

As we have said, one uniform system of national, unsectarian schools should be established in every Province of the Dominion, not excepting Quebec. And if the Roman hierarchy desire to teach their children the rectitude and desirability of dethroning our Protestant sovereign and annihilating our Protestant government, with all the other little etceteras that might follow, they have, thanks to an unwise Protestant liberality, their priest-preachers, churches, and Sunday Schools wherewith to accomplish this end. Furthermore, in view of the unconcealed hierarchical anti-Protestant designs, it is obviously in accordance with reason and right that in a Protestant country there should be no eliminations from public text-books of passages which from a Roman Catholic standpoint, are objectionable. On the contrary, in view of what Romanism is, and what it unblushingly and treasonably inculcates, they should rather be, by set purpose, multiplied, and the books made much more distinctly Protestant.

There is, moreover, not a learned man among them but must know, if he has looked into the matter at all, that our English Protestant Bible is a better translation, more closely and faithfully adhering to the original text, than the Dowie; although very much difference in the two translations there is not. I have examined and compared the both, and there is not a man among them, learned or unlearned, who is a reader of his Bible—and he who is not a reader of it is so ignorant of these things as to be no judge in the matter at all, and so inconsistent withal in professing to be a Christian, a "Catholic" Christian, and yet not reading and becoming conversant with the Christian chart, the Divine Guide-Book given by God to men for the very purpose of ministering to their salvation and furnishing them with unerring directions as to how they may escape the wrath to come and secure a final home in heaven—but there is not a man among them, learned or unlearned, if a reader of his Bible but must know, if he has ordinary intelligence, that the Protestant prayers and ways of praying are more in accordance with the prayers recorded in the Bible, and their mode of delivery therein given as being acceptable to God and profitable to man than are the prayers and the manner of offering them that universally obtain in the Romish church. Away then with your impious nonsense about its being a matter of "conscience" with you not to read or hear read the Protestant Bible, or attend Protestant prayers! Nothing but an inspiration of the wicked one can have led you to take that stand.

Now, in view of stern facts of Romish aggression that are meeting us continually, do not fellow-countrymen talk partisan twaddle about stirring up sectarian strife; say rather, "do not use means to protect yourselves against the stealthy or more open and persistent approaches of the Roman snake in the grass;" for this would be hitting the nail square on the head, whether done by Grit or Conservative. Peace-to-day that there may be war with redoubled fury to-morrow is not a wisely conciliatory course of action to pursue except on the wholly selfish principle that so long as there is peace in our day, never mind what misery and suffering may be entailed on our posterity!

The Roman Catholics of Manitoba number about 23,000, the Presbyterians 40,000; the Anglicans 30,000, and the Methodists about the same. Now, have not each of these an equal right, on