

What with our numerous subscription list, and the gratuitous manner in which all the copies concerned with the Editor's and Publisher's departments have hitherto been performed, there should be no difficulty in meeting regularly the expenses incurred in the publication. But from the negligence of many of our subscribers, some of whom are in arrears for two or three years, our excellent Publisher at Hamilton has been often subjected to serious inconvenience. We appeal to such parties themselves, whether this ought to be so; and we call upon all concerned to see that we are duly sustained in this our account to promote the interests of our beloved Church. Ministers, Elders, and Deacons should, we think, take a special interest in this matter; and we would request that they and our other agents will immediately exert themselves to collect and forward arrears and subscriptions, and to furnish us with correct lists of subscribers' names for their several localities. In our next No. we shall be able, we trust, to give such an outline of the Model Trust Deed as will be gathering for parties desirous to avail themselves of its provisions. We shall also give the queries which the Synod enjoined the Sustentation Board to issue—respecting the temporal management in congregations—the sequel of D. Bates' interesting tour in the West, will likewise appear.

SUSTENTATION BOARD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CANADA.

A meeting of this Board will be held (D.V.) at Hamilton, in Knox's Church there, on Thursday the 14th of January, 1877, at 10 o'clock, A.M. The attendance of members is earnestly requested, as the reports on the visitation of congregations will be submitted, and the general subject of the Sustentation of the Ministry will be considered in connexion with them. Provision will also have to be made for the visitation of the congregations of the Presbytery of Hamilton.

PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.—The ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will (D.V.) be held at Hamilton, in Knox's Church there, on the second Wednesday of January, 1877, at 12 o'clock, noon.

N. B.—The Home Mission Committee of this Presbytery meets at Hamilton, in the Session House of Knox's Church, on the first Monday of every month, at noon. All communications, by letter, respecting the Home Mission within the bounds, should be addressed to the Rev. George Cheyne, Convener. Personal applications may be made at the monthly meetings. Missionaries are requested to transmit reports of their labours to the Committee, from time to time.

HAMILTON.—**CALL TO THE REV. MR. ROBB OF HALIFAX.**—It will be seen from the notice of the proceedings of the Presbytery of Hamilton, that this interesting and influential congregation have given a call to the excellent minister above named. And it will be gratifying to the church at large, to be assured that the most delightful harmony and cordiality have characterised the movement of the congregation in this matter. We regard the promptitude and unanimity with which they have acted on this delicate and trying occasion, as a decided token for good; the sound judgment they have manifested in the choice they have made, will be acknowledged by all who know any thing of Mr. Robb's

character, talents and experience. Let them cast themselves confidently on the gracious Head of the Church, and He will doubtless graciously send them a pastor according to his own heart. By communications from Mr. Robb, the congregation have learned that their call has been submitted by him to the Presbytery of Halifax, who are to meet on the 7th January for the final determination of the matter.

HAMILTON REVISIONS BOOK REVISIONS.—We have lately had an opportunity of again inspecting the useful Establishment, which was opened last summer by Mr. D. McLellan, and we are happy to find that its original character is fully maintained by its judicious and spirited conductor. His fall importations from Glasgow and New York, have been selected with great judgment, and comprise several new Works,—such as Dr. Welch's Sermons, with Memoir, by Alexander Doolop, 1sq.; the Rev. Andrew A. Bonar's Commentary on Leviticus; the Free Church Pulpit, 1st and 2d vols.; Lectures on Foreign Churches—a course lately delivered by eminent preachers in Scotland; Calvin and Servetus, by the Rev. Mr. Tweedie, of Edinburgh; Modern India, &c., by J. A. Wylie, of Dollar; D'Aubigne's Essays and Discourses; Saw on the Confession of Faith; the Free Church Catechism; Peterson on the Shorter Catechism. In a word, Mr. McLellan's stock is well worthy of the attention of the Christian community.

GALT.—This congregation which has been so long vacant, and so severely tried in various ways, has at length united in a call to the Rev. J. G. McGregor of St. John's, New-Brunswick. Mr. McG. has intimated his acceptance of the call, and we trust an efficient settlement of this important charge will be accomplished in the Spring. Mr. McGregor has resided for several years in St. John's, and although principally engaged in teaching, took a very decided stand for Free Church principles in that country, and has rendered valuable services to the cause of the Church there, by his missionary labours.

A communication reached us some time ago, from Melbourne, C. E., intimating dissatisfaction with some statements in the Home Mission Report of the Presbytery of Montreal, respecting that locality. The document has been transmitted to the proper quarter, and further reference will be made to it, probably in our next number. It would have been noticed sooner, but for the circumstances which have intertetter with the regular publication of the Record.

WAS THE DISSENTION CALLED FOR IN CANADA? We would again call the attention of our readers to the able exposition of this question drawn up by the Rev. Mr. Bayne, of Galt, at the request of the Commission of Synod, and published some time ago. Supplies of it were forwarded by Mr. D. McLellan, of Hamilton, to the various sections of the Church, and in particular to Mr. Westland of Toronto, Mr. Milne of Cobourg, Messrs. Andrew & David Shaw of Kingston; Mr. Kennedy of Bytown; Mr. McKerris of Cornwall; Mr. Redpath of Montreal,—and the Rev. Mr. Clugston of Quebec. It is requested that these gentlemen will

report to Mr. McLellan as to the disposal of the copies transmitted to them on or before the 12th of January next.

GALT.—The congregation of the Presbyterian Church at Galt, under the pastoral care of the Rev. John Hayne, have recently transmitted a sum of upwards of sixteen pounds to Mr. Andrew Hudson, student of Divinity at Knox's College, Toronto, as a token of their esteem for him, and with a view to facilitate the prosecution of his studies for the Holy Ministry. We have great pleasure in recording this act, which is equally creditable to both parties.

MISSIONARIES.—Three Missionaries sent out by the Colonial Committee of the Free Church of Scotland to the Presbyterian Church of Canada, have recently entered on their arduous and interesting labours; Mr. Greig in the Presbytery of Kingston, Mr. Pettes in the Presbytery of Montreal, and Mr. King in the Presbytery of Hamilton—to which he has been transferred until the beginning of January by the Presbytery of Toronto, he having been originally designated to the latter. These fresh labourers come with the highest testimonials of piety and talents. We doubt not they will meet with a cordial reception among our people—and we cordially and earnestly bid them God speed—May their self-denying mission and labours be rewarded with the gain of many souls to Christ.

DR. MC CORKLE.—In the beginning of this month, the Rev. Mr. McCorkle, minister of the Free Church at St. Nivans, arrived at Toronto and immediately entered on his duties as Interim professor of Theology in Knox's College. This appointment is a fresh and encouraging token of the lively and unabated interest which the Free Church takes in the prosperity of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, which, as well as the self-denying readiness of Mr. McCorkle in leaving his family and flock to come to our aid, constitutes a peculiarly strong claim on our gratitude. We are persuaded, however, that both he and the Free Church will esteem themselves more than compensated for their efforts and sacrifices by the cheering prospects which are opening up before us of providing effectually for the Evangelisation of this land by means of a well educated and pious native ministry. On the help of the Free Church we mainly depend under God for the means of realizing these prospects,—and we hope ere long to have to announce the appointment of a suitable professor to be permanently put in charge of the Theological department. How extensive and noble a field of usefulness, such a man will possess can only be estimated in any just degree by those who are intimately acquainted with Canada, its resources, present prosperity and prospective greatness. Surely ministers and office-bearers, and the members of our churches generally, should be much and earnestly in prayer, that the Great Head of the Church would vouchsafe his special guidance and blessing to those to whom our church has delegated this all-important appointment. The Rev'd Mr. Alexander of Kirkaldy and the Rev'd Mr. McGillivray of Glasgow have also come out as deputies from the Free Church; the former is supplying the Cote Street congregation Montreal, the latter is to devote himself to the Gaelic-speaking population, to whom his services will be a great boon.