

THE AGNOSTIC'S GOD.

SIMILAR TO THE UNKNOWN GOD OF ATRENS.

Dr. Wild condemns the Neutrality of the Agnostic—And Declares Him to be a Predestinator in His Belief in the God of Nature.

The doctor's sermon of last Sunday evening brought forth a number of letters. His correspondents, he maintained, did not reply to the arguments he advanced, but confined themselves to personal abuse, untruthfully alleging that he was an enemy of the workman and also, in some cases, sneering at the fact that he once followed the occupation of an iron-moulder. He reiterated the arguments formerly advanced, and added that if the plan advocated by some were adopted of excluding immigrant mechanics, old-time feudalism would be brought into existence and prosperity in that case could not be maintained.

During the prayer, he made special reference to the loss of the Erinke church, and prayed that the citizens of Toronto might be moved to exercise their liberality in aiding the Rev. Mr. Smith and his congregation to rebuild.

Text: "For as I passed by, and beheld their devotion, I was moved to write this inscription TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye have not seen, and declare I unto you." Acts, 17th chap, 23rd v.

The first part of the sermon was devoted to a description of Athens as it appeared at the time when Paul delivered his famous oration on Mars Hill. Two of the principal sects existing at that time were the Epicureans and the Stoics, the former believing in the atheistic philosophy that the universe was the product of chance, and pleasure the end of life; the latter believing in a pantheistic theory. The universe to them was under an unchangeable law—

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