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## ARRANGEMENTS FOR VOL. VI. OF THE *CANADIAN INDEPENDENT*.

During the recent meeting of the Congregational Union, a "Conference of the friends of the *Canadian Independent*" was held, to make arrangements for its future publication. This meeting gave gratifying evidence, in respect both of numbers and spirit, of the interest felt in the Magazine. The cheering fact was reported, that *the receipts for the past year had already nearly equalled the expenditure*, so that the guarantees given in June last would not be called for. At the same time it was mournful to hear that the Proprietor, W. MELLISH, Esq., had lost about \$250 by Vol. IV., while some *hundreds* of subscribers had not paid for Vol. V., in addition to all the arrears due for previous years.

Mr. Mellish being desirous, for many reasons, to be relieved of any further care and responsibility, measures were taken to secure a new Proprietary. No difficulty was found in obtaining the following names: Revs. H. Wilkes, D.D., K. M. Fenwick, A. Wickson, M.A., E. Ebbs; Messrs. G. Hague, and E. Kimball.

It was the unanimous wish of the "Conference," that the Rev. Thomas M. Reikie should continue his services as Editor, and he has consented so to act. It was in the same manner decided that the Magazine form should be retained. The Editor will be assisted by the former staff of stated contributors.

No change will, therefore, be made in the principles on which the *Independent* has been conducted, whether as newspaper or magazine, nor in the general arrangement of its matter, but an additional and interesting feature may be expected in the present volume, viz., a *portrait* of one of the fathers of our denomination in this country, which will appear in the January number.

A new arrangement has been made for conducting the Business Department of the Magazine, concerning which, several complaints have been received. The services of a friend have been engaged, thoroughly competent to the work, and possessing the confidence of the proprietors, who will act as their agent in receiving payments, keeping the accounts, and mailing the monthly issues. It is confidently expected that *perfect accuracy* will be thus secured in these important matters.

The Proprietors now ask the earnest and vigorous co-operation of the pastors and officers of the churches, and the many other friends of this enterprise, in gathering up the subscriptions now due (in advance) for the new volume, which