you think they never tell their friends, or at least their wives, who it is that has so high an opinion of Mr. So-and-So? The world knows too and laughs at it, but its laugh is the laugh of contempt that robs your gospel message of all its force. When will men, and Christian men especially, learn that the great thing is not to be thought something, but to be it, thus esteeming the praise of God more than that of man?

Our old friend and sometime Lecturer in Sacred Rhetoric, the Rev. J. S. Black, now of Minneapolis, kindly contributes to our table "The American Christian Scholar," his address at the opening of Macalester College. He will, I trust, pardon our agnosticism in regard to this institution. If it be half as good as the lecture, it would be safe to advise all the Minnesotans who cannot come to Montreal to go there and become Christian scholars. Mr. Black does not agree with Emerson in his statements that "the long apprenticeship to the learning of other lands is drawing to a close" and that "the millions, that around us are rushing into life, cannot always be fed on the sere remains of foreign harvests." Emerson spoke as a philosopher and a visionary, forgetting that the main part of knowledge is fact, a limited quantity only of which can be grown on American soil. If he meant that Americans ought to do their own thinking, this is nothing more than, I am sure, Mr. Black would concede to every man, American or otherwise. Our quondam colleague says: "In Minnesota in 1890 I can give you a word which was not so heartily spoken in Harvard in 1837. I ask you to cultivate Christian manliness. The world has made many efforts to get along without Christ and has failed. Socialism invites failure until it becomes Christian Socialism. Scholarship robs itself of its crown as long as it is not Christian scholarship. All helpfulness takes on a new glory when it is in His name." The whole lecture is fresh, thoughtful, practical, and kindly, and the lecturer characteristically wishes the boys "many a good time." May he have the same!

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