

## Short Paragraphs.

PROGRESS OF REFINEMENT.—A young woman meeting a former fellow-servant, was asked how she liked her new place. "Very well." "Then you have nothing to complain of?" "Nothing, only my master and mistress talk such very bad grammar."

HOW TO SPEAK.—Think before you speak; first, what you shall speak; secondly, why you should speak; thirdly, to whom you have to speak; fourthly, about whom (or what) you have to speak; fifthly, what will come from what you may speak; sixthly, what may be the benefit from what you shall speak; seventhly, who may be listening to what you shall speak. Put your words at your finger ends before you speak them, and turn them the seven ways mentioned before you speak them, and the unruly member, the tongue, will be brought under a system of government, calculated to modify the deadly poison which it is full of.

ALLEGORY.—A humming-bird once met a butterfly, and being pleased with the beauty of its person and glory of its wings, made an offer of perpetual friendship.

"I cannot think of it," was the reply, "as you once spurned me, and called me a drolling dolt."

"Impossible," exclaimed the humming-bird. "I always entertained the highest respect for such beautiful creatures as you."

"Perhaps you do now," said the other, "but when you insulted me, I was a caterpillar. so let me give you this piece of advice:—'Never insult the humble, as they may one day become your superiors.'"

THE BIBLE IN SCHOOLS.—The following resolution on this important subject, was recently passed by the legislature of Nova Scotia:

"This House records its respect and veneration for the Holy Scriptures, and its desire to facilitate and encourage their use in all the schools of the province. This important object is essentially in the power of the people under the Common School system, and the House be-

lieves that the use of the Bible in our schools is, at present, very general, and is steadily increasing, and the Rev. Dr Forrester, the Superintendent of Education, in his recent report has declared, in relation to this subject, that it is well and wisely provided for in the present Educational arrangements of the province, and this house is of opinion that its interference by special and coercive legislation would retard the object which it is the professed design of the resolution before the House to advance."

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS, N. B.—His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments under the Act relating to Parish Schools, 21st Vic. cap. 9:—

Henry Fisher, Esq., Chief Superintendent of Schools. George Thompson, Clerk to the Chief Superintendent. Edmund H. Duval, Inspector for the Counties of King's, Albert, and Westmorland. John Campbell, Inspector for the Counties of Queens, Charlotte, and Saint John. James M. Lauchlan, Inspector for the Counties of Victoria, Carleton, York, and Sunbury. John Bennet, Inspector for the Counties of Kent, Northumberland, Gloucester, and Restigouche.

By his Excellency's Command.

S. L. TILLEY.

Secretary's Office, 17th April, 1858.

To the readers of the Parish School Advocate.—In consequence of numerous mistakes made by the compositors, in the arrangement of the pages, etc. of the Parish School Advocate, for April, making a re-print necessary, the number for this month has been delayed, and now appears in connexion with the number for May. Much inconvenience arises in consequence of the Editor residing so far from the press, 140 miles.

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