This Discourse was preached on occasion of the distribution amongst the members of St. Paul's Church, of the Schedules of Contribution, for the current year, towards the Missionary and other Benevolent work of the Presbyterian Church in Canada—the Author deeming it a favourable opportunity for enunciating to his hearers, the principles and modes of Christian giving, as set forth in the Old and New Testaments.

An old friend of the Author, and of the Congregation, came to him at the close of the service, and generously sought permission to print the Discourse at his own expense : Hence its publication.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MONTREAL, 13th February, 1881.