

those who falter not, however, though the seed-time may be a season of bitterness and sorrow, the harvest will generally be found to yield a rich recompense for their toil. But, in place of our own words, we commend those of our earnest authoress; and we have much pleasure in bringing before native readers a Canadian edition of "BITS OF TALK."

In the volume will be found an eloquent plea for wise and considerate tactics in "home matters." Solicitous of the generalship of the parent, and urgent for "wetting the clay," she would bring out, by a deft and skilful handling, all the graces of character and manners of childhood. The virtues of courageous truthfulness and generous unselfishness would appear in the most unpromising of subjects. From the impatience and passion of the nursery, she would summon forth gentleness and peace. In exchange for stubbornness and wilfulness, we should find amiableness and docility; for peevishness, heartiness; for waywardness, self-control.

That the education of the young in the amenities of life on this side the Atlantic is also of essential importance, cannot be gainsaid; and the early inculcation of good breeding and deference to age and station on the youthful mind is one of the great *desiderata* of our times. In reference to this subject, we are glad to give place to the pertinent remarks of one who alike distinguishes the high position he holds in the Dominion, and adds further lustre to "the grand old name of gentleman." We allude to Lord Dufferin, from