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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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 Volunteer movement, or for the Editorial De-
 partment, should be addressed to the Editor of
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Communications intended for insertions should
 be written on one side of the paper only.

We cannot undertake to return rejected com-
 munications. Correspondents must invariably
 send us confidentially, their name and address.

All letters must be Post-paid, or they will not
 be taken out of the Post Office.

Adjutants and Officers of Corps throughout the
 Provinces are particularly requested to favor us
 regularly with weekly information concerning
 the movements and doings of their respective
 Corps, including the fixtures for drill, marching
 out, rifle practice, &c.

We shall feel obliged to such to forward all in-
 formation of this kind as early as possible, so that
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PROSPECTUS FOR 1876 OF THE "WITNESS."

THE friends of healthy literature have, by per-
 severing diligence, placed the *Montreal Wit-*
ness in the very first rank of newspapers. The
 rapid growth of trashy reading, and of what is
 positively vile, stimulating good people to more
 earnest efforts than ever to fill every household
 with sound mental food. A clergyman has lately
 secured for the *Witness* hundreds of subscribers,
 and declares his intention to make this one of
 his first duties in his present and every future
 field of labor, as he holds that by no other means
 could he do so much for the future of a neigh-
 borhood as by placing good reading in every
 family.

Successive attacks upon the *Witness* during
 each of the past three years, culminating in
 what has been called "The Ban" of the Roman
 Catholic Bishop of Montreal; although not other-
 wise desirable circumstances, have done a great
 deal to concentrate and intensify the zeal of the
 friends of Temperance and religious liberty in

favor of the *Witness*. Indeed, the fact that the
 last assault has been followed up for six months
 with the most untiring efforts to break down
 the paper on the part of the most powerful moral
 opposition that could be organized on earth, and
 has resulted in cutting us off from some, at least,
 of those Roman Catholic readers whose good
 will we formerly enjoyed and highly prized, give
 us perhaps, some claim on the kind offices of
 those who value free speech and freedom of reli-
 gious belief. The actual diminution of the circula-
 tion of the *Daily Witness* is of course, compar-
 atively small, amounting to about 500 out of 13,000,
 or less than four per cent., and does not affect us
 peculiarly, as we can still claim a circulation
 equal in volume to that of all the rest of the daily
 city press, probably the majority of our old Ro-
 man Catholic reading being such still.

The progress of the paper may be gathered
 approximately from the following figures:

	Cir. Semi-Weekly			1st. Weekly
	Cir. Daily.	and Tri-Weekly	1st. Weekly	
1871,	10,700	3,000	8,000	
1872,	10,000	3,600	9,000	
1873,	11,600	3,600	10,750	
1874,	12,900	3,800	17,000	
1875,	12,400	3,200	19,700	

We have good reasons to be specially desirous
 to reach the whole country this winter, and have
 the *Witness* presented earnestly to the notice of
 every family. To this end we have determined
 to depart from the usual course of allowing our
 publications to commend themselves on their
 merits alone, and to inaugurate on a large scale a
 competitive effort on the part of all our subscrib-
 ers to increase the subscription list. This compe-
 tition will last during the month of October, and
 will be open to all. The list of prizes will be found
 below.

If this comes to any who are not familiar with
 the *Witness*, we may say that for twenty-nine
 years it has labored for the promotion of evange-
 lical truth, and for the suppression of the liquor
 traffic. Our effort is to produce a *Christian Tem-*
perance Newspaper, unattached to any political
 party or religious denomination, seeking only to
 witness fearlessly for the truth and against evil
 doing under all circumstances, and to keep its
 readers abreast with the news and the knowledge
 of the day. It devotes much space to Social,
 Agricultural and Sanitary matters, and is espe-
 cially the paper for the home circle. It is freely
 embellished with engravings.

The *Weekly Witness* has been enlarged twice,
 and nearly doubled within four years, and is the
 very most that can be given for the price—\$1.10
 per annum.

The *Montreal Witness* (Tri-Weekly), gives the
 news three times a week, and all the reading of
 the *Daily Witness* for \$2.00 per annum.

The *Daily Witness* is in every respect a first
 class daily containing much more reading mat-
 ter than the papers which cost twice as much,
 for \$3.00 per an.

All of course, are post-paid by Publishers.
 Subscribers remitting new subscriptions beside
 their own are entitled to the following discounts
 on such subscriptions:

Daily Witness	50c.
Tri-Weekly	35c.
Weekly	25c.

PROSPECTUS FOR 1876 OF THE "CA NADIAN MESSENGER."

THE PIONEER PAPER.

The *Messenger* is designed to supply the homes
 of the Sunday School scholars of America with
 family reading of the most useful and interest-
 ing sort at the lowest possible cost. It consists of
 eight pages of four columns each, and contains a
 Temperance department, a Scientific department,
 a Sanitary department, and an Agricultural de-
 partment. Two pages are given to family read-
 ing, two to a tale in large type for children, and

one to the Sunday School lessons of the In ternat-
 ional Series, and a children's column. The
 paper is magnificently illustrated. There has
 been a very rapid increase in its circulation dur-
 ing the past year, namely, from 15,000 to 25,000,
 and the ratio of increase rises so rapidly that the
 proprietors have sanguine hopes of doubling the
 latter figure before the end of next year. There
 has been, as a result of this prosperity, some im-
 provement in the style of the paper, and it will,
 of course, be possible to introduce more and more
 improvements as circulation grows. Most of the
 growth of the *Messenger* has been by the volun-
 tary recommendation of it by friends who have
 formed their own opinion of its worth, and by
 the introduction of it into Sunday Schools. Young
 correspondents say that their Sunday Schools are
 more interesting and better attended since it has
 been introduced.

The following are the prices of the *Messenger*⁸
 1 copy \$ 0 30
 10 copies 2 50
 25 copies 6 00
 50 copies 11 50
 100 copies 22 00
 1,000 copies 200 00

Surplus copies for distribution as tracts, twelve
 dozen for \$1.

PROSPECTUS FOR 1876 OF THE "NEW DOMINION MONTHLY."

In general style and appearance the *Dominion*
 has, during the last few months, very considera-
 bly improved, and it is intended to improve on
 the present as much as the present is an im-
 provement on the past, and the Magazine of
 next year will be read with an ease and pleasure
 greater than hitherto. When we say that these
 improvements are not to be marked by any
 change of price, we refer to the full price of \$1.50
 per annum. Hitherto the *Dominion* has been
 clubbed with the "Weekly Witness" at \$1.00,
 which it will be simply impossible to continue
 now that one fifth has been added to its bulk,
 along with better paper and printing. The *Dom-*
inion is henceforth to be clubbed with the "Wit-
 ness" at \$1.25, and is better worth its cost than
 ever before. Twenty-five cents, instead of fifty
 will be the discount allowed to friends obtaining
 for us new subscribers at full rates, the induc-
 ements to subscribers being now put into the
 magazine itself. The object of the publishers of
 the *Dominion* is to develop a native Canadian
 literature, and very much has been accomplished
 in this way during its history of nine years, the
 age of the magazine being that of the *Dominion*
 of Canada. Those interested in the same object
 will not, we think, waste their efforts if they do
 what they can to make the magazine a pecuniary
 success, what we presume no magazine in Cana-
 da has ever yet been for any length of time.

LIST OF PRIZES.

1. To the person sending the largest
 amount of money on or before 1st
 Nov., as payment in advance for
 our publications..... \$50.00
 2. To the person sending 2nd lar't am't 40.00
 3. " " 3rd " 30.00
 4. " " 4th " 20.00
 5. " " 5th " 15.00
 6. " " 6th " 10.00
 7. " " 7th " 10.00
- Five prizes of \$5 each for the next
 largest amounts..... 20.00

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