

PREFACE.

history of the Congregational churches, and all their interests, in Canada. In this connection I desire to obtain and insert the Christian name of every minister mentioned in the book ; not initials merely. Our honored contemporary, the American CONGREGATIONAL YEAR BOOK, says, "Give the Christian names of ministers. There should be some place where the respect due the name a man bears, is not sacrificed to the haste or laziness of a mere initial ; and the world has a right to look to such an official list, to find the full name. Personal identity is often confused by the use of initial only."

A slight advance has been made this year, by the insertion of a portrait as a frontispiece, and a cut of the church where the Union was held. This feature will probably be continued and extended in the future. We desire to obtain cuts and descriptions of new churches. It helps the book, while it furthers local interests.

The price remains as before, fifteen cents ; though, considering that the postage on a copy of the YEAR BOOK is four cents, which is paid by the Publishing Company, the discount formerly given on quantities is omitted. A wonderfully cheap book. The American Year Book, of similar size, and not so well bound, is charged, post-paid, seventy-five cents.

THE EDITOR.

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