

THE MONTHLY RECORD

OF THE

Church of Scotland

IN

NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK, & ADJOINING PROVINCES.

VOL. XVII.

DECEMBER, 1871.

No. 12.

"IF I FORGET TREE, O JERUSALEM! LET MY RIGHT HAND FORGET ITS CUNNING."—PS. 137: 5.

ANOTHER year has now come to an end in the history of our Church. As on former occasions we have had much for which to thank God. We have not had so many accessions to the ranks of the ministry as we could wish. Many of our charges are still unprovided with the regular supply of ordinances, but still in the midst of urgent appeals from many other quarters, the Colonial Committee has been able to send us some accessions, and we hope shortly, through the combined exertions of the Colonial Committee and the Home Mission Board, to have our somewhat thinned ranks still further reinforced. Good work has been done in the Church at large, which will bear much fruit "many days hence." We hope and trust that the *Record* has in no small degree added to the prosperity of the Church during the past year, and every endeavour will be made in the future to cause it to discharge yet more efficiently than ever the important function of the organ of the Church.

DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.

The Governors of Dalhousie College circulated an appeal last month among a number of the friends of higher education, for an increase to their funds to enable them to meet the loss of £200 of revenue, from the transfer of the Post Office to the new Building, and to purchase apparatus, additions to the library, &c., &c. This appeal has been very liberally responded to by men of all denominations in the city of Halifax, in the form of subscriptions of so much a year for five years, beginning with this 1871.—Some who did not wish to bind themselves for so long, have simply given donations now of larger amounts. But enough to meet the requirements of a higher standard of Collegiate education has not yet been subscribed, and as we know that Dalhousie has its warmest friends in the country, and receives the greater number of its students from the Lower Provinces generally, we trust that not a few of our readers will send forward their contributions to the Secretary,