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OUR POSITION.

As announced in our last, we forward this month to each subscriber his account; and we think the fact that this periodical is under a heavy debt to the printer should suffice to cause a prompt remittance. Till our debt is extinguished, we are hampered and can not obviously make any great improvements in our paper.

Subscribers in arrear will please note that, as a means of reducing our expenses, we shall cancel their names from our list unless payment is made before the end of the month; and all subscribers remitting are requested in their letters to mention the Post-office address at which they now receive their paper.

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THE CHURCH IN CANADA.

THE FRENCH MISSION.

LETTER FROM REV. L. BARIDON.
(Translation.)

MORRS, 17th Decr., 1860.

DEAR SIR,—In my letter of the 21st ult. I told you that my little boy was very ill. It has pleased the Lord to take to Himself the dear child. It is a mournful trial to my heart.

His infantile patience and his complete submission edified me and inspired the profoundest sympathy for him during all the time of his long and painful illness. It rejoices me still to think that he is rescued from evil, and that a place is given him among the just made perfect. In less than 9 months it has pleased God to take from me 4 of my family. These afflictive dispensations are sent from God to me. If, as is said in His word, God chastises and afflicts whom He loves, I may humbly venture to regard myself as one of the objects of His love. Nevertheless these distressing afflictions leave deep wounds, which only the healing balm of our Heavenly Father can cure, according to His own good pleasure. There is now only left to me of my whole family one little boy, 5 years of age. You must have been aware that my labours have been of slight importance for some time past. I could only visit a few families in consequence of the incessant care which the state of my child required of me. We shall now, if it be God's will, have better days. The tempest is succeeded by a period of calm and serenity. His Holy Spirit can restore hope to the despairing, and revive the downcast soul.

I shall (D V.) resume my monthly circuits, and shall report my progress to you.

My desire is to labour more and more, and to speak earnestly of the love which God has for us in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Receive, Sir,

My warmest best wishes,
L. BARIDON.

To Alex. Morris, Esq.,
Montreal.

THE JEWISH MISSION.

Monastir—Perlepe.

We are in receipt, but too late to make

use of it in this number, of Dr. Epstein's Quarterly Report, of date 14th November, from Monastir, but shall find room for it in next issue.

Meanwhile we would remark that the ground occupied is an important one—no Protestant missionaries having been ever there before. The city has a population of 45,000, composed of various nationalities. To distribute among these, Dr. Epstein has applied for a supply of bibles, testaments and tracts, which we hope will be procured for him by the Committee. The Turkish, Greek, Bulgarian, Wallachian, Albanian and Jewish Spanish are the languages spoken. Dr. Epstein thinks that either a calporteur should be employed or that a school should be opened in order to enable the Mission to accomplish its work more effectually. Meanwhile he is engaged in acquiring the languages, visiting where he can gain admission, and dispensing medical advice to the poor. He maintains also a Sabbath service in German for the benefit of the European residents. He recently visited Perlepe, a village 8 hours from Salonica, and found there 15 individuals who were awake to the errors of the Greek Church and would embrace a pure faith, if protected by a firmman. From this brief summary it will be seen that there is a work to be done. Let the friends of the Mission supplicate a blessing upon this promising effort, and let them seek in faith, and by work and prayer to sustain it.