

SEQUEL TO A STRANGE EXPERIENCE.

ical method. Ten or fifteen years ago, the doctor observed, they did not know these facts, and he went on to speak in outspoken terms of the perils which the practice involves.

"Dr. Ogden concluded his speech by urging all to look to the safety of those entrusted to them."

You will see by this that Dr. Ogden and I agree perfectly on two points :

1st. That there is great danger from the promiscuous use of a common drinking cup.

2nd. That (I use his own words) all should "*look to the safety of those entrusted to them.*"

Again I agree with Dr. Ogden and other members of the medical profession when they make the statement that there is danger from the use of a communion cup, even though the communicants (as far as morality and cleanliness are concerned) are the cream of society.

Let me ask the question : That, if under such circumstances, there is danger (and the doctor has stated that he has ample proof that there is) then, in how much greater danger must the 40,000 school children of Toronto be who have to drink out of the common cup, not simply once a month (like the communicants) but *often* during every school day—not after the cream of society, but after children who come from all sorts of homes, and whose teeth and mouths are in the vile state in which Dr. Rose and myself have found many school children to be?

I have shown to physicians, school children by the score whose mouths were diseased by syphilis, which loathsome disease is just as easily communicated by the drinking cup as by association with prostitutes. I therefore wish to call the attention of my friends, Dr. Ogden and Mr. Tait, to these facts. I know they are both good reformers and believe, as I do, that no man is worthy of the name "reformer" unless he does all in his power to reform the evils with which he comes in contact.