

nor uncertain; and it will always present a favorable aspect to Progression, in everything conducive to the temporal and spiritual well-being of mankind. As a pledge for the attainment of these objects, it is announced with great pleasure that the services of the Rev. Professor TAYLOR, as Editor, have been secured, and it is hoped that the Periodical will obtain the confidence and support to which such guardianship entitles it.

The Magazine will consist of the several kinds of articles which usually make up similar Publications; Miscellaneous Papers, which will be partly original and partly selected; Reviews and Notices, and occasionally, Outlines of Books; Copious Missionary Intelligence, relating to the operations both of our own and other Evangelical Churches; an Epitome of the more interesting Ecclesiastical News of the day; and as complete information as can be obtained, respecting the Proceedings, Congregational, Presbyterian and Synodical, of our own Denomination.

It is proposed that the Magazine shall be printed in the 8vo. form, and shall consist of 32 pages. It will be charged at the rate of One Dollar per annum, payable in advance; but Subscriptions will, at present, be received for only six months, and at the ensuing Synod, all the members present will be invited to a meeting to which will be offered an unconditional surrender of the Publication, free from debt and encumbrance of every kind. The day of publication will be the First of each Month; though the first Number cannot appear quite so early. The Publisher, in the meantime, will be Mr. CHARLES FLETCHER, 54, Yonge Street, Toronto, to whom all business applications may be made, and to whose care all communications for the Editor, may be addressed.

The Committee beg only further to say that they regard their undertaking as provisional and experimental. They embark in it at a pecuniary risk, which, to them, is considerable; and they will, from motives purely disinterested, prosecute their task as far as prudence will permit. Should they fail, they hope to retire with the testimony of their conscience that, in the crisis of a good cause, they have done what they could: Should success, under the blessing of God, which they humbly implore, crown their endeavours, to Him, and under Him, to their Brethren shall be all the praise.

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In consequence of a series of disappointments, incident to the commencement of such publications, a painful necessity has arisen for delaying the issue of the First Number a whole month beyond the time expected. It has been deemed best, nevertheless, to give this number as for January; and by issuing a few successive numbers, each after an interval of less than