THE SCRIPTURE READERS.

What Prominent Persons say About the Tory Attacks Upon Them.

Rev. Dr Caven, Principal of Knox College.

The Minister of Education is attacked from various quarters in regard to the book of "Scripture Readings" for use in the Public Schools. This attack seems to me quite groundless, and such as no exigencies of party warfare can justify.

Rev. Dr Dewart, Editor of Christian Guardian.

I do not hesitate to say that, if the other grounds on which it is alleged that Protestanism is in danger in this Province are as weak, as flimsy, and as futile as what has been urged about the "Scripture Readings" in the Public Schools, they are not likely to secure the confidence of candid and intelligent people.

Rev. Dr Cochrane, Brantford.

Unless we give up our national and non-sectarian system of education, and erect denominational schools, subsidized by Government, where each Church may teach its own creed, and put its own interpretation upon scripture, I see no better way than that which has been adopted. To name such a retrograde movement is to doom it. No reasonable man would for a moment seriously consider such a proposal.

A Tresbyterian Minister.

"J. J. C." writes from "The Manse, Pickering," a forcible letter expressing thorough conviction that the present anti-Popery agitation is just what it really is, disreputable party cry, trumped up by interested politicians to serve their purposes, to try if they can prejudice the people of Ontario against Mr Mowat, hoping in this way both to place their own party in power in this Province, and to bolster up the falling strength of the same party at Ottwa. He regards several points as having been definitely settled in the course of the discussion which has been going on in these columns. 1 That the "Scripture Selections" were not due in any way to collusion with Archbishop Lynch. 2. That the fair and frank spirit of Mr Mowat's letter to Mr Milligan made it plain to every unbiassed mind that in the Massie case there was no such Roman Catholic influence as was insinuated. 3. That the fear of Roman Catholic ascendancy which is being so industriously fostered, is quite baseless. The writer puts in an earnest plea for justice and fair play to the Roman Catholics. He calls upon Protestants to remember that the Roman Catholic citizens have a right to a voice in the management of the county's affairs. He thinks it would be more in accordance with the spirit of Christianity to rejoice at progress being made by a branch of the Christian Church than to stir up feelings of jealousy and suspicion against it. He speaks regretfully of the ill results which he thinks will follow this discussion. While doing no good, rather the opposite, to the party who started it, he thinks it will intensify the undesirable bitterness of party feeling which already exists, and will go far to disturb the harmonious relations which have hitherto existed between Catholics add Protestants in this Province.

THEN AND NOW.

The Tory Flip-Flop on the Sectarian Question.

Toronto *Mail*, May 18th, 1886.

Why should there be an Irish Catholic vote any more than an Anglican vote or a Baptist vote? The explanation of the phenomenon is that the Irish Catholics have allowed themselves to be segregated from the rest of the population by just such men as Mr. O'Donohoe, who have thus been enabled to make terms advantageous to themselves upon the strength of their position of Irish Catholic bell-weathers. * * * Hessians in politics, like Hessians in war, *are entitled to the dirty shilling* for which they have covenanted but to nothing more, and even that is flung to them with contempt. Leagues and conventions without number have met in this city in times past to *arrange for the sale of the Irish Catholic vote*, usually, we regret to say, *under the immediate patronage of spiritual guides* who ought to have known that corruption is an unclean thing whether perpetrated by communities or individuals.

Toronto *Mail*, June 1st, 1882.

The Catholic Irishmen of Ontario have no reason to complain that they will not be represented. Till but a week or two ago they had a representative in the Cabinet, and we have the best authority for stating that the vacancy will not remain long unfilled, and that one of their people will be taken into the Cabinet *to supply that very necessary element* for this great Province of Ontario.

Toronto *Mail*, June 5th, 1882.

It is known that the Hon. John O'Connor was compelled by ill health to retire from the Cabinet. He is to be *succeeded as the representative of his co-religionists* by the Hon. Frank Smith * * * Mr. Smith is the only Roman Catholic Senator of Irish origin from Ontario, and to give that class of our fellow-citizens *a more just representation* in Parliament, especially in the Upper House, than they now enjoy, it is understood that Hon. John O'Donohoe will be placed in the Senate.

Chaplain C. C. McCabe, D.D.

The coming of Chaplain McCabe, of New York, to Goderich in connection with the union lecture course, is an event which should command general attention. Chaplain McCabe is the General Missionary Secretary of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States, and is the author of the watchword, "A Million for Missions." Largely through his personal influence the Methodist Church has this year contributed $995,000 for foreign missions alone. Last summer Chaplain McCabe preached morning and evening to a congregation of 8,000, Dr. Talmage preaching in the afternoon. With that exception this will be his first trip to Canada. Rev. Manly Benson, of Toronto, has secured him to deliver lectures in Canada, at Toronto, Goderich, Brantford and Brampton. The subject of his lecture here is "The Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison." All know of Libby Prison at Andersonville, Ga., where durina the American war, in an open field of 22 acres, at one time over 33,000 Northern soldiers were confined. With no buildings, scarce any clothing to shelter them, half starved and abused in fifteen months more than 13,000 died. Chaplain McCabe, with his regiment was a prisoner, and can speak from experience. It is to be hoped that the people of Goderich will take this, the only opportunity of hearing one of the most eloquent speakers of the present century. The lecture abounds with the humorous and the pathetic. Remember the night and place, Tuesday, Dec. 14th, in the North street Methodist church.

Meredith's Untruthfulness.

Mr Meredith's reputation for veracity is not unquesticned. His sworn testimony has been flatly contradicted by one of his own followers, Mr H Merrick. Mr Meredith denied that he had any knowledge of the operations of the brawling brood of bribers, although it was sworn that the resolution which the Bunting Wilkinson-Kirkland gang had prepared, and the members of the legislature who received money were expected to vote for, was to be moved by Mr Meredith. The arrest of the conspirators forced Mr Meredith to delay moving his resolution. Mr Meredith swore that he never heard of the bribery plot until Mr Mowat made his statement in the House. In giving his evidence before the Royal Commission, Mr Meredith said:—On the 17th March this statement of Mr Mowat was made. That was the first intimation which I had directly or indirectly that any attempt was being made, or was said to have been made, to use improper means to secure the defeat of the goverdment.

This was contradicted by Mr Merrick, who said:—After I heard the announcement, or at least the rumor, in the smoking-room, that some members had been approached, I mentioned the matter to Mr Meredith, I think it must have been in the middle of the week preceeding (the date of the exposure of the plot.) Mr Meredith visited Ottawa on the Sunday before the exposure of the bribery conspiracy and had a secret conference with Sir John Macdonald. He has never ventured to condemn the plot by which he was to be made Premier of Ontario. All things considered, the public connot accept Mr Meredith's mere denial as proof that Mr O'Donoghue's charge is not true,

The "Mail" Praises the Scriptural Selections for the Schools,

From the Toronto Mail Dec. 4, 1884.

"The Minister of Education is to be congratulated upon having adopted for use is the Common Schools a series of readings from the Old and New Testaments, together with a brief form of prayer. The objections to the introduction of the Bible in the schools raised by many laymen, and by not a few ministers, were undoubtedly of great weight. To have placed the sacred book in the hands of a teacher, perhaps little expert in Biblical exposition, and to have permitted him to draw from doubtful and disputed passages the meaning most in consonance with his own religious beliefs, would certainly have led to endless strife. But the extracts adopted in this compilation are such as Christians of every denomination have ever agreed to accept as the plain word of God. * * *

"Mr Kerr has done his work out of love, and done it well, avoiding not only those parts upon which the sects have split, but also all those upon which it would be easy to start a raging controversy. * * *

"The work has been prepared with the greatest care, and cannot fail to commend itself to parents. Those who object to religious training in schools have simply to write to the master of the school requesting him to omit it in the case of their children. But we venture to think that the Department has succeeded so well in preparing this religious curriculum that few children will be withdrawn from it, and that to the vast majority it will afford spiritual nourishment of transcendant benefit to them through life."

Goderich Township.

HOLMESVILLE, Dec'r 13th, 1886.

Council met today, pursuant to adjournment. Minutes of last meeting read and passed. By-law No. 5 read and passed. The reeve as chairman of the board of health handed in his annual report, which was read to the council and approved of. The several members of the board stated regarding the condition of the premises of their respective school houses that they were in a satisfactory condition, that no complaints had been made by any person in the township save in regard to the slaughter houses near Clinton. These the reeve attended to, and are now in a satisfactory condition. Moved by John Beacom, seconded by Edward Acheson, that the members of the board of health be paid two dollars each for services. Carried. Moved by John Beacom, seconded by Edward Acheson, that the reeve is authorised to make arrangements with Robt. Hanley to have a wire fence erected on side line. Carried. The following accounts were paid, viz.: James Thompson, for $310 rods wire fence, 20 cents per rod, $62; Hugh Johnston, 265 yards gravel, $21.20; Robt. Johnston, 206 yards gravel, $16.48; J. N. Davis, Goderich, for 6 ballot boxes, $1.76 each; Jas Imrie, stationer, Goderich, stationery for clerk, $5.20; David Lindsay, 98 yards gravel, $7.84; Walton Dodsworth, 38 rods wire fences, $7.60; clerk, one year's postage, $10.18; Thos. Draper, 68 yards, gravel, $5.44, Mrs E. Sparling, 29 rods wire fence, $5.80; John McCelland, 40 yards gravel, $3.20. The members of the council were paid for their services as suh as follows: Reeve, $24, deputy-reeve, $18, absent balance, John McClelland, $24; James H. Elliott, $24; Ed. Acheson, $24, clerk's salary, $110, A. Knox, use of hall, $50, treasurer's salary, $75, collector, $75, treasurer for extra duties, $10, reeve attending at Goderich two days on township appeal case, $4, collector for extra duties, postage and stationery, $7.50. Council adjourned to meet again per statute. JAMES PATTON, Clerk.

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THE RELIGIOUS CRY.

Archbishop Lynch Denies the Charges of Undue Interference.

TORONTO, December 3.—Archbishop Lynch sends a letter to the *Mail* giving a categorical denial to the charges of undue interference in purely Protestant affairs which have been laid against him. In closing, His Grace says: "Is it wise or patriotic to spread discord among the Canadian people who are living on terms of friendship and good will with one another? The wisdom, indeed, of that course does not appear, which tends to tell to tell Americans at large that Ontario has loat none of its old bigotry, and it is surely not patriotic to utter what we all know to be a grievous libel. They will probably be surprised to hear that whilst the Protestants are six times more numerous than the Catholics, have ten times more ministers and possess nearly all the offices of emolument, still some Protestants are seriously alarmed because a Liberal Government extends to Catholics fair play, which those who are agitating for Protestant ascendancy call unequal privileges."

"Words fail to express my gratitude," says Mr Selby Carter, of Nashville, Tenn., "for the benefits derived from Ayer's Sarsaparilla. My system was filled with scrofula; blotches, ulcers, and mattery sores, all over my body." Mr Carter was entirely cured by Ayer's Sarsaparilla, eight months ago, and has had no return of the scrofula symptoms.

Mowat's Pluck.

His bold appeal to the Provincial electors at this juncture is in striking contrast with the timorous, shuffling, shifting course of Sir John Macdonald, whose boastful vaporings are strangely at variance with his nervous flittings from post to pillar in search of encouragement which his followers are unable to give. Thus he has been postponing the inevitable; staving off the evil hour from day to day; shivering on the brink of Salt River into whose briny bosom he knows he must sooner or later be plunged.

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Toronto *World*:—A city cotemporary suggests that electors vote as they pray. This suggestion does not affect the Boodlers who prey as they vote.

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The Sultan a Cousin of Napoleon III.

From the St. James Gazette.

It is not generally known that the Sultan is cousin of the late Emperor of the French. The Gaulois, however, assures us that such is the fact. His father, Aboul Medjid, was a lineal descendant, it appears, of Mlle. Dubucle Rivry, who fell into the hands of Algerian pirates in 1788—a not uncommon incident in those times—and was carried by them to Constantinople, where she eventually became the favorite wife of Selim, the then reigning sultan. Mlle. de Rivry, who was a Creole by birth, was first cousin to Mlle. Tascher de la Pagerie—the Empress Josephine—whose daughter, Queen Hortense, was the mother of Napoleon III. And, according to the same authority, a fresh admixture of French blood in the royal line of Turkey, dating from the present reign, is quite within the bounds of possibility. Abdul Hamid's first love, we are told, was a young French woman, Mlle. Florian Dorder, whom he met in the course of a morning walk in Pera. The young woman, who was a simple couturiere, made no difficulty in embracing Islamism at the young Prince's request, and he made her his lanoum. Her friends have heard nothing of her since and do not know whether she is alive or dead.

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CUPID ON THE CARS.

The Story of an Unprotected Female's Journey.

"You are not afraid to go alone?"

The speaker was a young man who stood on the platform of a railway station, and he addressed a young girl beside him whose neat gray dress and little satchel proclaimed the traveler,

"It is too bad," he added, "for Mrs. Walters to disappoint you at the last moment. Perhaps to-morrow"——

"Oh, no! to-morrow wont do, Nat! Leonie is to be married on Wednesday, and I must start to-day. Mrs. Walters, could not help the baby's sickness, and I am not afraid."

"You will have to ride all night."

"Never mind! No American ever annoys an unprotected female. I must get into the cars."

Mr. Ralph Howell very unwillingly gave his arm to his sister, led her to a seat, bade her good-by and sprang off just as the train started.

"After all," thought Miss Nettie, as she arranged her shawl on the back of the seat, "it is not so bad?"

All the seats were filled, except the one beside Nettie; yet there was only one person standing in the car. It was a gentleman who leaned against the door and looked out over Nettie's head and out of Nettie's window. She hesitated for a moment—for the gentleman was young and handsome—but another glance at his frank, honest face decided her; and, with a dignified bow, she offered him the place. He thanked her and accepted her offer.

Having done her duty, Nettie took from her satchel a book and began to read, while her companion, from behind his newspaper, studied her face. He saw the rare but beautiful combination of very fair curls and large black eyes, with black eyebrows and lashes, a pure blonde complexion and a small, slight figure. She read for a few moments; and then, seeing that her companion had put away his paper, she said, in a quiet, lady-like tone that would have completely disarmed either impertinence or misconstruction.

"I have the magazines of the month, which my brother handed me as we started. They are at your service, if you have no book."

"I can cut the leaves for you," he said.

"Thank you."

The darkness gathered, and Nettie put up her hand for her shawl. In an instant it was taken from her.

"Stand up and let me put it on for you," said the gentleman beside her. "Are you going to ride all night? Because, if you wish to wake at any particular time, I will call you."

"I ride to Rosehill."

"We reach there at 6 in the morning. I am going there too."

"Yes?" There was an accent of interest in Nettie's voice.

"Yes. I am on my way to act as groomsman at a wedding.

"Miss Simmons's!" It slipped out before Nettie was aware of it.

"Yes. I am first groomsman to my friend, Dick Ross."

"And I am going there to be first bridesmaid. You are Dr. Holman?"

"And you Miss Howell, of course! How glad I am to be able to do what I have been longing for this last three hours!"

"And that is?"

"Offer you my assistance; for I see you are alone."

"Yes."

The approaching wedding was a good subject for opening the conversation, and the travelers chatted pleasantly for two or three hours. Then, in a pause of the talk the car faded away before Nettie's drooping eyelids, and she fell fast asleep. She felt a gentle hand draw her head down to a comfortable resting place, and then all sights and sounds fled away. She was awakened some hours later by a sudden shock that threw her forward violently. She stood up, and the next instant a strong hand caught her arm.

"Quiet! Wait and see what"——

The words were lost in a crashing sound, the door in front of her flew open, and she saw something crashing forward with resistless power. Horrible cries mingled with the roaring of the machinery and then a blow on the head stunned her—and she lost all consciousness.

She revived to find herself lying on the ground, in the clear, bright moonlight, at some few feet from the railroad track. She tried to rise, but a sharp pain in her arm and side prevented her, and she saw that she was covered with blood. She could see the piled up ruins of the cars, and people with heavy burdens passing to and fro. She could hear groans and screams, the wailing of searchers and the directions of clear, authoritative voices: but she could not move and did not know how to speak or to whom. At last one group of the men who were raising the dead and wounded from the ground approached her. An old gentleman bent over her.

"Are you hurt?" he asked in a grave tone, that the forced calmness made almost stern.

"I am afraid so. I cannot move."

"Who was with you?"

"I was alone, sir. What is the matter?"

"A collision. Ah! here comes our young doctor. Another patient for you, my friend."

"Hiss Howell! Thank God, you are not dead!"

Dr. Holman bent over Nettie, as he spoke, and she saw that his left arm was in a sling made of a strip of her shawl.

While he was speaking, he knelt beside her and had wiped the blood from her face and dressed a deep gash in her forehead; while the old gentleman and his companions were looking further for their melancholy burden. As Dr. Holman finished his task, he said:

"Where else are you hurt?"

"My arm, I think, and side!"

"You were thrown from the broken side of the car by the crash of the locomotive before I could catch you, and I had to spring out for my life."

He raised her arm as he spoke and, with a sharp cry of pain, she fainted again.

It was a different scene upon which her next moment of consciousness found her. She was lying on a small bed in a little room whose low ceiling and narrow walls gave her an odd, stifled feeling; but her eyes rested first on a figure beside her, and she was astonished to hear her own weak voice when she said "Mother!"

"Are you awake, Nettie?"

"Why, mother, how came you here?—and where am I?"

"You are in the house of a farmer, who has given up all his rooms to the wounded from the railway accident. You remember that, Nettie?"

"Yes; but how did I get here?—and how did you get here?"

"We were telegraphed the next morning, and I found you here when I came. You had dislocated your shoulder and broken your arm, and had a raging fever. I have been here for ten days."

"And Dr. Holman?"

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A RE-AFFIRMED SUCCES

The Halton County Council Proclaim Resolution That the Scott Act is a l cess.

At the meeting of the County Cou last week a communication was r from the clerk of the county of Norf asking the co-operation of the cou council of Halton in memorializing Dominion Government for the repea the Scott Act, and the substitution license law discriminating in favor wine and beer. This communicat was accompanied by a copy of a res tion passed by the county council Norfolk.

In reply thereto our council pas the following, uncompromising res tion, which is considerably in contras the one requested by Norfolk's cou clerk:—

"Mr Warren moved, seconded by McLeod, that the memorial of the co cil of Norfolk be returned with the formation that this council don't prove of the course suggested in memorial, namely, that of petition the Government to repeal the Scott A for the following reasons:—First, t this council is not of the opinion that Canada Temperance Act of 1878 is a fa lure in the county of Halton, but on contrary, this council believes that has operated beneficially and in the interest of morality; second, t the law has been decried by certain p ties, yet this council has good reason believe that it is well enforced and t as a result the amount of drunkenn is greatly diminished—Carried."

Halton continues to sustain her hon and the county council is not afraid inform the public as to its position the Scott Act question. — Acton F Press.

The History of Hundreds.

Mr John Morrison, of St. Anns, S., was so seriously afflicted with disease of the kidneys that dropsy w developing and his life was despaired Two bottles of Burdock Blood Bitt cured him after physcians had failed.

An Empty Threat.

Mr Meredith is always making thre what he would do if he only got chance. Then when an opportunity presented to him, his courage, like th of Bob Acres, oozes out at his finger ti In West Middlesex, in 1883, he made violent attack on the Commissioner Crown Lands. At the nomination Mount Brydges, on December 7th that year, according to the London F Press: "Turning towards Mr Pard o, at the significant motion, w observed to tremble and become alm livid in countenance, Mr Meredi raised aloft his arm, and in tones righteous indignation continued: say to you, Mr Pardee. I tell it to yo face, that I intend to arraign you befo the public courts and at the bar of t House for the corruption and bribe practised in that Algoma election." fulfilment of this threat a suit was ent ed, W. H. Plummer, the Tory can date in the Algoma contest, as plaint and of this suit the records of t Toronto Assizes, of Sept. 28th, 18 say: "Plummer vs. Pardee.—Dismi ed with costs." And thus perished "r teous indignation." Yet as contemporary points out, Mr Meredi could not be persuaded or taunted i opening his mouth on the subject in t Legislature, and has never had t decency to withdrew his slanderc charge, a man who is ambitious to Premier of a great Province should made of sterner stuff, not to speak of t dishonesty of the tactics.

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Patriotic words.

We commend the following extr from the Hon. Mr Laurier's speech the careful consideration of the You Boodler's Club. He says, speak about justifiable rebellion:

Before I proceed any further let quote the language which was spo upon one occasion by the great Earl Chatham, the greatest man of his d the man who first started England the eighteenth century in that career victory and glory which she has b following ever since. (Applause.) me tell you what he once said. American colonies to the south of then in open rebellion, fighting British Government. Lord Chath old and feeble, came to the House Lords one day, upbraided the Mini for being the cause of that rebelli telling them that they had no right tax people who were not represented the British Parliament; that it was act of tyranny on their part. He s "If I were an American, as I am Englishman, while a foreign tr remained in the country I never wo lay down my arms! Never! Nev Never!" (Loud applause.)

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