

For it they stood both fire and flame, and laid
their bosoms bare ;
Must it be cast in Canada far from our public
schools
By foreign powers that rule this land, themselves
the worst of fools ?

For twenty years and more, my friends, this book
has been suppress'd,
Though it was once the people's pride, and by it
they were blest ;
Yet all this will not satisfy those that our rights
command,
These buy and sell their Western dupes, who will
not them withstand.

Were schools in Lower Canada free from all Priest-
ly rule,
Where Protestants could enter at, and place their
youth at school,
And not be taught Rome's mummary, which dark-
ens every spot,
We might submit to Separate Schools, if that
should be our lot.

X. ON RIEL'S TREACHERY TO MAJOR BOULTON.

Since loyal men at the Nor'-West
Are hunted to and fro,
O'er hill and dale, o'er wood and plain,
And in their graves laid low ;
And since their blood for vengeance call,
Can we their claims deny ?