The Sunday School Times.

EDITORIAL ROOMS.

1031 Walnut St., Philadelphia.

March 24, 1887.

My dear Sir:

Your kind notes on the subject of The Swiss Cross have amply covered the ground; and I have made a brief editorial mention of the magazine, in the light of the facts of which you have assured me.

The Agassiz Association is a wide-spread organization among our American little folks. Two of my own children belong to it. The young Editor of The Swiss Cross is, I think, unaware of the precise limits of Science and Nature. He has written to ask a notice of his own magazine from me; and I have given it accordingly.

While the articles by Mr. Cresson are not worth answering, they might do real injury among our children and youth if they were accepted as a correct statement of facts; hence my word of warning.

Thanking you sincerely for your kindness in this matter, I am

Yours with high regard

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hearts are full of hope and
the success of Christian missions. (With
numerous illustrations after the Bishop's own
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of the late Earl of Shaftesbury was well
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condition of the laboring classes and the very
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n more than any other man fell the duties
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responded most cordially—looking toward
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against what both deemed undue liberality
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told faithfully fully and affectionately in

The Agassiz Association is a widespread organization of amateur young scientists. Its plan and aim are deserving of praise, and the Association itself is capable of much good. Recently a monthly magazine, known as The Swiss Cross, has been started in the interests of The Agassiz Association, and this also has possibilities of no little good—or ill. Three numbers of this work have appeared, in each of which there is material that is worthy of a place in such a periodical, and other material that is wholly out of place. A series of articles on Early Man in America, by Mr. Hilborne T. Cresson, is a re-hash of wild hypotheses concerning aboriginal and pre-historic man, put forward in the form of positive dogma, as if they were proved and accepted truths. Nor are the views thus presented those which are agreed upon by scientists as even altogether probable. Mr. Cresson, indeed, does not seem sufficiently familiar with scientific processes or methods to distinguish clearly between a fact and a fancy. It is destructive of the true mission of The Swiss Cross to have such a writer misleading young people, who would like to know something about science as science.