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NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE REGISTER.

Every person is aware of the important influence exercised by the press in the present day. To the necessity of employing it in the interests of godliness the friends of Christ are not generally insensible, so that while the enemy of souls is everywhere active, and finds corrupt literature one of his most effectual instruments, it is gratifying, that to so large an extent the press is employed in counteracting error, in opposing vice, and in advancing the kingdom of the Redeemer. Our Church has from its foundation felt the importance of enlisting this powerful engine in the work in which she is engaged; yet it must be admitted that she has not been so successful in employing it as her best friends have wished. The matter was before the Synod at last meeting, when steps were taken which we trust will be the means of supplying the want that has hitherto been felt. As to a newspaper, arrangements have been made by which the Presbyterian Witness will, it is confidently hoped, meet the wishes of Presbyterians generally, as a newspaper. The position which that periodical occupies in common to different Presbyterians will render unnecessary other periodicals in connexion with each body for the

promotion of their respective schemes and the elucidation of their distinctive principles. The Synod therefore remitted to the Foreign Mission Board to take steps to continue the Register, and if practicable, to take measures to publish at the same time a larger edition. The Board have accordingly taken the matter into serious consideration, and the Home Board having taken a share of the responsibility, the following arrangements have been made for the ensuing year.

The necessity of a publication like the Register in its present cheap form, and thus within the reach of the poorest member of our Church, is universally admitted. It has therefore been determined that an edition of the same size shall be published at the same price, viz: 1s. 6d. each for single copies, and 1s. 3d. per copy for quantities of not less than six copies. This will contain full information regarding the schemes of our Church, particularly its Home and Foreign Mission, and such an amount of general missionary reading as our space will permit.

It has been felt, however, that something more is necessary to meet the wants of our Church. It has therefore been resolved to issue a larger edition. This will contain 48 pages of the same size and form as the