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## ROMANISM.

NEARLY two years ago I published in the *Presbyterian* (Quarterly) *Review* a pretty full discussion of "Romanism in Canada." The article was republished in London, England, and in Nova Scotia; and the secular and religious press of Ontario has since made free use of my facts, and given considerable attention to the subject. This is so far satisfactory; but there is still urgent need of information being widely diffused upon what must be regarded as one of the vital questions of the age, and especially of our country. I therefore gladly comply with the request of the editor of the *Monthly* to aid in this work.

It is not very surprising that people generally are ignorant of Romanism. The Church believes in secrecy, and hides her designs and resources and many of her potent doings from public inspection. She denounces secret societies, and then practices what she condemns. It thus becomes extremely difficult, indeed impossible, to gain a full knowledge of her practical movements. And as to her historic past, of which she always proudly boasts, it is to most Protestants a *terra incognita*. They will not waste time, as they express it, over the musty records of bye-gone