

BISHOP LEWIS AND THE REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—The Bishop of Ontario devoted his energies on Sunday morning to a discussion of the position of those who had formed themselves into the Reformed Episcopal Church. We are informed by the Ottawa papers that in the service proceeding the sermon, special emphasis seemed to be given to the clause referring to false doctrine, heresy and schism, whilst there appeared to be unusual significance in the choice of the hymn preceding the sermon. The Bishop, without announcing a text, after a few opening remarks, said that he did not consider it of any avail to speak to people who were bent on sectarianism, but as he had been respectfully requested to take up the subject, had given way to the solicitations of his friends. He remarked upon the singularity of the fact that those who were now disaffected with the teachings of the Church of England could not find a haven in the two hundred and fifty sects which at present existed. He, however, did not think the matter would amount to a great deal, for sects were as easily started, and as easily died. As a bishop, he was charged with the orthodoxy of the people. He was not going to combat the theology of this new sect. It would be perfectly useless, as it had been done over and over again. He then proceeded to trace up the history of the movement which had originated in Kentucky, under Dr. Cummins, who never was in charge of a diocese, except as assistant bishop. Bishop Lewis now proceeded to indicate that Dr. Cummins would be degraded from the church, as utterance which hardly seems to have been made in that spirit of Christian charity which one would have expected from an ecclesiastic of so high a position. Bishop Cummins had given as a reason for the schism, that the Lord had put it into their hearts to create an unnecessary schism. We shall publish the address of Bishop Lewis in our next.

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THE TEMPERANCE CRUSADE IN MINNESOTA, gives a few particulars of that part of the West. He says Warsaw has doubled its population within a short time. Warsaw is only a village but Fairbault is a city. I thought your readers would be somewhat interested to know about Minnesota. There is a large strip of timber which runs north past here that is over 200 miles long and 25 wide. The timber is principally maple, basswood and Elm. The winter here this year has been very pleasant. The first snow fall was in the 1st Nov., snowed about 14 or 15 inches deep, but lasted only for a week and melting has been more or less since that time about two weeks ago, snow is about 7 inches to 10 deep at present. The price of wheat now is 95 cts no. 1, but was down as low as 60 cts last summer. There is not a great quantity of winter wheat raised, winter wheat is a better quality than the Prairie wheat. I must say that Minnesota is the garden of the west for raising wheat. A man thinks nothing of raising from 1000 to 50,000 bushels of wheat; of course, big farmers raise a large quantity. Wheat was up to one dollar this winter but fell 5 cents. Farmers raise only wheat, a little oats and corn, but wheat is the main crop.

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE C. P. HERALD.—Having been present at the annual Public School Meeting and heard school matters discussed, among other things that of salaries, I with others present felt ashamed to hear that Robert Bell, Esq., had asked for many years and was still discharging the onerous and important duties of Chairman of the School Board without any salary. Knowing the amount of time and labour involved in this position, and the able and zealous manner in which he discharged the same, I as a ratepayer in the school section say it is unfair and absurd, and I would beg the School Board at once to do Mr. Bell justice in this matter. No one man has a right to labour for the public for nothing. Yours, A RATEPAYER.

SEEDS FOR 1874.—As the time for purchasing flower and vegetable seeds will soon be here, we call the attention of our readers to one of the most extensive catalogues that we have had the pleasure of examining. Among the many dealers who are and have been catering to the wants of our people, there are none who put in an appearance to exceed that of Mr. Geo. McMillan, of London, Ont. We are assured that the seeds from this establishment are first tested before being sent to purchasers, and if the directions on cultivation are followed, no one will be disappointed in possessing a fine flower and vegetable garden. Very liberal inducements are offered to individuals and clubs requiring vegetable and flower seeds, especially the latter. Catalogues are mailed gratis and sent free to all who are interested. To such we would say, do not fail to send for a copy at once.

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