

**CHRISTIAN SUN.****Rev. Daniel W. Kerr, Editor.**

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It was intended that this number should have appeared on the first of January, but in consequence of an unexpected delay in receiving the type on which it is printed, it has been delayed until this period. But in order that the volume may commence and close with the year, the present number is issued for January. The following numbers will succeed each other with all convenient speed; so that it is expected that the number for May, and those that follow, will appear on the first of each month, as originally contemplated.

THE PRINTER.

**To the Patrons of the Christian Sun.**

After much delay, and after being retarded considerably longer than was anticipated at the commencement of the undertaking, we have succeeded, at length, in presenting to our patrons the first number of the Christian Sun. When the pecuniary embarrassments of the country, and the perplexing circumstances resulting therefrom, are taken into consideration, it will not be a matter of surprise to any, that it has not made its appearance at an earlier date. The place of publication the present year is Hillsborough, Orange county, N. C. It will be published, during the year, on the first of each month successively, commencing with this number. The first intention was to have published it in news-paper form, and which was consequently inserted in the prospectus; but upon more mature deliberation, and at the particular suggestions of many friends, it was thought most advisable to present it in its present shape, as being the most convenient for general use, and as being likewise better adapted for preservation.

As to the plan upon which, and the spirit by which, the Sun will be conducted, it is scarcely necessary to make a single remark, for it is our settled purpose and determination to conform it as nearly as may be, to the conditions exhibited in the prospectus. We shall endeavour to make it a useful vehicle of religious intelligence in general, and in particular a medium through which the Christian denomination may spread before the world at large, their views respecting the Divine Standard, and the facts and doctrines contained therein. We design making the Bible a real standard; not one merely in name, but one in deed and in truth; and shall endeavour to bring our minds implicitly to submit to its holy dictates in all things pertaining to hope and godliness. In discharging our duties as editor, humble though they may be, we trust we shall be enabled to pursue a course marked by intelligence, forbearance, and christian charity. We design not to enter the arena of partizan strife and sectarian conflict. It shall be our purpose to seek diligently after Divine truth, and wheresoever she may be found to embrace her with affection and cordiality. It must be borne in mind by those friends who design furnishing matter for the Sun, that no article will be inserted except under the author's own proper name.

We hope that the friends of the enterprise will exert themselves in extending the subscription list of the Sun. It is anticipated, and there is just ground for the anticipation, that in the course of the year its subscription list will be doubled its present number. We say to the members of the Christian Church, Brethren, we confidently look to you, as well as to a generous public, for aid and co-operation in this enterprise; let each feel himself personally interested in the advancement and extension of our periodical; let him not look upon it as a matter indifferent whether we