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The main object of the Christian Examiner will be to supply the Presbyterian population of Canada, with such illustrations of the doctrinal views of Divine truth, and of the scheme of Christian polity taught and followed by the Church of Scotland—with such information of the agents at work in various parts of the world for the propagation of the gospel—and with such reflections on local affairs, as may seem worthy of a place in a periodical, having the spiritual interests of men more immediately in view.

The circumstances of the Presbyterian body in this Province seem, on many accounts, to require the aid of the press. Numbers of that communion are scattered throughout various parts of its extended territory, who cannot, for the present, enjoy that pastoral superintendence with which they were blessed, in early life, in their native land. Set-

tled in thinly peopled districts, and among persons collected from various countries, and following a variety of conflicting creeds—they cannot support the ministrations of their own church, nor can they profitably join in fellowship with others from whom they may differ very widely, both in doctrine and ritual. It may be of some avail to counteract the dangers arising from such causes, to put into their hands a work, which shall assist in keeping sacred things in their remembrance—which shall preserve them united in doctrine and affection with the church of their fathers—and cheer them, by accounts of its establishment in other parts of the province, with the hope that it will ere long be planted among them.

Even to those who are blessed with the regular ministration of christian ordinances, such a work, as that now proposed, may be of much advantage for bringing before them the discussion of many important topics, which can sel-