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## Editorial Fottings.

To DISTANT SUBSCHIBERS.—After First of January next, we shall require cash in Advance for all copies of the INDEPENDENT sent to subscribers outside the Dominion of Canada. We give timely notice, that no one may be put to any inconvenience. Subscribers in the United States, Britain and Newfoundland, will please remit before January.

We give, in another page, a few of the many good things said at the Great Missionary Conference at London, in June. These clippings are from the *Christian World* and other papers, which have presented very full reports of the meetings.

Rev. W. H. Allworth is at present in Samia. He may be addressed, care of C. C. Claris. Some of our vacant churches would do wisely to secure the services of this experienced and faithful minister. Our brethren often drift into the Republic, because no openings appear for them in this Dominion.

"YES;" WITH A CONDITION.—Apply it this way. We shall suppose you are a Minister. A friend wants to know if you can't conduct a week-evening service in his neighborhood? Tell him yes; that you will come two weeks out of three; on condition that they shall carry on the meeting the third week among themselves. And, stick to your condition! It will do them a world of good, to take hold themselves. Always say "yes" to every request, as far as you can: but remember, it is the best time in the world to put in a condition! And always have a condition ready!

Bad news from Bowmanville. A struggling church, a painstaking pastor, a building fitly characterized as "the most beautiful church of its size in the Dominion"—the chef a' œuvre of that architecturally-gifted pastor, the late Mr. Heu de Bourck—and now a fire in a high wind; and the old refrain of the Prophet once more: "Our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee, is burned up with fire; and all our pleasant things are laid waste." We are sorry for the church, which is neither numerous nor wealthy in its members; and for our Brother Warriner, its valued pastor. The fire occurred on 7th July; from adjoining buildings and yards. First the wooden Sunday School room in the rear, and then the brick church. There was an insurance of \$4,000.

AN ASTOUNDING PROPHECY.—At the commencement at Oberlin College, a few days ago, the Baccalaureate orator spoke of what had been done in the world since "Oberlin" began, just fifty years ago: and confidently predicted that the next fifty years would see the end of Foreign Missions! That the Gospel, by that time, would be preached to all nations; and missions, from one country to evangelize another, would not be required. Will some one, fifty years after this, turn up this number of the INDEPENDENT, and tell their friends, that we, who did not live to see it, prayed for it and believed it! The time is just as sure to come, as are the years; and why not in the cycle of half-a-century?

A Correction.—Mr. George Hague, Montreal, writes us, "In the recent report of the Union and kindred Societies—very ably done as a whole—I am made to say that there are "no centres of population in the North-West." I really cannot afford to be advertised as so