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### TO OUR READERS.

We are often struck with the quaint flashes of humour which we detect from time to time in the columns of the *Edinburgh Christian Magazine*. From the Notice to Correspondents we clip the ensuing paragraph, and, while coinciding in the general excellency of the rule laid down in regard to original poetry, we commend to the attention of our friends the suggestion it contains with regard to a most acceptable kind of *literary contribution*. We should be glad to receive many such contributions, for assuredly, the *Presbyterian* has never yet obtained that circulation among our congregations which it should enjoy. In some congregations we have a large circulation, but in others, and these influential, we have no footing. This should not be so.

### Notice to Correspondents.

"No sermons need be sent to us—nor original poetry. A list of subscribers transmitted to the publishers would be one of the most valuable literary contributions by which any well-wisher could assist this or most magazines."

### THE JUVENILE PRESBYTERIAN.

We have much reason to be gratified with the kindly greeting which has been extended to this publication by our friends. Commencing it at an unfavourable season of the year, when many Schools had com-

pleted their arrangements for publications, we yet issue the fourth number with a circulation of 1500 copies per month. Next year we look for double that number, as many of our churches, and some of them influential, have not extended a helping hand to us. We are persuaded that the *Juvenile Presbyterian* and the Orphanage movement will be productive of good to the Church. We have much encouragement to proceed with the work of preparation and publication of the Juvenile paper, and we solicit the countenance of those ministers who have not yet helped us, and the continued support of those who have already aided us. We acknowledge with thanks gratifying lists of subscribers from various quarters in New Brunswick, and we trust that the friends of our Church in Nova Scotia will also regard our publication favourably. We do not seek to interfere with any existing publication, for there is now a profitable scope for all. In our own sphere we may accomplish some good, and such is our only aim in the matter.

### THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

#### ADDRESS TO THE REV. W. SNODGRASS, AND HIS REPLY.

We have much pleasure, in finding place for the ensuing Address and Reply. We are deeply interested in watching the results of the intercourse now so aus-

piciously commenced between ourselves and our brethren in the Lower Provinces, and feel satisfied that such kindly interchanges of thought and fraternal sympathies will be productive of much good. The Synods will mutually strengthen each other and be gradually prepared for eventually standing together, as the Presbyterian Church in British North America, and watching over the *spiritual* interests of our people in these noble Provinces.

To the REV. W. SNODGRASS,

Minister

of Charlotte Town, Prince Edward Island, correspondent member from the Synod of the Church of Scotland in Nova Scotia to that in Canada.

REV. SIR.—We welcome you amongst us with the most cordial feelings of Christian sympathy and brotherly kindness, for we regard the intercourse of friends here on earth as the type of that fellowship and communion which exists between friends in heaven.

On the return of our esteemed Pastor from his visit to the sister churches last summer, it gladdened our hearts to hear his reports of your welfare and prosperity. Like ourselves you have had times of darkness and despondency, but we trust the cloud is clearing away, and the patience you have been enabled to exercise will be amply rewarded.

We rejoice in the intercourse and communion which has begun so auspiciously between the churches in Canada and the Lower Provinces, and we pray that the