

taining or denying the power of the civil magistrate as the case may be. Asking union with a Church in one breath and taunting it as Erastian, or bond, or dead, in another. What fruit but disappointment can such inconsistency produce?

We are glad to observe that our excellent friend the Rev. Mr. Nicol, late of St. John's, Newfoundland, is building up a flourishing congregation in London, Canada. We see from the Presbyterian that he has collected nearly £500 towards the erection of a new church, exclusive of a very handsome sum raised in Scotland. The new church was to have been opened last month.

The Rev. A. Stewart, late of Chatham, N. B., has been inducted to the pastoral charge of Hornby, in the Presbytery of Toronto.

The Rev. J. A. Murray, of Annapolis, a minister of the Presbyterian or late U. P. Church, has joined the Church of Scotland, and accepted a call from Bathurst, New Brunswick.

We hear from every quarter that our new missionaries have been laboring in their respective spheres with great assiduity and success. We hope in an early number to have a report of their labors, and give our readers some definite information with regard to the prospects and intentions of the many vacant congregations among which they are preaching the word of life.

We beg to thank our agents for the efforts they have made to keep up and extend our circulation. To many of the congregations in New Brunswick we are particularly indebted in this respect. As we expected, our prepayment system, has, we hope, only temporarily, affected our circulation. But the truth is, we could not afford to give away one-third of our circulation gratis, more especially as it is published at a price which barely pays the printer. We thank those ministers who have taken an interest in the success of their Church's periodical. They will find, we hope, that they have thus been benefiting their congregations, and therefore themselves. There are, we regret to say, ministers who, so far as we know, have never been the means of securing for us a single subscriber. We would appeal to these clergymen whether by acting thus, they are acting fairly towards their congregations, or doing their duty towards their Church. Indeed, our subscription list, if we mistake not, would exhibit a very tolerable thermometer of the vitality of the Churches in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward's Island. The ratio of the circulation of the *Record*, and the liberality of the particular church would, in most instances, be pretty nearly equal. We ask no reason to take the *Record*, as if con-

ferring a favor on us. We are the favoring party. We give the Church no small portion of our time and labor, and we ask earnestly all to accept of the result, believing that they will profit thereby. Once more we respectfully and very urgently request ministers and missionaries, and elders, to recommend the circulation of the *Record*, while they may be making their rounds of visitation, or at any other convenient season. Surely our request is a reasonable and an unselfish one. By this means our circulation might be trebled in three or four months.

One word with regard to the new form. We ourselves have heard, and the Secretary informs us, that complaints innumerable have reached him with regard to the change, all regretting and strongly deprecating it. We have simply to say, that if there is a general desire to return to the monthly form, it will, without hesitation, be complied with. We therefore invite agents and subscribers to make known their opinions on the subject, and by these we will be guided. If it is the wish of our readers, we will go back to the form of last year on the first of next month. The only advantage the present is to us personally, is that it involves a considerable increase of labor. Any notice on this subject may be addressed to Mr. Jack, Secretary.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE

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The letters recently received from this station represent most of the brethren as still suffering from ague and fever, yet prosecuting their work according to their ability; and having the satisfaction to report that in the midst of their weakness the blessing of the Lord is not altogether withheld from them. May he bless all their agencies yet more abundantly, and overrule the afflictions with which He has visited them for their own spiritual good and prosperity of their work. The following extract from a letter of Mr. Seillinger, of date 22nd October, gives the most recent intelligence respecting the state of the Mission:—

"I had to prolong the vacation for some weeks more than I intended, but now I have been able to commence work again. Though the Lord has been pleased thus to afflict me, yet has He not allowed my school to fall off. Several of my former pupils have indeed been withdrawn, some by death and some by removal elsewhere, but there have entered instead 8 Jews, 5 Catholics and 5 Greeks, so that the school is as large as ever. A Jewish rabbi has induced 6 children of wealthier parents to enter, and these, as well as others in similar circumstances, I hope to make pay for the instruction they receive.

It appears I had made a mistake in my last letter. I intended to write "Mrs. Crosbie