

for 40,000 shillings down upon us, we hasten to make this correction.

"Robbing the Queen," is now the cry. Our contemporary is on a new tack. We stand indicted with a higher offence—misprision of treason!

But let us say to our friend the Editor—If we have no loyalty, he has no charity; and if we rob the Queen, we pay two millions of dollars for the defence of Her Canadian soil from Fenian miscreants, and spill our life's blood for the honour of the empire.

No, our contemporary will do better by taking a leaf from our English namesake, "The Bookseller," and learn to speak of the Colonial trade in better terms. And if he will urge the Publishers of the motherland to have more generous thoughts of us, treat us more liberally, and abandon the old conservative policy, which has shut us out from doing much business with them, he will perform a more worthy and practical service than in heaping abuse on Colonial Booksellers.

"THE CANADIAN MONTHLY AND NATIONAL REVIEW."

INTERNATIONAL COURTESIES.

THOUGH declining to apostrophize ourselves—after the manner of some of the poetical eulogists among our contributors—upon the success which THE CANADIAN MONTHLY has attained, yet we are unwilling that our friends and subscribers should not have the gratification of knowing what is said of us and of our achievement abroad. We feel it to be fitting, also, that some little acknowledgment should be made of the many compliments paid to the magazine by those who, having a "labouring oar" in their own hands, yet have a cheering word and a passing hail to another craft on the broad highway of the literary seas.

Let us see that, in making the few following extracts from some of the recent notices of *The Monthly*, appearing abroad, our native readers are not unappreciative of the excellencies of our venture, nor indifferent in extending that aid to us by which which we shall secure continued credit to the publication, and enable it to win "good words" for the culture and thought of the country it represents.

In reproducing the following editorial courtesies we beg to thank all those who have "spoken us fair" and extended us kindly greeting, for the encouragement of their hearty words; and, we trust, that the appearance of our First Volume, now approaching completion, will not belie the commendation passed upon us.

From *The Interior*, Chicago, we clip the following:—

"*The Canadian Monthly and National Review* for March, is No. 3, of Vol. I., and shows that the Canadians do not mean to be out-done by the States in monthly literature. It presents an array of interesting articles, the more solid of which are:— * * * * * We welcome this sterling Review, and shall be glad to learn that it has a wide circulation in States. Its typographical excellencies make it pleasant to the eye, and we are sure the variety and literary character of its articles will make it a popular favorite."

The London *Daily News* says:—"They (Canadians) are anxious to prove to the world that their intellectual

life is quite as worthy of admiration as their physical well-being and material progress. * * * The new magazine may bear comparison with any other published in the United States or the United Kingdom."

The *Athenæum*, London, has said—"The first number is creditable to Canadian culture in every respect."

"From the Manchester *Examiner and Times*:—"The merits of the first number, and the promises of the prospectus, assure us that the new magazine is likely to deserve the notice of English readers."

From *The Bookseller*, London:—

"*The Canadian Monthly* is a magazine of the "Cornhill" or "Macmillan" stamp, but better printed than either of the magazines mentioned. * * * Apparently the new venture is as successful as it deserves to be, and we hope that it may flourish as long in Canada as the "Gentleman's Magazine has done here."

From the Chicago *Tribune*.—"We are indebted to the publishers for the March number of the new "Canadian Magazine," issued at Toronto, under the editorial supervision of Professor Goldwin Smith. There is marked intellectual ability displayed in its papers, and a distinctive national character, neither English nor American, which indicates that our Canadian neighbors are fully able to support a magazine of their own, without using any other than Canadian resources. * * * The "Canadian" is a remarkable success, even at the outset, and contains all the elements of a long and useful life."

THE DOMINION ELOCUTIONIST AND PUBLIC READER.

BY MR. RICHARD LEWIS, TEACHER OF ELOCUTION.

Toronto: ADAM, STEVENSON & Co.
Montreal: JOHN LOVELL.

THIS work, which is now passing through the press of Mr. John Lovell, Montreal, ought to command a large circulation throughout the Dominion. It is not a mere collection of stock pieces, such as we find in the ordinary "Speakers" and "Elocutionists." Its object is twofold—first, to impart, in a suggestive manner, such hints towards the cultivation and proper use of the voice in reading and in oratory as the experience of the author enables him to give; and, secondly, to provide a series of selections in prose and verse drawn from every available source. Thus, in the oratorical selections, although the great masters of eloquence find fitting recognition, we have, in addition extracts from Bright, Gladstone, Disraeli, McGee, McCaul and Howe. In Sacred Oratory, again, we find for the first time in a work of this kind excerpts from Canons Meivill and Liddon, the Revs. F. W. Robertson of Brighton, Dr. John Caird, Jno. Angell James, W. Morley Punshon and C. H. Spurgeon. The poetical division of the book is equally original; we can scarcely call to mind an impressive poem available for school recitation or public reading which is not included therein.

Mr. Richard Lewis, the author of the work, is a teacher in Toronto, of acknowledged ability; he is also well known as a public reader and, to his experience in both capacities, the public will be indebted both for the practical character of the instruction and the judicious selection of readings contained in "The Dominion Elocutionist."

A work of this kind has long been a desideratum; it is wanted in our schools, it is wanted by those who cater for the prevailing taste for public recitation and it is also wanted as an agreeable companion in the family circle. There can be little doubt that it will be extensively used all over the Canadian Dominion.