

OUR OWN CHURCH.

We are sorry to learn that our information regarding Dr. Lamont and family taking possession of Saltsprings Manse was incorrect. We gave it as we got it.

Dr. Lamont after accepting a call from Saltsprings congregation, and urging an early day to be fixed for his induction, did *not* come to Saltsprings, nor keep faith with the people of Saltsprings. We believe the reasons he gave, and which came too late to prevent the Presbytery and congregation holding a meeting, had reference to pecuniary matters; afraid of giving up the "certainty" of the Temporalities Fund for the uncertainty of the fulfilment of the promises of the Saltsprings Trustees! Had he consulted us in the matter we could have assured him that the bond securing his payment by the Trustees of St. Luke's congregation, Saltsprings, was as good as a *cheque* on any *Bank* we know. We are sorry for the disappointment of Saltsprings congregation after such exertion to secure a pastor, and the hopes they cherished of having secured the right man. We hope their next effort will be crowned with success, that their affections will not prove misplaced, and that the man of their choice will be influenced by higher than pecuniary motives.

A young lady who left Pictou Co., a few years ago to push her fortune in the States, writes from Boston to say that she still takes the "*Kirk Record*," and that she was delighted to learn from it that the Pictou Presbytery has matured a scheme for the purpose, and with the view of becoming independent of outside aid, "'tis a noble undertaking said she" and "enclosed please find \$4.00

from me as a "nest egg" if it has not yet begun; it deserves to succeed and I hope it will." We could not help exclaiming 'God bless and prosper the young lady and send us more like her'—When girls at service, and depending on their hard earned wages for a livelihood give \$4.00, we may reasonably expect handsome contributions from those in independent circumstances, with abundant means at their disposal.

NEW GLASGOW.—We are glad to learn that the Rev. Mr. Coull, New Glasgow, who has been off duty for several weeks owing to ill health, is improving, and hopes soon again to be at his post.

RIVER JOHN.—We are sorry to learn that Mrs. McCunn, wife of the esteemed pastor of St. George's Church, River John, is dangerously ill. Mr. McC. has the sympathy of the brethren.

W. BRANCH, E. R.—With a view to the benefit of the Gaelic speaking portion of his congregation, the Rev. Mr. Galbraith is making arrangements to have gaelic services once a month, in his Church, by an exchange with brethren, whose good fortune it is to be able to speak the "language of Paradise."

BISHOP CONROY has for the time being healed the breach between the Church of Rome and the Liberal Party in Lower Canada. Ultramontanism was rushing things a little too fast for safety. A collision between the civil power of the Dominion and the Ultramontane faction could end only in disaster and humiliation to the Church of Rome. Hence the timely peace. Would it not be well for the Ablegate to bring his co-religionists in Montreal to a sense of the wickedness of their conduct first in committing a cruel outrage and then in defying the laws that are made for the punishment of criminals.