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We invite attention to a valuable letter from Mr. Haig, following up our remarks with regard to the Religious Census in the number of this Journal for September, and exposing its gross inaccuracies as regards our Church. Mr. Haig has done good service by its preparation, and we trust that others of our Ministers will follow

the example, and afford information as to their own localities. Our correspondent by the way charges us with breach of "tryst." We did not promise further remarks as to that particular subject. What we intended was to refer to the Census as illustrative of the necessity of a Home Mission. An article on the subject, which has been in type for some time, but kept over by the constant requirements on our space, is still crowded out from the present number.

THE JUVENILE PRESBYTERIAN.

Our readers are aware that the issue of a publication adapted for our Sabbath Schools, and for the family circle, has been contemplated by the Association for some time. The prospectus which we published would explain its objects. Upwards of 500 subscribers having been obtained as the result of the issue of the prospectus, it has been determined to issue an experimental number this month, and to continue the publication after the 1st of May, if sustained by friends. Through a miscalculation of the wood-engraver we have been disappointed in not enclosing copies with this issue of our paper to all our subscribers throughout Canada and the Lower Provinces. The price, 1s. per annum for 25 copies, and 1s. 3d. for single copies yearly, ought to secure for it a large circulation. We trust it may prove an effective auxiliary to our own Journal.

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