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ERRATUM.

In the article in our last, headed Extract from the "Canadian Presbyter," last paragraph, the word "unscriptural" occurs twice for the word unspiritual.

DEMISSION.

We regret to learn that the Rev. John Robb, minister at Chatham, C.W., is under the necessity of applying to be allowed to resign his charge in consequence of ill health, under which he has been labouring for some months, and which completely unfits him for the discharge of active duty.

WITHDRAWAL OF DEMISSION.

We understand that the Rev. William McHutchison, minister at Beckwith, has been prevailed upon to withdraw his resignation in the meantime. The Presbytery of Bathurst have kindly and considerely given him leave of absence for three months. We sincerely hope that by the end of that period his health will be so recruited as to enable him to resume his duties to his flock, by whom he is very much beloved

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

The Convener of the Synod's Committee has received returns on this very important subject from the Superintendents of six Sabbath Schools. We hope all Superintendents will forward their returns in good time, so that the Committee may not be inconvenienced in the making-up of their report for the next meeting of Synod. All returns are requested to be made before the 1st of March.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

We have much pleasure in learning that there is the prospect of securing for the chair of Natural History in Queen's College, the services of a gentleman of the highest scientific attainments, and who has long assisted Professor Balfour of Edinburgh, by whom he is strongly recommended. Such an appointment would greatly advance the interests of Queen's College, and at the same time prove a benefit to Canada.

The gentleman alluded to is also an Elder of the Church of Scotland.

TRIENNIAL NOMINATION FOR THE TRUSTEESHIP OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE, KINGSTON.

Circulars have been issued by authority

of the Trustees of Queen's College, calling the attention of ministers to the nomination, by each congregation on the Synod roll, of a "fit and discreet" person who shall be eligible, in virtue of this nomination, to fill the office of Trustee. The Royal Charter of Queen's College requires the nomination to be made once every three years. The circular recently issued very properly calls the attention of ministers to the fact that this year the time has again arrived for the nomination to be made, and requests that returns be given to the Secretary as early as convenient, and not later than the 1st May next. We hope that due attention will be paid to this most important matter. We believe that hitherto it has been quietly overlooked. Our congregations are invested with certain privileges in connection with it, and it is right and becoming for them to exercise them, in accordance with the provisions of the Royal Charter. They should choose the fittest men they can get for this high and important office. As the whole Church is interested, it may not be out of place to transcribe from the Royal Charter the clauses in which provision is made for the election of Trustees.

" And the new members of the Board,