

In subordination, therefore, to this central idea of CHRIST, the CHRISTIAN MONTHLY will aim at the following work:—

1. Editorial articles, simple and short, in which questions of living, practical interest are reviewed and discussed from the view-point of evangelical christianity.

2. Contributions from the pens of Canadian writers, of whom we have not a few capable of doing good service in christian literature.

3. Intelligence, broad and general rather than minute, of the work of the Protestant Church at home and abroad, drawing attention chiefly to important movements where great principles are at stake, or great qualities of action or endurance manifested.

4. Sermons by living preachers, Canadian, British and Foreign.

5. Christian opinion of our day in the shape of extracts from such new books as are attracting public notice and as are not easily accessible to country readers in Canada.

6. Selections from the christian periodical literature of the day, which is every year becoming more and more rich in the elements of taste, scholarship and piety, as the church is rousing itself to seize the periodical press as a department of its work for Christ.

7. Narrative and biography of eminent Christians, so attractive always to old and young, to gentle and simple, when simply and truthfully written.

This is simply a general outline of the work proposed to be done, given here, that the reader may know what to look for, and that the Editor may know what to work for in the future. That men come short in realizing their plans we all painfully know, but it is well for the editor, like the sculptor, to work with his model constantly in view. It is not surely unreasonable to ask the help of Christians of various denominations throughout Canada to make this magazine an instrument for good in the land, by taking it, by carefully reading it, by keeping the numbers and binding them into volumes for family reading, by speaking a kind word to their friends in its behalf, and by asking Him who shapes our ends, rough hew them how we will, to bless it to the advancement of His Kingdom.

PUBLISHER'S STATEMENT.

IN issuing the "GOOD NEWS" under the name of "THE CHRISTIAN MONTHLY," the publisher thinks it necessary to give subscribers a few words of explanation. Subscribers will therefore please notice that all Mr. Kennedy's periodicals have ceased save this *Monthly*. It is necessary to concentrate all the energy, available for the enterprise, on the successor of GOOD NEWS to place it on a good footing. Subscribers to the semi-monthly GOOD NEWS will consider it, generally speaking, no less to get their paper for the future in its more compact monthly form. GLAD TIDINGS was never much sought after, and for the difference in price, subscribers to it will generally transfer their names to the CHRISTIAN MONTHLY list. The little 15 cent paper, EVANGELIZER, was doing a good work. It is with regret we must at present drop it also; but as Mrs. Kennedy suggests