

indeed, that rightly belonged to reading, to rest, and to social intercourse. He tried to do the best he could in the circumstances. That is all he can say.

As to the amount available for Mrs. Kennedy and her children, that depends a good deal on many who read these lines. Before the *Christian Monthly* appeared, a few of Mrs. Kennedy's friends, chief of whom is the Rev. Andrew Kennedy, London, and the editor among the rest, had raised a considerable sum for the family. On this account it was found that a direct appeal through the columns of the *Monthly* produced only \$95.51, all of which, with 38 cents additional, has been remitted to Mrs. Kennedy. To add to these contributions, it was at the outset decided that neither editor nor contributors should take one cent of remuneration for their literary work on the *Monthly*, but devote what remained, after paying for the publishing, to the use of the family. To what do these proceeds now amount? That depends a good deal upon how some that read these words will act. The first year the *Monthly* paid its way 'by the exercise of great care and economy, but nothing more. The second year it did the same; but during this half-year, which is the fifth half-yearly volume, a slight deficiency of about \$100 appears on the books with three months to be provided for, which will make the deficiency at the end of the year over \$400 if no further payments are received. To meet this deficiency there is on the books, as due by subscribers, a sum that would, if paid, provide for the publication till the end of the year, and leave something for Mr. Kennedy's family. It can be seen now what we mean when we said that it depends on some of our readers whether anything can be got for the orphans, or not, from the *Christian Monthly*. The publishers are now enclosing accounts as they mail from Toronto, but parties owing should forward their arrears, (only, however, to end of 1875,) without waiting for any further account or notice.

We say "only to the end of 1875," in case the publication of the *Monthly* should cease then. Some Christian gentlemen who feel an interest in the kind of work the *Monthly* has tried to do, have offered to take the magazine on their shoulders and to carry it through, depending on the blessing of God. But it is plain that unless the finances are in a better position, it would hardly be consistent with prudence for them to place themselves under such a heavy burden. The editor would feel sorry indeed to see the publication cease: he has scores of letters in his desk which no eye but his has ever seen, which testify of the good that is being done in thus holding up our Lord and the doctrines of his grace; but though this volume should be the last, he will not regret his share in a work which, though laborious, has been very pleasant, because of the good Master, and because of the friends and sympathizers he raised up to help the work till now.