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## PRESBYTERY OF COBOURG.

This Presbytery will meet at Cobourg, on Monday, December, the 28th, at 2 P. M.; at Colborne, Tuesday, 29th at 11 A. M.; at Brighton, Wednesday, the 30th at 11 A. M.

JAMES BOWIE, Pres. Clerk.

# PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Toronto, on Wednesday, 2nd day of December, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

T. WIGHTMAN, Pres. Clerk.

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The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held in Montreal, on the fourth Wednesday of January, 1858.

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The next meeting of this Preshytery will be held on the second Tuesday of January, 1858, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

J. A. THOMSON, Pres. Clerk.

#### PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at London, on the first Tuesday of January, 1858, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

J. Scott, Pres. Clerk.

## PRESBYTERY OF HAMILTON.

The next ordinary meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Hamilton, on the second Tuesday of January, 1858, at 2 o'clock, P.M.

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All communications connected with the Record and the Several Schemes of the Church, to be addressed to "REV. W. REID, OFFICE OF THE MISSIONARY AND ECCLESIASTICAL RECORD," King Street, Toronto.

## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications intended for the Record, should be in the Editor's hands by the 15th of the month. NEW VOLUME OF "RECORD"—REDUC-TION OF PRICE

Although the circulation of the Record has been constantly increasing, we are still anxious that it should be more extensively read. We believe, that in this way, by the blessing of God, a deeper interest may be awakened in the cause of Christ, and a more extended support given to its various agencies. So thoroughly are we convinced of this, that we would be glad to have the Record distributed gratuitously throughout our congregations. This, however, cannot now be done. But in order to put it within the reach of all, it has been resolved to reduce the yearly subscription to half a dollar ustead of Ss. 9d. as formerly charged. The object of this is to increase the circulation, and facilitate the payment of the subscriptions. This plan is, however, on experiment, and to render it successful, two things are required. In the first place, the subscription must be paid strictly in advance. In the second place, the number of subscribers must be increased. We therefore earnestly solicit the co-operation of the Ministers, Elders, Agents, and all our friends throughout the congregations of the Church. We trust the agents who have hitherto kindly taken an interest in the matter, will still con-tinue to act, and that where there are no agents, Sessions will make arrangements to appoint them and communicate to us their names so that we may be enabled, in an early number, to publish a list of agents. In the meantime, it will be easy for two or more subscribers, to remit the amount in dollar bills, or, which is better, in post-office orders. We are most anxious that the arrears should be paid without delay; and we trust that, during the present month, subscriptions for the ensuing year will be forwarded, so that our lists may be made up. As to the increase of subscribers, as we cannot employ travelling agents, we must just beg of ministers and agents to do what they can to obtain additional names. We might suggest, too, that each subscriber should try to obtain one or more additional,

It will be seen that the present volume is commenced in a new, and we believe an improved form. Instead of the receipts of moneys and advertisements being mixed up with the reading matter, they are thrown into the outside sheet, which may be laid aside if the volume is to be bound. Advertisements will be inserted on moderate terms.

Other improvements in the form may be introduced afterwards, if the present experiment is successful.

We expect to receive in a greater degree than formerly, assistance from friends and correspondents in supplying matter for the Record. We, therefore, carnestly request that friends will exert themselves to promote the circulation of the Record throughout all our congregations. We can saill supply the November number to new subscribers.