

their past exertions and present suggestions for the good of the Church, and, as requested, *cordially approve of the publication of the "Juvenile Presbyterian."*

In an increasing Subscription-list we shall look for further evidence of approval, and trust that we may be permitted so to conduct this periodical as to merit the approval of our consciences and the confidence of Christian men. In the hope of usefulness to its young readers is the *Juvenile Presbyterian* published. We ask them then to read it carefully, to work with us in procuring new subscribers to it, and in supporting orphans in the orphanages of our Church, and above all to pray for us and for our work. May all our young readers be lambs of that flock which the Great Shepherd Himself will gather in His arms and lead by still waters and through green pastures.

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One of the pleasing evidences that spiritual improvement is going on in our Provincial Church is the missionary effort that is being made by several of our Sabbath-Schools. The grand design of these institutions is to disciple the young for Jesus, as their Lord and Redeemer. To accomplish this aim it is highly important that childhood and youth be not only taught but trained. They should not merely be instructed in the knowledge of sanctifying truth, they should be encouraged and led, as far as possible, to practise those injunctions of the Divine Master which require all His followers to "look upon the things of others," to consecrate their talents to God, and to be "ready to distribute" of those means which He has entrusted to their stewardship.

It is gratifying to know that under the influence of such views several of our Sabbath-Schools have recently started in aid of the "Scottish Ladies' Association for the advancement of Female Education in India." By contributing four pounds currency a year any of our schools may have an orphan set apart as their own, for whose support and Christian instruction they thus become pledged.

Our Sabbath-school at Fergus resolved in August last that they too would try and raise the requisite sum for this purpose. They followed the plan, adopted in some other of our schools,