

### ESSENTIAL PORTIONS OF BIBLE MUTILATED

Intrinsic evidence is to be found in the book itself that the susceptibilities of the Romish Church have been very carefully considered, while the leading passages upon which the distinctive dogmas of the Protestant faith rests as distinguished from Romish precepts are excised, and the Bible mutilated in the most essential portions of it, viewed from the Protestant standpoint.

Let this be proved. The Ross Bible jumps (Lessons 12 and 13, part 5, p. 348) from the First of Thessalonians, 5th chapter, 24th verse, to the Second of Timothy, 2nd chapter, 1st verse. It so happens that the portion of the Bible thus passed over contains the following text, First of Timothy, 2nd chapter and 5th verse: "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus."

### NO MEDIATOR BUT ONE

This is the very kernel of the Protestant faith as contradistinguished from that of the Church of Rome. Why was it omitted from a book of selections intended for the *Public Schools* and not for the *Separate Schools*; and for Protestant children and for them chiefly, seeing that the Roman Catholic children who may still, in defiance of the recent coercive amendment, frequent the *Public Schools*, are not compelled to hear the book of selections read, but are at liberty, as before, to leave during the reading?

Again, Lesson 21, page 352, of the Ross Bible, contains seventeen verses. The first twelve verses are the first twelve verses of First of Peter, 2nd chapter, as follows:

"1. Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

"2. As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

"3. If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

"4. To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious.

"5. Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

"6. Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

"7. Unto you, therefore, which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

"8. And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

"9. But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;