

"1. That any church or responsible individual paying within three months for 100 copies, to be sent to one address, shall be supplied at the rate of \$75 per 100 copies, \$40 for 50, \$20 for 25, and \$10 for 12 copies.

"2. That the church or individual so subscribing shall be entitled to collect from the several local subscribers not less than \$1 per annum, but shall be at liberty to make free distribution of surplus copies at discretion.

"3. That this plan come into operation with the commencement of Vol. XX., viz: July, 1873, and that any church or individual subscribing as above shall be credited with the amount paid by subscribers on their list on account of that volume, but shall not be charged with arrears due for previous volumes."

We would strongly press this proposal upon our friends throughout the country. We count it a great loss to the individual, and to the body, when any one fails to receive this monthly bulletin. It does any Christian man good, to sympathise with his brethren. It does a church good, to help other churches. By the "wholesale" plan, a church would have an interest in seeing its members supplied with the magazine. The increase of Christian public spirit among them would make them better workers and givers in their own church. The details of canvassing, collecting and distributing could easily be attended to by some active young people, who would take pleasure in the work, and, being on the spot, could attend to it far more efficiently than is possible to a distant office. While, to the magazine, the deliverance from many bad debts, and the diminution of "retail" charges and work, together with the extension of the circulation, would compensate for the discount taken off. Thus the benefit would be reciprocal.

A second proposal, emanating from the same church, and likewise approved by the proprietors, is as follows:—

"That it be further proposed to the proprietors of the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT, to allow any church to add, at its own charges, to each monthly issue, or as often as may be desired, a supplement referring to its own proceedings,

the same to be attached only to those copies circulating within such church."

In this form, the Magazine can be "localised," and innumerable reports of things done, notices of things to be done, facts and appeals, of great interest locally, but not fit for general publication, can be brought before those who ought to receive them, but who would fail to do so in any other way. Any "live" pastor can see how many things he could thus bring before his people, better than through any other channel. Deacons, S. S. Superintendents, and all other leaders of Christian work, could use the same vehicle of communication. The supplement can be of two pages, or four, or eight; can be issued monthly, bi-monthly, quarterly, or at irregular intervals, whenever there is anything to make it up; can be printed on the spot, and then attached to the magazine, or laid loosely in it; or it can be inserted here,—in which case the cost would be \$3 per single 100 copies for two pages, \$4.50 for four.

We may be partial; but it seems to us, that with the INDEPENDENT in every family, and every church issuing its own supplement, a great step in advance would be taken.

As to the editorial vacancy, that matter is engaging the earnest attention of the proprietors; but it is premature to make any announcement until final action has been taken.

EDITORIAL POSTSCRIPT.—This number has waited for the Union Committee, meeting 29th April, to make its announcement. We intend to have that for June in the hands of our readers before the 1st of the month. Correspondents must count on no indulgence as to time.

Our present number is very full of "business," but unavoidably so. We regret to deprive our young readers of their usual share of space.

An obituary of Rev. D. Dunkerley, who died at Durham, P.Q., on the 6th April, aged 81, will appear in our next.