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In compliance with the cornect and repeated requests of per-side deeply interested in this subject, and with an humble hope that it may in some small measure, at least, convibute towards an desirable an object, the present work, though with much diffidence, is intended to be undertaken.

The New-Brinswick Religious and Literary Journal, as its title imports, will be occupied chiefly with matter of a religious that its imports, will be occupied chiefly with matter of a religious that it each of a religious department of a religious department will be given, on J. erature and accience, morals, domestic economy, and general information. In the religious department will be given, choice selections of Memoirs and Biographical accounts of persent of different religious denominations, who have been resident for their piets, and their literary attainments and usefulness; well anthenticated accounts of the spread of vital roligion; extracts from Missicoary and Biblo Society, and Sunday Echool and Tract Society publications and reports, &c. &c. In making these selections and extracts, while a proper respect will be carefully cherished towards the publications and established institutions of Great Britain and her dependencies, yet, thereing they would before him, the Edine will thrue he has ingithe was world before him, the Edine will thrue he historiation in extracting from the publications of other countries, whatever he may suppose to be applicable to the cucumstances of this and the neighbouring Provinces, and that may in any measure conduce to the prosperity of Religion, to the improvement of morals. provement of morals.

That this publication will have a favorable aspect towards the doctribles which are taught, and the discipline which is exercised, among that body of christians, with which for many systems the Editor has been, and is now connected, may ressonably be anticipated, but, that, it shall be also a liberal, cubelic, and friendly spirit, towards other denominations of chris

As three is not at present, either in this on in the noigh bouring Province, in a course of publication, any work of a similar character, it is presumed that the Enter will not be thought to trespass upon or eyen to therefore with, any other winn's field of labour. And us in a religious point of view, the circumstances and the wants of both Provinces are nearly, if

circumstances and the wants of both Provinces are nearly, if the anite similar to each other, whateren may be found substantially, useful to the one, cannot be slingether inapplicable to the other. If this idea be correct, it may not be considered as presuming too much, if a favourable concurrence from the friends of religion in Nova Scotta, he emilipated.

As usafuloess on the most extensive scale, in the departments already montholed, is the principal object designed in this publication, articles from any quarter, having this object in view, well willten, and conderved in a theral spirit, will be carefully fattoned to. But, as the Editor will solely be accountable to the public, for the matter which is shall contain, he must always be understood to have respected to himself, the right of carefully first which discovered to himself, the right of carefully fitting his own discretion upon the articles which may be controled.

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Nothing is more to the dreaded than a spirit of Sampson upon the lap of Bolilah, and never suspected their danger till robbed of their strangth, and mocked by insulting onemies more treacherous and crool than the Philistones. Whichfulness, the subject chosen for this discourse, is, therefore, highly important. Our duty, safety, biofoliess in the church and in the world, and our present and auture happi-

ness, require watchfulness.

I. Our daty requires watchfulness.—I know not why the term duty should be dulibed, because tome. thre hursel it to self-righteens purposes. Let us define the word. Buty implies obligation, and rethese, then, on our part, are called duty. I am now watch. Oh? how weighty, how solemu, how impressive the command! Think of the authority from which it issued. It combines all that is awful in word ought to regulate all our motivities, who cries, "Watch!" Nor let any one think this regards not us. Hear this, ye saintis; that it, ye that the elle are lessly! What I say to you, I say to all, "Watch." It is well known that among the Romans the land was so strict, that the sability forms buffered where he was so strict, that the soldier found affect when his duty required him to be on the nately was punished with death. The great Captain of salvation has watchful. And dare you desert your duty, forgot his charge, and despise his authority? " O tell it not in Gath!" appointed each is post, with the infunction to be

11. Our safety requires us to watchful. Your ner hearts are decental above all things, and desperately wicked. Have yournot, then abundant cause rately wicked. Have yournot, then, abundant cause to watch against the mirasion of vria, wandering thoughts, which are api to creep in at every the undersone thoughts, which are api to creep in at every the undersone the content of the minit, as it yere by steaful? It is not needfull to watch against the cisings of corrupt passions, which spread like extension force. It is not needfull to watch against the cisings of corrupt passions, which spread like extension force. It is not needful to watch against the cisings of corrupt passions, which spread like extension force. It is not needful to watch against the cisings of corrupt passions, which spread like extension force. It is not needful to watch against the cisings of corrupt passions, which spread like extension force which gloss hut a partial estimate. Be not deceived, which gloss hut in partial estimate. Be not deceived, which gloss hut in partial estimate. Be not deceived, which spread in the sight of any deceived will not see it. O how many after the worked will not see it. O how many after the which object to fouch overy movement in the learn, do they soffer to pass away unnotited? With harp and viol, the pipe and tabret, with the work of the Lord, neither consider the ope and allowing the light of any dealings of God with you, and his dispensations in the world, you will be safe. Be not comformed to this world? you are higher in a withorness—"Walk circumspecify, not as light in a withorness—"Walk circumspecify, not as lower and have tripulation here? you must wish as use." You are man chelly's "computed by the cares, or overchime by the conflicts of the world, you will be and the world, you will be and the world, you will be and the world of the day of the lart, to the world of the lart abret, transmit of the world of the world of the pipe and tabret, with a surface of labe glitter. Satan is hosty, active the world of the case. While the ground two, and malignant enemy. You are forewarded, lower a fairned to the condition of the world of the condition

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This Our assemble world, and asho church, requires us to be watchful.—Lebevah and to Abram, "I will blass thee, and thou shall be a blassing And shall not the spirifual seed of Abram in this be quires a compliance with what is right and proper like him? It is the will of. Cod that Christians in this respect it applies to men and to God. What should not only receive saving grace, but also spece the ought to do to our fellow-creatures is our duty to the savorand other knowledge refules is that they men—"Render to all their dues," &c. Now, are not should not only be the children of light, but late they submission, reverence, and obedience, due to God! light so shine that mening see their good works what light so shine that men may see their good works a that they should not only have the name of Christians, to call your attention to spatchfulness, and consider but follow his example who wont about doing good, who has enjoyed it. Is a master to be served, a But an unwatchful spirit in many ways impairs and father beloved, a ruler obeyed? Yes; these are lessons our usofulness. This is the cause of the But an unwatchful spirit in many ways impairs, and father beloved, a ruler obeyed? Yes; these are lessons our usofulness. This is the cause of the claums which none but the presuptaous and self-willed mind being often so much ruffled, the temper sourcesist. You are commanded in the Scriptures to ed, the conscious seared, the conversation spotted with the world, and the good ways of the Lord ovil spoken of: "These are bars and obstacles to usefulness. ' It was in an anguarded moment that Moses which it issued. It combines all that is awful in pass. It was in an anguarded moment that alloses justice, venerable in majesty, and winning in good spake analysed with his hips, and drew down the ness. Though you see no fiery charnot, though you Div't e pleasure. David was not on the akert of hely hear no voice of thunder, you while you have the vigils are, but walking on the house-top with a sumvolume of inspiration in your hand, remember it is toney, who are mared by the bounty of Bethsheba, the King of Glory whose authority is supreme, uni-b which he fell lifto crime after crime, that filled versal, and unchangeable that cries, "Watch!" It him with august-b and his household with discord worth to keep and commander of his jeople, whose and weep allowed to keep the total and the foundation for that sorrow his Lord, and so Itid the foundation for that sorrow which fureed tears of bitterness from his eyes. And cannot you look back, and see how often, through the samb negligince, you have both injured year-selves land dunimshed the good, effects of rollywo upon others! Would you keep a conscience wood of offence towards God land man! Would you keek worthy of your high vocation! Would you be saintinful in every good word and work ! . Be watchful! Distrust yourself, and lean upon the Beloved Pray for quicklessing grace, that you may live to him that dieds for your Me watchful to improve your time. How bught you to main at the recollection of those golden hours and precious moments which have been stoled by trilles, while you slumber dami slept!