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Editorial Jottings.

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

THE faculty of doing good, by an eternal law, is multiplied and magnified according to the use made of it.

THE golden-mouthed preacher of Boston, the Rev. Phillips Brooks, has been made the Episcopal Bishop of Massachusetts.

THERE are Christians who are always more ready to tell God what He can do to make them happy than to ask God what they can do to serve Him.

A STORY is told of a little girl who, wishing to contribute to missions, paid one cent for the loan of a hen for a week, and gave the value of seven eggs thus obtained to the cause.

There are now 306 Congregational churches in the State of Connecticut, indicating a gain of four during the past year. The total membership is 57,037, of whom 39,091 are females.

A Good Suggestion.—The First Congregational Church in Baltimore prints on the back of leaflets containing the subjects of the Sunday evening sermons an excellent map of the city, the location of the church being clearly marked.

THE Presbyterian Synod of Montreal and Ottawa met in Montreal on 12th May. Rev. Joseph White, of Ottawa, was elected Moder-

ator for the year. The Synod of Toronto and Kingston met at Lindsay the same week. Rev. R. N. Grant, of Orillia, was elected Moderator.

ISRAEL GOING HOME-

"For blood is thicker than water, and God is wiser than

He calleth His people homeward, and the nations say 'amen!'

They shall send His sons and daughters, with their gold and silver, free,

And the sons of strangers shall build thy walls, and kings shall wait on thee."

A Poser.—"I don't belong to your school, Mr. Spurgeon," said the young man, with a touch of pride; "I should inform you, sir, that I am an Agnostic." "An Agnostic?" replied the preacher; "that is Greek, is it not?" "I believe so," said the youth. "Of which," continued the preacher, "the Latin equivalent is Ignoramus, is it not?" The answer is not recorded.

THE TRACT SOCIETY, under the presidency of Rev. John Burton, has held its annual meeting in Toronto. Sir William Dawson was present, and gave a powerful address. Total income for the year, \$38,918. Books sold, 47,000; periodicals, 160,000; Tracts, etc., 175-000. Seven Colporters employed. 6,000 books and 220,000 tracts, etc., were distributed free.

"B.A."—On 13th May, at Victoria University, Cobourg, a number of graduates obtained the degree of B.A.; among others, five ladystudents. Why should not a lady be a Bachelor of Arts? A "Bachelor" in Arts only means that the person is a candidate for the higher degree in Arts. A "bachelor," in the usual acceptation of that term, is simply a