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PREFACE TO VOLUME XXII.

"One more year's work for Jesus,— One less of earth for me."

Very short it seems in reviewing it, every month appearing to be briefer than its predecessor; but thus do we travel on, with continually accelerating speed, towards the end of our journey.

Very pleasant it has been in this way to talk to our friends all over the Dominion every month; for, although many of them are unknown to us in person, we feel assured that of the homes to which the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT goes we may truly say—

"There our best friends, our kindred dwell, And God our Saviour reigns."

The volume herewith sent forth will be found, we trust, of at least average interest. We have done our best to make it interesting, and have been cheered by many kindly expressions of approval. The "News of the Churches" is unusually full, and encouraging. It might have been fuller and richer still if more pens had written for it. But we hope for more help another year. Such as it is, God bless it and make it useful!

J. W.

TORONTO, May 29, 1876.