

College at Cobourg, or any other church or sectarian institution in the Province, believing that such uses of public property tend to corruption in churches and wicked intrigues in the State.

SUPPLY OF MINISTERS IN THE UNITED STATES.

The *Foreign Missionary* gives the following table as exhibiting the comparative supply of evangelical ministers for the population in the United States at different periods, and showing that the supply is now much better than it was twenty-eight years ago. "Only the travelling preachers of the Methodist churches are enumerated, the anti mission, and some other Baptist ministers, are not included; the licentiate preachers of the Presbyterian churches are included."

	<i>Evangelical Ministers.</i>	<i>Population.</i>	<i>Relative Supply.</i>
1832	9,637	13,713,242	1 to 1,437
1843	17,076	18,768,822	1 " 1,093
1854	26,252	25,953,000	1 " 988
1860	31,338	31,000,000	1 " 986

THE MAGAZINE.

The Editor of the *Magazine*, being about to return to Scotland, finds it necessary to relinquish his office. Part of the present Number has been arranged by him. The remainder, and the subsequent Numbers, will be under the charge of friends, who, he feels confident, will faithfully and efficiently supply his place. He cannot retire without thanking the readers, and the few highly valued contributors, for their indulgence and kindness. His special acknowledgments, also, are due to those disinterested and zealous coadjutors, by whom the publishing has been so admirably managed. He, at the same time, begs forgiveness of all the omissions and faults with which he may have been chargeable. It is with great pleasure that he states that the debt formerly incurred on account of the *Magazine* has been paid. The Title will henceforth not be strictly appropriate, but it cannot well be changed in the middle of a volume.

At the end of last year, it was mentioned that some were of opinion that two Periodicals ought to be maintained in the church—one for Intelligence, the other for Discussion. That opinion is still frequently expressed. It will be for those who entertain it, to take such steps as they may think proper to determine whether it shall be realised. The main question seems to be, Whether a sufficient number of really paying subscribers could be procured. It would be well that an early opportunity were embraced for ascertaining how the matter stands. The point ought to be settled, at all events, not later than October. A good deal of trouble, and probably of loss, would be prevented by carrying on such a magazine as this, with such alterations and amendments as might seem desirable, instead of starting a new one some time afterwards. But the whole question is perfectly open. The Editor has no other wish than that the public good be consulted and promoted.