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TO OUR READERS.

The present number of the *Register*, implements our portion of the *contract* with Subscribers for 1852; but as we propose its renewal for another year, it is proper to state the precise terms on which this proposal is entertained. Our Readers must be perfectly satisfied, that the present charge does not admit of reduction. The necessary expenses for printing and distribution, would require the entire issue of 1750 copies monthly, to be paid in advance. Editorial services are given gratuitously, and a considerable number of copies are distributed *freely* in exchange for similar periodicals, and in such quarters as the Board of Foreign Missions consider entitled to receive them. Were it not for the many *important*, though *indirect* benefits which flow from the maintenance of such a publication as the *Register*, the Board would never have projected, neither would they continue to uphold, its issue. Our numerous friends might easily render it a source of income, instead of, as now, a source of expenditure. Give us but two thousand prompt and faithful subscribers, and this most desirable object would be secured. Our last year's accounts are still, to a considerable extent, unsettled, although no Subscriber could well be ignorant that payment was expected in advance. And after all, there

is no greater difficulty in pre-payment, than in after-payment, especially, where the sum is so small as one quarter dollar for one year. We anticipate then, not only the speedy remittance of all sums for 1852, but that for 1853, every Subscriber will be forward to comply with our terms. Agents in the different parts of the Province will please, make vigorous effort, to complete and remit their subscription lists to Mr John D. McDonald, the publisher for the ensuing year. To avoid disappointment on the part of our present Patrons, the number of copies to be issued, for January and February, will be as now arranged, but afterwards, the issue will be regulated by the number of *paid subscriptions*.

After a year's experience of associate Editorship, the Board have found that the most desirable course is, to commit the sole responsibility of Editing to one individual, with the distinct understanding, that whenever absence from home or other necessary hindrance may interfere with his discharge of duty, one or more of the Brethren in the ministry, will be prepared to take his place. The individual who has been selected for the honorable but onerous office of sole Editor, is quite sensible that he owes this preeminence, to the particular locality to which, in the Providence of God, his ministry has been set apart.