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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Our compositors and correctors of the press have of late been complaining much of the difficulty, some times the impossibility, of deciphering the communications of correspondents. We trust that after this notice those of our correspondents in fault will see to it that their M. S. S. are more legible, otherwise we cannot undertake the responsibility of correctness.

NOW PUBLISHED.

The Synod Minutes for 1861, containing all the Acts and Proceeding of the last Session of Synod, and full Reports and Financial Statements of the various Schemes of the Church. Price 25 cents. Some time ago parcels were sent for free distribution among Members of Sessions, in so far as information possessed by the Synod Clerk permitted this to be done. The Clerk will correct mistakes, if apprised of any.

The Minutes of any preceding year can be had at the same price per copy, except those of the first six, (1831-36) which are reprinted and cost \$2, and of 1837 which are now out of print. Appended to the Minutes of 1860 is a valuable Report on Congregational Statistics, 29 pp., the only approximation to a full report the Synod has ever received. It can be had separately for 5 cents a copy, or in quantities at \$3 per hundred.

The principal Acts of Synod, collected by the late Clerk, down to 1850. Price 12 1/2 cents.

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TREASURERS OF THE SCHEMES.

It seems necessary again to insert the following list, and to repeat particularly the request that parties, forwarding contributions for any of the Schemes, be careful to send them to their respective Treasurers, and to them only.

Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund.—John Greenshields, Esq., Montreal.

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NOVA SCOTIA STUDENTS.

Nova Scotia is noticeable for quite a number of things, the whole of which we cannot pretend to mention. Many of them are excellent in their way, affording a variety of important contributions to the wealth, honour and happiness of her inhabitants. For salubrity of climate and beauty of scenery she is not surpassed by

any of the North American Colonies. Her soil in many parts is naturally as fertile as can be found in the most favoured portions of Western Canada, and give back to the agriculturist, who treats it generously, a rotation of luxuriant crops. She is famous in the Atlantic seaports of the American Union for the abundance and quality of her coal; her iron-stone is said to be of a very superior quality, and she is beginning to take her place among auriferous countries, which in modern times are so numerous and well known. The actual produce of her mining-stations and pastoral districts is far from being proportionate to their immense capacity, and perhaps at some future day, not far distant, these sources of wealth will be more prudently and industriously resorted to than they are now. Her peculiar policies have for years received the attention of a long, increasing roll of able men. The World knows that she gave a Williams and an Inglis to the British army. Nor have the genius of literature and science sought in vain within her borders for persistent and successful worshippers. For some time we have been aware that among her young men there is a very considerable adaptation to the toils and enjoyments of student life, requiring but little encouragement in order to show the development of a capacity fitted to secure either uncommon distinction in particular departments or a high degree of general eminence. An illustration of this kind occurs in a paragraph of the July