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The Editors trust to receive an early remittance of subscriptions which are due strictly in advance. Notices of irregularity in the delivery of the paper will be at once

We direct the special attention of our readers, to the letter of "Diogenes" which appears in this issue. practicable and very important matter.

There is no doubt but that the system of education in this Province can be improved, and should be improved, particularly in the rural districts. We think "Diogenes" suggests a practicable improvement and we hope his letter will lead to some expression of opinion on the matter. Our columns are open to any discussion that has to do with the advancement of education.

We leave it to our newspaper proprietors to say to what extent the frequent wretched spelling in some otherwise distinguished journals is attributable to underpaid and overworked readers. It is, at any rate, a melancholy characteristic of

vitiating the language in some points, and schoolmasters might do worse than to intructs their spelling classes, especially, in such distinctions as "affect" and "effect", the separate import of which is getting to be almost lost amongst us. The errors of the "Chronicle" text, were unfortunately, from omission of the reading, imported into our friend Hemming's letter in last issue of the "Review." Our big brother of the press will doubtless not take offence at this gentle reminder.

"Churchman's" "contempt" (for bigotry) was printed "attempt" by the Chronicle and thus repeated in the Review, but the writer had no intention of being rude to our episcopal defender.

## FREE LIBRARIES.

A matter which has been interesting the public minds for some little time past, and which has brought out some difference of opinion is the formation of Free Librari s in our Canadian Cities, Toronto having taken the initiative, Montreal has followed suit, and we can see no reason why Quebec should not interest herself as well as the others. It is unnecessary to enumerate the many advantages which we, perhaps more than some other Canadian cities, situated as we are, would derive from an enterprise of this kind. In connection with the Free Libraries already established, petitions have been sent to the Dominion Legislature asking that at least two copies of any foreign publication should he allowed to pass the customs free. The least the Government can do if they have any desire to foster enterprises of this description is to concede to these demands, that is if they the Canadian literature. It is actually become a popular cry, viz, FREE BOOKS. are not yet prepared to grant what has now