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TO OUR READERS.

We sometimes hear the remark from Subscribers that this **MAGAZINE** does not contain sufficient information respecting the trades they belong to. We respectfully request them to consider that this being a **MECHANICS' MAGAZINE**, has to represent many trades, and therefore we cannot give a preference to one subject more than another. We shall always do our best to supply as much general information as possible, and if a certain branch of mechanics is not touched upon in one Number, it will probably be so in the one ensuing. What we particularly require at present is correspondents on original subjects of practical utility to our readers, this we are endeavouring to obtain, and trust that the **MAGAZINE**, if not quite so well supplied with *original matter* as scientific papers of older and more populous countries, will at least be well worthy of the support of every Canadian Mechanic.

The cry of Canadian Mechanics has always been "support and encourage home industries and manufactures"—let them add, also, *home literature*, and to bear in mind that it rests solely with themselves to sustain a scientific publication devoted entirely to the circulation of information appertaining to their own class. Any mechanic who refrains from supporting the **MAGAZINE** is not loyal to the policy he advocates. Almost every artisan in the United States subscribes to one or more scientific periodicals, and this *certain support* enables the publishers to engage the best talent in the country to supply editorial matter for their columns. All we ask is the same encouragement from the mechanics of the Dominion, to be able to keep up the **MAGAZINE** to the proper standard of a useful and scientific work. Be it remembered that our English reading population is nearly one twentieth less than the United States or that of Great Britain, and therefore the more reason why we should receive the aid of every mechanic in our own country.

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