

We must leave to the Directors and the Corporation the question as to where we are to find him. On many accounts we should much prefer that the new Theological Professor should be a Canadian, in hearty sympathy with our Canadian work. We have among ourselves, doubtless, men who would do us as good service in that capacity as any whom we could import. Still, it may be worthy of consideration, whether some one might not be obtained from Britain, more *distinguished* than any one at present available among us, who would at once reflect honour upon the College, and serve the denomination, by his pulpit and literary abilities, much as the President of the Wesleyan Conference has been doing for that body since his arrival among them. That is a point, however, upon which those acquainted with the English Congregational ministry will probably be able to advise us when we meet. Meanwhile, let us carefully view the matter from all sides, and look upward for grace and wisdom to direct us, so that we may come together in the spirit of mutual forbearance, each of us seeking to "please his neighbour for his good to edification."

HOW TO IMPROVE OUR MISSIONARY MEETINGS.

How to increase the attendance and interest at our missionary anniversaries is a question often discussed, and seldom satisfactorily answered. We are not vain enough to suppose that we can solve the difficulty any more readily than others who have tried it. But there are two or three hints which we should like to whisper into the ears of both speakers and hearers on such occasions which might, if adopted, help to make them at least *bearable* to many who are now inclined to "vote them a bore." And first to the deputations. We hope they will all be on hand, and up to time. It's a poor meeting generally without a deputation! We know it from experience. The failure of any member of it to be present causes disappointment, and the memory of it is often treasured up, and furnishes a not unreasonable excuse for the failure of the *audience* at the next anniversary. Besides, if brother A. should stay at home, brother B. may do the same, and both may find that brother C. has depended upon their promptitude and faithfulness, and they learn, too late, that there was "no deputation." We have heard it hinted that ministers' *wives* are sometimes—no, we won't say it,—but that they often think the exposure incident to such winter journeys would be highly inexpedient in the present delicate condition of their husbands' health, and—they stay at home! We sincerely wish all the deputations good health this winter.

Another cause of the ineffectiveness of our missionary meetings is the want of *preparation*, and pre-arrangement of topics on the part of the speakers. Preparation is impossible during the journey, and hence, unless it has been made before leaving home we can look for nothing but failure. What the people want to