

week ; and churches more and more into places of amusement—concert rooms for secular songs and recitations ; eating houses, with their kitchens ; in one case a school for the “ noble art ” of self-defence. Efforts to identify the church with the world will end by the triumph of the world and the death of religion. The house of God is a temple sacred to religion ; and to defilers Jesus applied a scourge of cords.

Luckily the proprietors and conductors of newspapers in Canada are as a rule religious men, churchgoers, and are thus amenable to religion if faithfully presented ; so that the refrain must ever be—a neglectful ministry. It is the immortality of the soul and its possible destinies, chiefly, that necessitates a church ; when revealed facts about the everlasting future are ignored, the necessity for churches ceases to be felt, as it is by the rising generation.

The writer has mentioned cities : it would