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We have not been disappointed in our anticipations expressed in our last number, as we feel ourselves agreeably called upon to again acknowledge the promptness with which so many of our subscribers have forwarded to us their arrears, or payment in advance. The Subscription List in our present number shows that an amount, nearly equal to that remitted during January, has come to hand during the month of February. We find that, notwithstanding these prompt remittances by numerous parties, a considerable amount of arrears still appears on our Despatch Book; and we are not a little surprised to find that certain parties, when they have thought proper to discontinue our periodical, as intimated to us from time to time by the receipt of the Local Postmasters' circulars having the blanks filled up with "Not called for," or "Refused," have entirely forgotten to settle their arrears for one or more years.

The lengthy poem on "II. Kings, from 24th verse of the VIth chapter to the end of the VIIth," and two communications from Kingston, are under consideration.

"Churchyard Gleanings," No. 3, and a few communications from esteemed correspondents, will appear in our next issue.

We are obliged to our Toronto friend for furnishing us with the *clippings*, and we hope that he will continue to indebted us with such favours.

N. B.—We have to acknowledge that we failed in deciphering correctly a word in the Original Poetry, "On the close of the Year," in our last issue. Instead of

"While 'neath his frozen heel
All verdant borders found a tomb;"
It should be—
"All verdant *lovelies* found a tomb."

We were somewhat puzzled, and substituted *borders*. The word *lovelies* (used substantively for *beauties*) is certainly bold, and may be poetical; and there may be authority for its use.

We find also that at page 10, under "Christian Nautical Memoranda," the meaning was considerably altered by substituting "the village port should make him address his messmates," instead of "the village poet," &c. At page 26, under "Churchyard Gleanings," read, "grief may make thee marble too," instead of "mark;" and for "precious piles of sandy dust," read "lovely."

THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

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Treasurer.

About thirty Congregations have not yet sent in their contributions. They are requested to do so without any further delay.

PRESBYTERY OF GLENGARY.

Our Presbytery met at Martintown on the 21st of January. Mr. MacPherson and Mr. McLean reported that in accordance with the instructions of Presbytery they proceeded to Lochiel, and on Sabbath, the 19th day of October last, dispensed the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in that place. They were happy to inform the Presbytery that, unpropitious as the weather was, an immense multitude

assembled on the occasion. On the Lord's Day there were present upwards of a thousand souls, listening with earnest attention, and they trust, with much benefit, to the Word of God. They have also great pleasure in intimating to their Brethren of the Presbytery their kind reception by the People of Lochiel, who are strongly attached to the Church of their Fathers. And, finally, they would beg leave to press most earnestly upon the Presbytery the necessity of repeating their application a few years ago to the Colonial Committee of the Church of Scotland for a Gaelic Minister for this populous and most interesting Congregation, who, though sorely tried, still continue firm adherents to our Body.

A Deputation from the Congregation of Martintown compeared, and stated to the Presbytery, that it was the unanimous wish of said Congregation to retain the services of Mr. McLaurin, their Minister, and that with this view they had exerted themselves to make his income equal to that mentioned in the Bond when he took charge of the Congregation in 1840: and notwithstanding the secession of members, and the death and removal of others, the Deputation are happy to have it in their power to say that the number of subscribers now adhering is larger than at Mr. McLaurin's induction. Whereupon, after due and solemn deliberation, it was moved by Mr. McKenzie, seconded by Mr. Monro, and unanimously agreed to—That, in consequence of the satisfactory statement from the Deputation of the Congregation of Martintown laid this day before the Presbytery, and Mr. McLaurin having left the case entirely in the hands of his Brethren of the Presbytery, the Presbytery hereby enjoin Mr. McLaurin to remain in his present charge, and instruct the Clerk to return the Call and Bond from the Cou-