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Editorial Items.

Although the question of the study of the Bible in the Public Schools is looked upon by many as a political one, which should not be tolerated, yet we think that in the interests of the young, and the advancement of the knowledge of sacred history, that it ought to be resumed and carefully scrutinized by the teachers and their pupils. It is a question in which we are all interested, and it would implant in the minds of the young a greater interest in the reading of that which at some future day might be the turning point of many a young man's career. What is there in the Scriptures that would not tend to refine and elevate the mind, or why is it discarded by our School Board from being read and taught to the pupils? Simply a political party question to please a Government that hoped to gain a few votes by it. In a Christian country like this with all its religious and educational privileges, the Bible can only be looked upon by those

who are interested in the question of Right and Wrong, to be a book authorized by divine, and not by human authority, as fit and capable to be entered in our schools as one of the books of study.

We are glad to see that the Ontario Government has encouraged the motion made, that a new Collegiate Institute be established in Toronto, also that that building is being planned for erection. It is now high time for the citizens of Toronto to come to their senses and realize the situation of the pupils who pass out of the Public Schools into higher institutions. As for that establishment on Jarvis street we really do not believe it deserves the name it has at present. The pupils of the Public Schools are taught to be ambitious as far as education is concerned, but when they enter the Toronto Collegiate Institute, that thirst for higher education is quenched by the slow-clock-work manner in which that institute is, and has been, working, for the last twenty years.

We trust that this new institute will be a great improvement on the present and that a man who encourages education, be made principal.—SUB ED.

One of the boys attending Rose Avenue School has the habit of "accidentally on purpose" running home with certain girls' hats. Why he does this we do not know, but rumor has it, that this interesting little boy has a smitten big brother who finds it very convenient to bring little Fannie's hat home, as an excuse to bring—he arrives home rather late. Let this fascinating young man beware lest there be a wasp in the hat. We also extend this warning to the "interesting" little brother and to others similarly occupied.

Boys! Girls! Teachers! Parents! Bachelors! Spinsters! and Business Men, don't forget our "Holiday Number," it will interest you all, and be