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THIS is now commenced, and, with the blessing of heaven, shall be continued. No longer tarrying for names to come in. To all the old subscribers who have not expressed their wish to discontinue, this number is sent. The amount due will not be placed opposite the name till No. 4. This will allow agents to escape some trouble and annoyance incurred last year. Upon the agents much depends as to the success of the paper. No reward is offered them yet. Still their services are indispensable. To say that the editor is deeply grateful, and under lasting obligations, is simply true. To them it is earnestly said: Do not relax your energies, -still co-operate; and to every reader the request is made: Send all the names you can.

The reader will notice an improvement in the quality of the *paper*, as well as improvements in other respects.

The editor makes no flattering promises, but will move along without much noise, doing the best he can in the circumstances. He anxiously solicits *short* and *useful* articles. No. 2 from Rezen Ebe is looked for. "Antilogia" refuses to continue the discussion with "Beta." After mature consideration and counsel, it is deemed improper to publish "Beta's"

articles alone. The one on hand would occupy six pages. Some subscribers have been lost by continuing that discussion; other readers were edified by it-and so it goes. The pages of THE INDICATOR are still open for the discussion of any Bible topic; but the writers must limit themselves to space. The olio column has been crowded out almost from the beginning. The editor desires to encourage writers, and it is with great reluctance that he will refuse any piece. There is a variety of readers as well as a variety of writers. But he is of opinion that there are in Ontario, Disciples-a considerable number-who could write to edification; who could write brief and profitable articles, which would benefit the Churches, and be quite a help to THE INDICATOR. There are some in Eramosa, who, from their experience and knowledge of the Bible, could do good in writing as well as speaking. But there are many in the Province who might give us a welldigested and instructive piece. It is with writing as with speaking-parties are not always the best judges of their own qualifications. But it is said in faithfulness and in friendship, and for reasons imperative, to all who wish to write for THE INDICATOR, let one of your controlling thoughts be brevity, remembering that our space is limited.

No. 1.