

families and its right rests on the powers delegated to it by these families. The family is of divine origin. The state is the creation of man. "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's." The state has the right to require from the citizen loyalty to all just laws. It has also the right to see that its citizens are intelligently prepared to perform all the duties of good citizenship, and are therefore, properly educated. Beyond this it has no just right to go. It must not interfere with the conscience of the citizen or in any way curtail the right of parents to bring up their children in accordance with their conscientious convictions. But if the parents fail in their duty of properly educating their children and providing for their needs, then the state may step in and ensure the proper education and protection of the young. But these children were given to the parents by God, not by the state. Therefore, parents must render an account not to the state, but to God for the moral and religious training of their children. For the state to assume authority over these children, contrary to the wish of their parents, is nothing short of rank tyranny.

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Winnipeg, Oct. 4.

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**COLLIER'S WEEKLY WEEKLY**

To the Editor of the Northwest Review.  
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Sir,

Here are a couple of editorial notes appearing in "Collier's," the National Weekly (Canadian Edition), Oct. 7, 1905.

It is an undermining, cowardly attack against anything Catholic or of Catholic origin that is fair or leans towards the slightest measure of justice to Catholic separate schools. It does not hesitate to resort to contemptible false statements in support of such methods:

"It is now an established fact that Hudson's Bay is to play an important part in the intercolonial trade as a sea of commerce. It is no more an ice-locked sea than the Baltic, upon which both Sweden and Russia have for centuries depended largely for the development of their international trade. The Hudson's Bay route will bring the newly developed West at least a thousand miles nearer the European mart. The world is just waking to a realization of the remarkable potency of the Dominion's Western half. The Province of Manitoba, was the first section of the great Wheat Empire to develop, and the first to show the possibilities that lay beyond. It has been and is the gateway to what will be Canada's greatest, wealthiest, and most populous section. It is not only important but highly appropriate that this first Province of the new empire should have a water front on the great inland sea of the North. Yet it is denied by the Ottawa Government because Manitoba will not yield to the "expediency" intimidation which whipped the Northwest Territories' politicians into line. Assiniboia and Athabasca were both absorbed by the new Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan only because the partisans gaining power consented to distribute public funds to parochial patronage according to the pleasure of the Eastern Provinces' partisans. Over thirty years ago the Territory of Keewatin was placed under the jurisdiction of Manitoba. Now it has been taken away and placed under the protectorate of Saskatchewan for obvious reasons. This is the price which Manitoba pays for her integrity, candor, and fearless declaration for public money to public schools. Manitoba has earned the territorial extension she has asked, but so long as Sir Wilfrid Laurier demands a medieval educational policy, Manitoba must submit to her present lamentable limitations. This policy,

fortunately, however, can not long live on the world's most progressive continent. The equities of time will extend Manitoba's eastern boundary north to Knee Lake, and then by the Hill and Hayes Rivers, northeast to Port Nelson on Hudson's Bay. All of Keewatin lying north and west of that division will go to Manitoba, and the southeast section of the territory will be granted to northern Ontario. Manitoba's great day is yet to come, and her victory will be the greater because she refused to trade her democracy for a slice of Keewatin land.

The high-handed and underhanded methods of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in fastening upon the two Provinces an educational clause emphatically distasteful to an overwhelming majority of the Western voters, will yet prove to be bad and shortsighted statesmanship, even if it may possess the elements of cleverness. A country always develops faster under its own legislative prerogatives, and to gain this advantage Alberta and Saskatchewan bartered and sold their birthright to the Ottawa Government for a miserable mess of pottage. In the long measure of time history must ever be written aright and nations ultimately must undo their wrongs. The time will yet come when the Laurier folly known as the educational clause in the Autonomy Bill will shake the very foundations of Canadian stability. Alberta and Saskatchewan won their generous provincial proportions through the sacrifice of some of their law-making powers. They have dwarfed their initial greatness by that compromise. Better far be of meager measure, as is Manitoba than to expand through the contraction or total sacrifice of a fundamental democratic principle."

In justice to Canadian readers, "Collier's" has been requested to publish the following letter in rebuttal.

Gretna, Man. Oct. 7, 1905.

To the Editor of Collier's Weekly,  
Canadian Edition,  
New York.

Dear Sir,

Where ignorance is bliss, it is folly to be wise, and your articles on Canadian politics in your Weekly of date October 7, 1905, show a really sublime as well as blissful ignorance on the part of the author. But what a joke on the poor fellow, for a paper of such standing as Collier's Weekly, to commit the folly of publishing his article on "Absorb Keewatin."

There is no Act of the Dominion Parliament placing Keewatin under the jurisdiction of Manitoba. There is no Act taking Keewatin away from Manitoba and placing it under the protectorate of Saskatchewan.

The spleen of the author comes out in the second article "Contracted Principles" and he probably hails from Toronto. The name of that city has become a byword in the West for narrow minded bigotry and suspicion. A law enforced that all public schools in the Territories have their foundation stones laid with Masonic honors and the Grand Master of the Lodge presented with a silver trowel, as they have been recently doing in the Province of Manitoba, would, no doubt, meet the sanction of the fundamental democratic principles of the author. There would also be more equanimity in the new Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan if the Catholic ratepayers were compelled to pay their share of the expense, on account of their contracted principles, so emphatically distasteful to an overwhelming majority of the Western voters (as the author puts it), and yet so recently illustrated to the contrary in the Edmonton election held in Alberta, when the Hon. Mr. Oliver was elected unanimously in support of that so called shortsighted statesman, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his high handed and underhanded methods. Lord have mercy upon us and incline our hearts to keep thy ways is the prayer of

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Gretna, Oct. 7.

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(Henry Gannett in Washington Star)

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