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be written on one side of the paper only.  
We cannot undertake to receive or reject com-  
munications. Correspondents must invariably  
be used confidentially, their names and address.  
Letters must be Post-paid, or they will not  
be taken out of the Post Office.

Adjutants and Officers of Companies throughout the  
Provinces are particularly requested to favor us  
regularly with weekly information concerning  
movements and doings of their respective  
Companies, including the fixtures for drill, marching,  
rifle practice, &c.  
We shall feel obliged to such correspondents to  
forward all information of this kind as early as possible, so that  
we may reach our readers in time for publication.

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**PROSPECTUS FOR 1876 OF THE  
"WITNESS."**

THE friends of healthy literature have, by per-  
severing diligence, placed the *Montreal Witness*  
in the very first rank of newspapers. The  
rapid growth of trashy reading, and of what is  
lively, stimulating, good people to more  
noble efforts than ever to fill every household  
with sound mental food. A clergyman has lately  
addressed for the *Witness* hundreds of subscribers,  
declares his intention to make this one of  
his first duties in his present and every future  
life of labor, as he holds that by no other means  
could he do so much for the future of a neigh-  
borhood as by placing good reading in every  
house.  
Successive attacks upon the *Witness* during  
the last three years, culminating in  
what has been called "The Ban" of the Roman  
Catholic hierarchy of Montreal; although not other-  
wise desirable circumstances, have done a great  
deal to concentrate and intensify the zeal of the  
readers of Temperance and religious liberty in

favor of the *Witness*. Indeed, the fact that the  
last assault has been followed up for six months  
with the most untiring efforts to break down  
the paper on the part of the most powerful moral  
opposition that could be organized on earth, and  
has resulted in cutting us off from some, at least,  
of those Roman Catholic readers whose good  
will we formerly enjoyed and highly prized, give  
us perhaps, some claim on the kind offices of  
those who value free speech and freedom of reli-  
gious belief. The actual diminution of the circula-  
tion of the *Daily Witness* is, of course, compar-  
atively small, amounting to about 500 out of 13,000,  
or less than four per cent., and does not affect us  
peculiarly, as we can still claim a circulation  
equal in volume to that of all the rest of the daily  
city press, probably the majority of our old Ro-  
man Catholic reading being such still.

The progress of the paper may be gathered  
approximately from the following figures:

	Cir. Dally.		Cir. Semi-Weekly		Ir. Weekly	
	1st Sept.	1st Sept.	1st Sept.	1st Sept.	1st Sept.	1st Sept.
1871,	16,700	8,000	8,000	8,000		
1872,	10,000	4,000	4,000	4,000		
1873,	11,000	5,000	5,000	5,000		
1874,	12,900	6,500	6,500	6,500		
1875,	12,499	8,200	8,200	8,200		

We have good reasons to be especially desirous  
to reach the whole country this winter, and have  
the *Witness* presented earnestly to the notice  
of every family. To this end we have determined  
to depart from the usual course of allowing our  
publications to commend themselves on their  
merits alone, and to inaugurate on a large scale a  
competitive effort on the part of all our subscrib-  
ers to increase the subscription list. This com-  
petition will last during the month of October, and  
will be open to all. The list of prizes will be found  
below.

If this comes to any who are not familiar with  
the *Witness*, we may say that for twenty-nine  
years it has labored for the promotion of evangeli-  
cal truth, and for the suppression of the liquor  
traffic. Our effort is to produce a *Christian Tem-  
perance Newspaper*, unattached to any political  
party or religious denomination, seeking only to  
witness fearlessly for the truth and against evil  
doing under all circumstances, and to keep its  
readers abreast with the news and the knowledge  
of the day. It devotes much space to Social,  
Agricultural and Sanitary matters, and is espe-  
cially the paper for the home circle. It is freely  
embellished with engravings.  
The *Weekly Witness* has been enlarged twice,  
and nearly doubled within four years, and is  
the very most that can be given for the price—\$1.10  
per annum.

The *Montreal Witness* (Tri-Weekly), gives the  
news three times a week, and all the reading of  
the *Daily Witness* for \$2.00 per annum.

The *Daily Witness* is in every respect a first-  
class daily containing much more reading mat-  
ter than the papers which cost twice as much,  
for \$3.00 per annum.

All of course, are post-paid by Publishers.  
Subscribers remitting new subscriptions beside  
their own are entitled to the following discounts  
on such subscriptions:  
Dally Witness . . . . . 50c.  
Tri-Weekly . . . . . 35c.  
Weekly . . . . . 25c.

**PROSPECTUS FOR 1876 OF THE "CA-  
NADIAN MESSENGER."**

**THE PIONEER PAPER.**  
The *Messenger* is designed to supply the homes  
of the Sunday School scholars of America with  
family reading of the most useful and interest-  
ing sort at the lowest possible cost. It consists of  
eight pages of four columns each, and contains a  
Temperance department, a Scientific department,  
a Sanitary department, and an Agricultural de-  
partment. Two pages are given to family read-  
ing, two to tales in large type for children, and

one to the Sunday School lessons of the Inter-  
national Series, and a children's column. The  
paper is magnificently illustrated. There has  
been a very rapid increase in its circulation dur-  
ing the past year, namely, from 16,000 to 20,000,  
and the rate of increase rises so rapidly that the  
proprietors have sanguine hopes of doubling the  
latter figure before the end of next year. This  
has been, as a result of this prosperity, some im-  
provement in the style of the paper, and it will,  
of course, be possible to introduce more and more  
improvements as circulation grows. Most of the  
growth of the *Messenger* has been by the volun-  
tary recommendation of it by friends who have  
formed their own opinion of its worth, and the  
introduction of it into Sunday Schools. Your  
correspondents say that their Sunday Schools are  
more interesting and better attended since it has  
been introduced.

The following are the prices of the *Messenger*:

1 copy . . . . .	\$ 0 20
10 copies . . . . .	2 50
25 copies . . . . .	6 00
50 copies . . . . .	11 50
100 copies . . . . .	22 00
1,000 copies . . . . .	200 00

Surplus copies for distribution as tracts, twelve  
dozen for \$1.

**PROSPECTUS FOR 1876 OF THE "NA-  
TIONAL MONTHLY."**

In general style and appearance the *National*  
has, during the last few months, very consider-  
ably improved, and it is intended to improve  
the present as much as the present is an im-  
provement on the past, and the *Magazine* of  
next year will be read with an ease and pleas-  
ure greater than hitherto. When we say that the  
improvements are not to be marked by an  
change of price, we refer to the full price of \$1.  
per annum. Hitherto the *National* has been  
clubbed with the "Weekly *Witness*" at \$1.00  
which will be simply impossible to continue  
now that one fifth has been added to its bul-  
k along with better paper and printing. The *Dom-  
inion* is henceforth to be clubbed with the "Wit-  
ness" at \$1.25, and is better worth its cost than  
ever before. Twenty-five cents, instead of fifty  
will be the discount allowed to friends obtain-  
ing for us new subscribers at full rates, the induc-  
ments to subscribers being now put into the  
*Magazine* itself. The object of the publishers of  
the  *Dominion* is to develop a native Canadian  
literature, and very much has been accomplished  
in this way during its history of nine years, the  
age of the magazine being that of the Dominion  
of Canada. Those interested in the same object  
will not, we think, waste their efforts if they do  
what they can to make the magazine a peculiar  
success, what we presume no magazine in Can-  
ada has ever yet been for any length of time.

**LIST OF PRIZES.**

1. To the person sending the largest amount of money on or before 1st Nov., as payment in advance for our publications. . . . . \$50.00
  2. To the person sending 2nd largest amount. . . . . 40.00
  3. " " 3rd " " . . . . . 30.00
  4. " " 4th " " . . . . . 20.00
  5. " " 5th " " . . . . . 15.00
  6. " " 6th " " . . . . . 10.00
  7. " " 7th " " . . . . . 10.00
- Five prizes of \$5 each for the next largest amounts . . . . . 20.00

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