

after the Conference at the Mission House, in London : all the evils that had been done, and the difficulties which prevented their remedy, were long and faithfully discussed between Messrs. John Ryerson and Green on the Canada Conference side, and the Rev. Matthew Richey on the side of the British Missionaries, in the presence of this committee. The Rev. Messrs. Marsden, Lord, and Stinson, all of whom had sojourned for more or less years in Canada, helped on the pacification, and the plan or basis of the present Union was framed or laid, which may better be considered in detail when we come to its final affirmation in the Canada Conference of 1847, the proceedings of which will come within the TWELFTH BOOK, or the first book in another volume.

242. The delegation returned to Canada early in November, 1846, soon after which the Conference Executive were called together and met in Cobourg. The Canada Conference having declared ever since the disruption of the Union, that whenever the British Conference saw fit to resume its former relation to the Canada Conference, the latter was ready to submit to the old arrangement, the plan, therefore, now proposed, not differing essentially from that provided for in the first union, there was no legal necessity for submitting this scheme to the Quarterly Meetings ; and if there had been, it was not necessary to submit the articles till after they were affirmed by the Conference itself,—yet many having thought for years that it was a mistake, not to have consulted the Quarterly Meetings before entering into the first union, it was wisely considered that it would be courteous and politic to submit the whole scheme to the lay-officials of the Connexion before the final determination of the matter at the ensuing Conference. A digest of the plan was made and submitted. At this stage it met with