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Editorial Jottings.

THE devil has sown his tares among the wheat; but the fields would have been all tares if no Christian wheat had been sown.—*Hon. O. Mowat.*

WHEN Macaulay returned from India, he said: "Since I have been where men worship cows, I care very little for your petty demoninational differences."

ALL the world has been moved by the death of Mrs. Booth, wife of the founder of the Salvation Army. A noble woman, and doing a noble work for God. She was affectionately called "The Mother of the Army."

WE have tried to make this a good number, for it is the last a good many of our subscribers will get, unless they pay up. We have notified *every one* of them by post, and now we are waiting for a small remittance from each.

BELOOCHISTAN, between Afghanistan and the sea, is this year officially reported on as a part of British India. A railway has been carried through it, almost to Candahar. All southern Asia is now commercially, and probably soon will be politically, under British control.

EVERY pastor of a Congregational church in the Dominion of Canada, is an authorized agent for the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT. We hope each pastor in his own field, will exert himself at this season of the year, to get a paid up copy of the magazine in every one of the families of his flock.

EXTEMPORE HEARERS.—The peculiarity of the extemporaneous preacher is that he pays no attention to a sermon before delivery. The peculiarity of the extemporaneous hearer is that he pays no attention to sermons after their delivery.—"Knoxonian," in *Can. Presb.*

THE PURITANS.—Upon the rich, upon the great, upon nobles, princes and priests, they looked down with contempt. They estimated themselves rich in a more precious treasure, eloquent in a more sublime language, nobles by the right of an earlier creation, and priests by the imposition of a mightier hand.—*Macaulay.*

THOUGH it is reckoned that some one hundred and forty references are made in the Acts and the Epistles to priests and a priesthood, yet never is the Christian minister designated a priest; he is an ambassador for Christ, a witness, a steward, a bishop or overseer, an evangelist, a shepherd, a prophet—but never a priest.

AS to preaching to the intellect, Daniel Webster once said, that the gravest mistake of the preachers he listened to was this: They forgot that men like himself, had had during the week a prolonged strain on thought, and needed on Sunday truths that touched the heart and sustained in the struggles of life.

THE BETTER WAY.—A correspondent says in renewing his subscription to the INDEPENDENT, "For the seven years I have been in Canada, I have seen the attempt made to stir the churches, by telling them how many losses they have to repair. Let us try seven years of making people think we are succeeding.