[CIRCULAR.]

## REN AND DEAR SIR;

I beg to communicate to you that, in consequence of the late calamitous fire at Toronto, and other causes, the Committee of Management do not consider it advisable to carry into full execution, at present, the plan for procuring a Press, which I submitted to you in my circular of the 1st. ult.

It has, however, been partially acted upon; and an order has been transmitted to England for such a quantity of type as, it is hoped, will enable us to present the next volume of "THE CHURCH" in a new and more attractive form. To carry into effect this arrangement, an instalment of Five per cent only, upon the stock subscribed, will be required on the first day of July next; and a further instalment of equal amount will be called for not sooner than the first of January 1340. The greater conveniency of complying with these terms will, it is hoped, serve to increase the amount of stock subscribed for.

I am happy to state the determination of the Committee to enlarge our sheet, at the commencement of the third volume, to five instead of four columns in breadth, with a corresponding addition to the length: the amount of Civil Intelligence to be proportionably increased, and the terms of subscription to remain unchanged.

Under the circumstances above detailed, it has been deemed most convenient and advantageous that "The Church," during the succeeding volume, should remain under the same editorial management as formerly; but while I tender most heartily the continuance of my gratuitous services, I regret to state that the immense labour and responsibility which these editorial duties involve, and to which in conjunction with parochial labours I find my health and strength unequal, will compel me to seek some efficient assistance for their competent and satisfactory discharge; -an arrangement which, it is to be lamented, must occasion some considerable addition to the annual expences of the paper. I feel a confidence, however, that this will be fully met by the cheerful and zealous co-operation of my fellow-labourers, in procuring an increase of subscribers, and especially in collecting the subscriptions.

At the present moment upwards of £400 remain due on the current volume; and I am sure you will partake of my anxiety that we should be relieved from any possible embarassment, by the earliest practicable collection of the unpaid subscriptions. The transmission, if possible of the whole, by the first week in April-a period of heavy payments -would greatly oblige me.

I trust that, with God's blessing, our paper has already proved the humble instrument of benefit to the cause of sound religion and loyalty; and I feel a confidence that, with His help, it will conduce more and more every year to these important ends.

Believe me, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

A. N. BETHUNE.

To Alex. Drugn Ef. Toronto.

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