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## Editorial Gleanings.

GOOD manners are made of petty sacrifices.  
—*Emerson.*

THAT which is most needed in our churches to-day is heat and enthusiasm.—*N. Y. Independent.*

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

THE thoroughly great men are those who have done everything thoroughly, and who have never despised anything, however small, of God's making.—*Ruskin.*

If you are trusting in Christ as your Saviour, why not let others know it and thus be influenced to do the same thing? This is "confession unto salvation."—*Ec.*

LET every delegate to the Union have written authority from his church, to represent it at the meeting of the Missionary Societies, College, etc. Let this not be forgotten.

GEORGE MACDONALD says that the song of a bird is made up of a warble and of a pause. The silence is a part of the song which it interspaces. It gives depth, sweetness and permanency to the melody. So with human speech.

DOUBT comes when the church is at a cold temperature. The way to answer doubt is by intense Christian faith and activity. Men think they can eliminate doubt by minimiz-

ing doctrine. I don't propose to give up any doctrine to diminish doubt.—*R. S. Storrs, D.D.*

ADJECTIVES. — The last years of the lamented Bancroft were spent in carefully revising his history. Someone asked him what he was doing. He answered, "slaughtering adjectives." The disposition to slaughter them marks the dawn of literary maturity; the ability to do so, its meridian.—*Ec.*

WHILE some Christians complain that they can find no opportunity to do good, others are embarrassed because of the multitude of inviting openings, only a few of which they can find time to enter. The difference between these two classes of Christians is not in their circumstances, but in their spiritual discernment.—*Ec.*

REV. JOSEPH UNSWORTH writes us that Stouffville church did not receive a missionary grant last year, nor for a series of years; nor has any church under his pastorate for 39 years. Our correspondent last month had evidently taken the sum opposite St. Thomas to refer to Stouffville. But too much care cannot be taken in having quotations correct.

IN lands where Christianity is only as yet tolerated, its humane principles are nevertheless gaining ground. In China the government has forbidden the murder of female infants; and in India an increasing support is given by natives to reforms as to widows and the marriage of girls.

The committee for arranging the International Council of Congregationalists have,