

Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada ; that is, if there ever was one, or if there is one to-day. Where is the attack upon the Canada Methodist Church in all this ?

But even should Bishop Carman in some of his addresses, somewhere or sometime, give utterance to something not pleasing to Dr. Ryerson, is that any reason why he should denounce the whole M. E. Church and call its ministers illegitimate and bastards ? There are men among them who were born and reared amid as much respectability, social rank and wealth as ever Dr. R. could boast of, to say the least. Such language and such a spirit indicate neither piety nor good breeding. Dr. Ryerson professes to discover in the address of Bishop Carman "a bold pretension to annihilate the Methodist Church of Canada, with its Annual Conferences and General Conference."

We fancy it would very much puzzle any candid reader to discover the least trace of any such purpose in the address referred to, unless it should be the men of the Ryerson and Carroll type, who, like the wolf in the fable, are ready to invent an excuse for an attack upon the object of their traditional hate. Dr. Ryerson himself has no shadow of a reason for saying that any one connected with the M. E. Church desires the annihilation of the Methodist Church, or any one in any way connected with it. There is no truth in the assertion. It may be regarded as one of the usual reckless and flighty utterances for which the pugnacious doctor is distinguished.

The growing influence of the M. E. Church in Canada is galling to her inveterate assailant, and the circumstances and the audience at Montreal afforded in his opinion an excellent opportunity to strike a telling blow at the hateful "progeny." Calling names and casting dirt was Dr. Ryerson's