

The Monthly Record.

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THE RECORD.—The Presbytery has determined to continue the publication of the RECORD. The great majority of our people wish it to be continued. Much regret has been expressed at the prospect of letting it drop. The Committee of Management are authorized to publish it as before.

In undertaking this task the Committee appeal to our people to second their efforts. We trust our agents will immediately forward orders for the number of copies necessary.

The Convener has sent Post Cards to the Agents asking them to send in their orders for the number of copies they require. We earnestly urge upon our friends to assist us. No copies can be sent unless ordered. We cannot issue it except on the strictest business principles.

SALTSPRINGS.—The ordination and induction at Saltsprings on the 4th inst., is an event, around which sunny memories will long cluster, and from which, we trust, much profit and happiness will flow, both to the congregation, and to the Rev. Mr. Fitzpatrick, who assumed the responsibility of the pastorate of that important charge. We believe that the congregation under the pastoral care of Mr. F. will soon forget the disappointments to which Messrs. Lamont and Gray subjected them; we congratulate the Saltsprings congregation on securing the services of so talented and promising a young man as Mr. F. has already shown himself; and we congratulate Mr. F. that his "lines have fallen in such places," and we can bespeak for him a hearty and intelligent co-operation, a

punctual fulfilment of obligations; deep sympathy in his trials and discouragements; and a constant, unwavering considerateness for his personal comforts.—We hope and trust the happy event may be productive of much good to the church, and of glory to the Great Head of the Church!

THE Vale Colliery congregation and Sutherland's River congregation have secured one half the services of the Rev. A. J. McKichan, and as a tangible proof of their kindly feeling towards Mr. McKichan, Sutherland's River sent him a present of seven sled loads of coal "drawn by double teams." Gairloch congregation too has come to the front with a present to the Rev. Mr. McKay of a hundred weight and a half of cheese. McLennan's Mountain and East River have followed suit with tons upon tons of coal and firewood.

IN reply to circulars sent to agents, very satisfactory replies have been received from some. Mr. Balfour of Westville comes to the front with an order for one hundred copies for the congregation at that place, a very considerable increase. Barney's River orders fifty copies. Stellarton and Rogers Hill have repeated last year's orders with an increase in some sections. We are desirous of hearing from West Branch River John, and other sections lying at some distance.

THE hard times with other causes have nearly killed the RECORD. We are not however going to let it die without making one effort more. Will our friends assist us. Our agents can do us great service by sending in the money with their orders.

The February number will appear as soon as possible.