

Abbott intoxicated," said Mrs. B. "How sad it must make Mrs. Abbott feel to think that he is fast reducing them to poverty."

"Poverty!" exclaimed Mrs. T. with a look of surprise. "Why he is the wealthiest merchant in Remington. I am sure his intemperance could not affect his wealth much. The most lamentable fact is the disgrace that it brings on the church and his family. I think we should not expose our bretheren, but should endeavor to keep their short-comings within the church."

"Whether it is called short-coming or long-coming I think we should expell all disgraceful members," said Mrs. C. "Did we not expell Mr. Ramble for intemperance?"

"But Mr. Abbott is a respectable member of society, while Mr. Ramble was not," said Mrs. T.

"Mr. Ramble was poor while Mr. Abbott is wealthy," replied Mrs. C. in a sarcastic tone.

What a fine vehicle the church is for gaining and courting wealth! Nay, even the temperance cause and all other philanthropic schemes are turned into vehicles of egoism.

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A CRITIC REVIEWED.

I have read no article more fallacious in argument, or more demoralizing in its results, than the criticism on Prof. Allen's Address.

1st. He says "That our state educational system finds no place for the so-called religious training." Verily, then, we must do away with our Mental and Moral Philosophies.

"Any sort of a religious ceremony or observance in an institution supported in whole or even in part by all the people of the state would be a gross violation of personal rights and a most unwarrantable misuse of public property." Such a state-

ment is without foundation. Scarcely a State University in the land but requires its students to attend the exercises in the Chapel. Is not the Bible read, and prayer made? Do not the most of them compel the students to attend church on Sunday, at least once a day? Has not such a by-law been passed by the Regents of our own University? Do not the various Legislatures and the Congress of the United States elect their Chaplains? Are these not "some form of religious ceremony or observance?" Verily, some do find room for palliation" and do "justify them."

2d. "That moral education follows from intellectual training." Is that true? You might as well expect grapes from thorns as that moral culture follows from intellectual training. Do we not find men devoting all their time, ingenuity and skill for the accomplishment of crime? What remarkable progress has been made in burglary—in the mode of operation, tools used, etc. The damning influence of the abortionist, learned in his profession. The wonderful skill manifested in counterfeiting money. 'Tis but a short time since the whole world was horrified by that infernal machine called the Dynamite. The case of Ruloff, who was hanged a few years ago, illustrates very clearly the contrary. It is said that he was well versed in the classics, a scientist, devoted to Philology, a study which leads one's thoughts to a higher level, a broader plain, to contemplate which ought to purify the mind and raise it beyond the gross selfishness and the hideous crimes for which his life was distinguished.

Dr. Taylor Lewis says, "Experience has abundantly shown that no amount of fact knowledge, or of the scientific knowledge in the strictest sense of the term, can give security that the man possessing it may not turn out a monster of crime and a deadly scourge to society." He further says: "No wild beast that roams the forest is so hideous and dangerous as this, nothing we know in man so strongly suggests the conception of the demoniac na-