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### AN EXPLANATION.

In consequence of changes which we have thought proper to make, considerable delay has ensued in the publication of the October number of this Journal. We did hope to be able to deliver the Journal to subscribers during the month of October, but failed. The November number is also in hand, and will be published during the month. In making this announcement we must apologise to our subscribers for the delay, and at the same time assure them that in future we will endeavour to appear with regularity.

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## REGISTER OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

We trust that at the ensuing session of Parliament this very important matter of uniform registration will be fully discussed, and a bill submitted which will answer the requirements of the country. We are told it is a subject for the action of the Local Legislature; if this is the case it is a mistake which should be remedied without delay. Registration to be of use, so that vital statistics may be reliable, should be general throughout the Dominion. A general system is needed. We have observed with gratification that in our sister province of Ontario a registration act has been introduced, and is, we believe, in full operation. The other Provinces are adopting similar acts, while we in Quebec are satisfied to remain as we were