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Editorial Gittings.

EVERY pastor of a Congregational church in the Dominion is an authorized agent for the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT.

PRINCELY GIVING.—It is stated that two Congregational churches in Minneapolis, have given in one year for benevolences alone, the sum of \$255,416.

PRINCIPAL FAIRBAIRN of Mansfield College, Oxford, has been lecturing in Yale College; and preaching on several Sabbaths in New-haven, Bridgeport, etc., with great acceptance.

THE Yorkshire Congregational Union, England, comprises no fewer than 250 churches. In April the annual meeting was held in Keighley, when Prof. A. Duff, formerly of Canada, was elected Chairman for the year.

IMPORTANT UNITY!—A Hindu was asked by a lady missionary if there was anything on which the different sects of the Hindus agreed, and he replied, "Yes, we all believe in the sanctity of the cow and the depravity of woman."

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.—The National Council of the Congregational churches of the United States will be held at Minneapolis, on 12th October, and following days. Probably one or more representatives from the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec will be appointed at the coming session.

THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS meets at Ottawa, on Tuesday, 14th June. We hope and believe they will have a good and profit-

able meeting. It seems a pity however that all our denominational meetings could not be held in the same place, and in connection with one another.

"THE LEAFY MONTH OF JUNE."—So says Coleridge, and so assents each one of us. And even if we are not as 'fanciful as N. P. Willis, who said, "The earth in its annua' revolution round the sun, dips once a year into the climate of Heaven; and the intersection takes place in June"; still we enthusiastically enjoy its balm and cheer. How is it, dear friend, with your heart? Have you a time of blossoming within? Do your affections open out, like the June flowers, toward God? If not, why?

RITUALISM.—The pastor of a leading West End, London, Congregational church recently said that quite half of his new members for the last year or two had come from the Church of England. Ritualism was rampant in his quarter, and its vagaries had provoked disgust among a considerable number of Episcopalians; and the ritualistic ceremonies and brainless sermons had been driving spiritual hunger to seek some more satisfying food in other churches.—*Ex.*

PERSONALS.—Mr. Moody has been making a visit to Palestine. Mr. Sankey has been in France, and will remain in England till Mr. Moody returns to commence their English campaign. Mr. Moody and Rev. John McNeill have to do "the greatest work of their lives" next year in Chicago. Rev. Dr. Pierson will visit New York, and return in a few months to take charge of Spurgeon's Tabernacle for a year.