THE INTELLIGENCER CANVASS.

MAKE DECEMBER ITS BEST MONTH.

The last month of the year is always expected to be a good month for the religious newspaper. It is the month in which the majority of subscriptions expire, and in which renewals for another year are looked for.

We are anxious that December of this year shall be an exceptionally good month for the INTELLIGENCER.

In previous issues we have stated briefly what the INTELLIGENCER will endeavor to be and do in the next year.

We trust it has so commended itself to its present readers that they will desire to have it a visitor in their homes for another year. Their prompt renewals will be gratifying and greatly encouraging. To have a fully renewed list before the New Year would be a delightful experience. Kindly give it to us—for once.

The religious paper rarely has any agents to push the canvass for new subscribers other than the ministers of the denomination with which it is connected, and the earnest men and women who regularly read it and are interested in the things which it represents and advocates.

This is true of the INTELLIGENCER. Its reliance for extension of its circulation is on its friends, who work for the sake of the cause they and we have at heart.

We are venturing to ask them to make a special effort in the INTELLIGENCER'S behalf just now.

The pastors will be doing the paper a valued service if they will present its claims and merits (if they believe it has any) to their people, both publicly and privately. A few judicious words from them about the urgent need of quick renewals, and the payment of arrears, where any are due, will, doubtless, have good effect.

There are few, if any, congregations in which there are not homes that do not receive the denominational paper. It would like to go to all these. The present is a good time to introduce it. Our brethren, the ministers, will be helping the INTELLIGENCER and its work very much if they will make a special effort this month to have it go to all the families of their congregations.

To all the friends of the paper we also appeal to give the paper the benefit of their kind words and work. What a help it would be if each present subscriber could send one new name. Many of them can do so, we think, and some can send more than one.

When a New Subscriber is sent with a Renewal Subscription, $2.50 pays for both one year.

Frequently our friends send new names on this offer. Will every one of them try to do so this year? Try.

We hope none of our friends will delay renewals nor the canvass for new subscribers. Let it begin at once, and be industriously kept up during this month.

Is your subscription already due? Kindly send it now. Will your subscription be due at the end of the year? You can help our work by sending it now.

We much desire that December should be a record month in the history of the INTELLIGENCER—in renewals and new subscribers.

To make it such, we ask the hearty co-operation of all who, believing in what the paper teaches and seeks to do, are interested in its welfare.

BEGIN NOW! KEEP AT IT!

Make December the INTELLIGENCER'S best month.

Editoiral Outlook.

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like unanimity, was that relating to liquor traffic legislation. There was strong opposition to making any declaration on the matter. The plan finally agreed upon is a compromise measure. The temperance members of the convention strove earnestly for recognition of their views. They were not successful in any considerable degree. The abolition of the bar, for which they have been strenuously contending, was rejected. The other features of proposed legislation are but little more than are provided for in existing laws. It remains to be seen whether the position taken by the convention is satisfactory to temperance men throughout the province. Unfortunately Mr. Ross and his government have trifled with the temperance voters in the province, several times failing to carry out their promises. We have all along believed that Mr. Ross, personally, is desirous of enacting advanced temperance legislation, but, unhappily, he has repeatedly shown lack of courage at the critical time, and has, therefore, failed to meet the expectations of those who relied on his promises. With these general failures before them, together with the charges of much crooked and corrupt work in elections, temperance electors may not rally very enthusiastically to the support of measures that promise so little in the direction of their desires.

On Thursday a convention of the opponents of the Ontario government was held in the same city. Like the one of the day before, it was a large gathering. It dealt with the several questions that are engaging public attention in that province. As to temperance legislation, its attitude was not very different from that of the government convention. The difference was in form more than in fact. The bald fact is that neither party has taken anything like advanced ground on this most important matter. Temperance voters have, largely, themselves to blame for this. They have been so "loyal" to their parties that they have not sufficiently impressed party leaders that their temperance views must be recognized. The thing for them to do in the approaching election, as in every election, is to support men, irrespective of party, who are known as reliable prohibitionists.

—The Rev. Dr. Torrey and Mr. Alexander have completed their mission at Cardiff, Wales, and opened up at Liverpool. A tabernacle to seat 12,000 people had been erected, but fully 20,000 people are said to have come to the opening service. The choir numbers over three thousand, and there are eight hundred trained workers to assist in the meetings. Dr. Torrey continues to be criticised in some quarters for some of his methods in his meetings, but, all things considered, he is received with wonderful unanimity, and the work is being blessed.

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