



# The Standard.

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"M. E. C."

In another column will be found a communication signed "M. E. C." urging some objections to the separation of the Baltimore Conference from the Conference of the North. It is not our business to discuss the internal policy of any ecclesiastical association, until that policy breaks through the legitimate limits of the church, and strays from the proper sphere of its jurisdiction.

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