

“A PRACTICAL MAN”

REVIEWED.

I HAVE read with much care the letters of “A Practical Man” on “Congregationalism in Canada,” which have recently appeared in the *Canadian Independent*. Their author, whom I readily recognise, through the thin disguise of his *nom de plume*, has fairly earned the right to speak on the subject he has mooted, both from his long connection with Congregational Churches, and the eminent service he has rendered them in various ways. Perhaps I may claim an equal right to take part in this discussion, having been identified with those Churches even longer than he, and not less actively. My opinions, though differing widely from his own, are, also, “the matured judgment of a friend, and not the carping criticism of a foe.”

LACK OF AGGRESSIVE POWER.

“P. M.” sets out with the statement that “our ag-