

most influential Protestant Churches throughout the whole of Turkey in Brusa. There is no man wealthier and more influential among the Protestants of Turkey than my recent friend. I close this letter with the words of a French Román Catholic who spoke with me on the subject at Brusa the other day. "Why are you alone here?" said he, "The Saviour sent his disciples two and two. It is high time that some of you should come out. Our preachers always go forth by two. Tell your Church that they should now stretch every nerve!"

With my most affectionate love to all your family, I am, my dear Mr. Stewart, most faithfully ever yours in Christ.

PETROS CONSTANTINIDES.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 5th, 1859.

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Just three months ago I had received £36 from a number of ladies from Scotland, with which I opened and carried out hitherto the school at Demirdesh. These ladies thought they might raise about £50 a year for the support of a teacher at Demirdesh, but I have spent some £20 out of the sum they had sent me in opening the school. I hope you will pay these expenses, and they will continue to support the teacher. Demirdesh is the support of our mission, and I think we should do all in our power to maintain the school there. *If you could not afford the expense of opening that school I will pay it out of my own salary, only let the school go on.*—I think you should give up the idea of having a school at Constantinople just now, and try to maintain the Demirdesh mission. I hope I have done nothing against the mind of the Committee, as I have always acted after I had consulted both the Rev. Mr. Thomson and my American friends here.

There is a fine young man here who was once a monk, afterwards was converted at Jerusalem, studied with me at the Malta College, was recently engaged as a colporteur here by a mis-

sionary of the Church of England to the Mohamedans, and is now very anxious to labour among his nation. The Rev. Dr. Pheander, his employer, asked me to recommend him to you, and I do it with delight, for I know that he is a man who would help our mission mightily. I must have him as a fellow-labourer, and I will write to other friends also, both in Scotland and in Malta; perhaps they might help in supporting him. Every one's opinion here is that this man should work in our mission.

I must return to Demirdesh and stay some time there, but it is evident to you that I cannot continue long there. Constantinople is the chief place, and whenever I leave it I am very anxious about it. My people here can't let me go, and I see with regret a few falling back already.—We must station a preacher at Demirdesh, and we must get a house wherein I may preach here.

You say nothing in your letter about the publication of any religious books. We have no books for our school. I hope you will not dishearten us.

The Church of Scotland has sent a missionary for the Greeks and Jews here, accompanied with a school teacher from Scotland and a young preacher from Greece. They have rented a large house already, wherein they are to have a school and to preach in Greek on every Sabbath. I hope they may prosper in the arduous work, but a school for Greeks and Jews together every one here who has the least experience in these matters well knows could never succeed. We should have a school and a place wherein we might preach in Pera, and then I am sure we might expect great things. But remember our Demirdesh school, and let me not be obliged to shut it up and destroy my work when it has reached to such an eminent height.

Most faithfully and affectionately yours,  
PETROS CONSTANTINIDES.

## NEWS OF THE CHURCH.

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNION.

We are gratified to learn that the

Joint Committee of the Presbyterian Church of this Province have met during the past week and got satisfactorily