

THE BYSTANDER is on a smaller scale than other journals, but it is on the same footing and claims the same rights and courtesies for itself and all connected with it. It has a responsible editor ready to correct any errors that may be pointed out, and to do justice to all complaints. Messrs. Macdonald and Tupper, of Winnipeg, feeling themselves aggrieved by an editorial paragraph in our last number, chose, instead of remonstrating with the Editor, to send a personal and insulting letter to Mr. Goldwin Smith, to whose name the title of "Editor of THE BYSTANDER" was tagged, though the bulk of the letter could have no reference to anyone in that capacity. That gentleman might have been warranted in disregarding a missive which opened with a broad insinuation that he had come to Canada with a stain on his character and in need of an "asylum." He, however, forwarded it at once to the Editor of THE BYSTANDER, who was prepared to do without delay whatever the justice of the case might require, when Messrs. Macdonald and Tupper took the law into their own hands by publication in their party journal. The paragraph in our last number simply called to remembrance what had long ago been placed on record in *The Globe* which, so far as we know, never found it necessary to withdraw or modify any of its statements or remarks. We shall, however, finding the statements of *The Globe* now challenged, cause independent inquiry to be made at Winnipeg, and should the result of those inquiries give us reason for believing that we have been in any respect misled, full justice shall be done. It is needless, we hope, to protest that we could have had no motive in referring to the matter other than the desire to strengthen the hands of those who in Parliament are seeking to reform a state of things which, so far at least as Manitoba and the North-West are concerned, stands much in need of reformation.