

To the Editor of the Canadian Day-Star.

A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

DEAR SIR,—It was with much pleasure that I learned that another messenger had been sent forth to publish in this province a free and unfettered gospel.

It is indeed true that there are already quite a number of useful periodicals in the field. They are good so far as they go; but it would be foolish in us to expect any periodical to proclaim a full and unfettered gospel, so long as the publishers themselves entertain such limited views of the love of the Father, the atonement of the Son, and the work of the Holy Spirit.

If God by His grace has disclosed to you truths which have been hid for ages, O beware of hiding the light under a bushel; Freely ye have received, freely give. There are amongst us many earnest men who Sabbath after Sabbath entreat sinners to come to the Saviour, and threaten them with damnation if they do not comply with the invitations of mercy; but let any anxious soul come to these spiritual physicians with the question, What must I do to be saved? and, alas, how vague and unsatisfactory their answers; they will tell us that Christ died for the elect; died for his own people; died for all who believe on Him, &c; but if the awakened sinner reiterates the question, Did He die for me? they dare not answer in the affirmative—but in numerous instances send the agonized inquirer to his closet, to the Bible, or to the public ordinances of religion or it may be the inward or changeable feelings of his own unstable mind, for comfort and consolation, instead of directing him to the full and finished work of the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world.

May the blessing of God rest upon your labours to advance His glory in the salvation of men.

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A NEW CREATURE.—A new Creature has new views of God, new views of himself, new views of his sins, and new views of his Saviour. A new Creature has new feelings, new desires, new delights, new hopes, new fears, new purposes, and is actuated in all that he does by new motives. A new Creature has a new name, a new nature, a new home, and a new song. In one word, if any man be in Christ he is a new Creature, old things have passed away behold all things have become new. Reader, are you a new Creature? He that believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God.