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### PROFESSORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND.

It affords us satisfaction to announce that the extraordinary effort, determined upon at the last meeting of Synod with the view of obtaining by subscription the amount of £7000, has been so auspiciously commenced. The Rev. Alex. Forrester, one of the members of the deputation appointed for the purpose, visited a few of his own congregation in Halifax, on Monday, the 5th, and on Tuesday, the 9th inst., and obtained from 10 individuals subscriptions to the amount of between £300 and £400. This we hold to be a favourable starting, seeing that the Association of Halifax has averaged about a hundred every year in contributing to this fund, according to the plan hitherto in operation. And we have little doubt that as soon as the remainder of the adherents and friends of our cause in this city, can be overtaken, this amount will be more than doubled. On Wednesday the 10th, Mr. Forrester proceeded to Cornwallis, where he was joined by the Rev. Mr. Wright, Free Church Deputy. A Congregational Meeting was held on Thursday which was addressed by both these gentlemen. Though it was not intended to open the Subscription List at this meeting, the people themselves, after hearing the statements of these gentlemen, suggested the propriety of commencing immediately, and £155 were subscribed by five individuals in a few minutes. On Friday and Saturday, the adhering families in Belcher, Church, and Cunard streets, and in Upper Dyke Village, were visited, and by these subscriptions the sum now amounted to about £500. On Sabbath the 14th the Rev. Messrs. Wright and Forrester, had arranged to officiate

at Cornwallis, Waterville and Horton, but in consequence of the great inclemency of the weather, it was considered altogether unnecessary to visit the two latter places. On Monday, Mr. Wright proceeded to St John, and Mr. Forrester remained in Cornwallis, preaching in three different localities, visiting the families and receiving subscriptions, and on Thursday the subscription list showed the amount of £442. The following is an analysis of the Subscription List:—One subscriber, £50; one, £30; five, £25; one, £15; two, £12 10s.; one, £12; five, £10; two, £7 10s.; one, £6 5s.; four, £6; twelve, £5; ten, £3. We have little doubt but this list will yet reach the amount of £500, and this will be a noble contribution from a country congregation towards such an object—even one fourteenth of the whole sum that is required. But the amount is not the only matter worthy of notice in the case of Cornwallis, it was the cordiality, the enthusiasm, manifested in the whole scheme, and the determination on the part of the friends of the cause in that magnificent township to bear their due proportion of the sum to be raised. But to this view of the matter we shall recur in our next. We say, in the mean time, to all the adhering population of the Free Church “*Go and do likewise*”, and the sum will be subscribed before six months roll round.

#### CIRCULAR.

TO THE ADHERENTS AND FRIENDS OF THE FREE CHURCH IN THE LOWER PROVINCES OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

Many of you are aware that at the recent meeting of the Synod of the Free Church of Nova Scotia, we were appoint-