

I. Circular addressed to Secretaries of British and American Missions to Foreign Lands.

Haddington, 25th December, 1889.

'Gentlemen,—I send herewith a copy of a circular which I issued last year offering a gift of treatises on Forestry free of charge to Librarians in British Colonies, and in the United States of America. There remain with me still several complete sets, and of some of the treatises a good many. If it seem to you as it does to me after a lifelong interest in Missions to the Heathen, intercourse with Missionaries to various lands, and prolonged and repeated co-operation with them, first in Russia, and subsequently in South Africa, that it might be useful to missionaries at some stations to have at command information on some of the subjects treated of in these volumes, I shall with pleasure place at your service one, two, three, or more sets complete or partial as may be desired, or as the copies on hand may permit, forwarding them in the order in which applications may reach me.'

The following is an excerpt from the circular referred to:—

In a Volume which I published last year under the title of *Schools of Forestry in Germany, with Addenda Relative to a Desired British National School of Forestry*, I stated:—

'While a British National School of Forestry might be made available for instruction in Modern Forestry to any party who may desire this through the medium of the English language, I know of no insuperable difficulties in the way of such institutions being organised in any of the States of the American Union, or in any of the Colonies of the British Empire, in connection with existing educational arrangements of their own. As a contribution of information, which might be of use to any residents in these, in determining what might be done in the matter, I am prepared to deliver