

# PROSPECTUS OF **The Evangelical Pioneer,**

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DEVOTED TO RELIGION, MORALS, LITERATURE, AND SOCIAL IMPROVEMENT.

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On January 1, 1848, will be published at London, C. W., the first number of a weekly journal under the above title. It is designed that it shall be distinctively a religious paper, and that as a religious paper, it shall preserve a decidedly Evangelical tone. Holding up and illustrating a primitive Christianity, vindicating the doctrines of grace through a crucified Redeemer, urging the claims of spiritual religion, and exhibiting the high standard of christian character as it is established in the Word of God, the *Evangelical Pioneer* will take its place as a humble witness for Christ, and labour to promote the spirituality, enlightenment, unity and efficiency of the churches. The uneasy and unprofitable discussions of the mere polemic will be avoided, but a firm stand will be taken against the doctrinal laxity, and the practical corruptions which exhaust the vigor of the Church and tarnish its lustre.

Thus pledged to maintain the whole truth, and aiming at a revival of Scriptural religion, its columns are consecrated to the glory of God and the good of man. From its advocacy of the truth all bitterness and wrath and clamor and evil-speaking will be excluded. Its catholic aim does not, however, demand the suppression of principles for which an appeal can be made to "the law and the testimony."—The *Evangelical Pioneer* may therefore, at once be recognized as a witness for the institutions of Christ, and the organization of His Church, as these have been contended for by Regular Baptists. The Holy Scriptures will be held as the broad basis of union and the only rule of faith and practice to Christians. And it may be added, that while all bitterness will be shunned in the maintenance of these institutions and that organization, they will be held in all respects, as the positive appointments of our Lord, which we have no right to modify, and which we dare not compromise.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE will occupy a prominent place in its columns. So far as space admits its readers will be kept informed of the prospects and progress of Christianity in the world. Special efforts will be made to exhibit the state of religion in the province, and to make the churches acquainted with each other's condition.

MORAL AND SOCIAL REFORM as being closely allied to religious progress, and inseparable from the exhibition of Christian duty, will be watched and advocated. The *Evangelical Pioneer* will not be a political paper in a party sense. But where religious liberty or the rights of conscience are concerned, its voice will "give no uncertain sound." The fundamental interests of public education, temperance, and all true social reform will be cordially supported.

LITERATURE AND SCIENCE will receive due attention, especially as the latter may be brought to bear upon Agriculture and the arts of life.

Pains will be taken to make, from time to time, a correct exhibition of the state and progress of Agriculture in the Province. The *Pioneer* may thus aid in developing the vast resources of this region, stimulating enterprise among ourselves, and calling the attention of emigrants and capitalists to its natural advantages.

GENERAL NEWS properly claim a place in such a paper, and, with the advantages of the Electric Telegraph now in operation, the earliest intelligence on all matters of public interest at home or abroad, can safely be promised. Care will be taken that its intelligence of markets, prices current, and all that affects the interests of the Farmer or the Merchant shall be at once ample and worthy of confidence.

The entertainment of the family circle and the improvement of the young will, as far as practicable, be provided for, and a varied correspondence from important points in Europe and on the American continent will be secured.

TERMS.—The *Evangelical Pioneer* will be published every Saturday, commencing with the first Saturday in January 1848. Price 10s. a year, payable at the commencement of the volume; 12s. 6d. if payment is delayed beyond six months; and 15s. if delayed beyond the end of the volume.

It is intended that in point of size, amount of reading matter, and typographical execution, it shall be equal to any in the province, so that a large circulation must be relied on to sustain it at such a price.

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