

On MEMBERSHIP—Rev. E. Ebbs, Convener; Revs. E. J. Sherill, J. A. R. Dickson, J. T. Byrne, T. M. Reikie, and Messrs. G. Hague, H. Freeland, F. P. Goold.

On NOMINATIONS—Rev. R. Brown, Convener; Revs. J. Douglas, D. McGregor, A. Duff, B. W. Day, D. Macallum, and G. Purkis.

On FINANCE—Messrs. Charles Raymond, Convener; A. Lightbody, H. O'Hara, W. Williams, J. S. Armstrong.

After which the Union adjourned.

THE MORNING DEVOTIONAL HOUR.

The first hour of each day, from 9 till 10, was spent in prayer and conference, and although a good deal interfered with as to attendance by committee work, was generally well sustained, and felt to be a most refreshing service. The Rev. Messrs. Byrne, Brown, Rae, and Denny, conducted the meeting on the successive mornings of the session.

At 10 o'clock, on Thursday morning, the Rev. H. D. Powis, of Quebec, on retiring from the chair, delivered the customary address, for which the thanks of the Union were afterwards voted to him.

Rev. F. H. Marling, Secretary, then, on behalf of the Committee, nominated for Chairman, Rev. John Wood, of Brantford. The nomination was unanimously adopted by the Union.

Mr. Wood, on assuming the chair, briefly returned thanks for the honour conferred upon him.

Rev. Mr. Marling then read the official

REPORT OF THE UNION.

The report referred to the death of the Rev. Dr. Lillie; recommended action on the names of some extinct churches and absent members remaining on the roll of the Union, and referred to the nearly-exhausted edition of trust deeds for church property, and the opportunity this presented to revise (if need be) the form of these instruments. Allusion was also made to the 250th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims. A delegate from the Committee had been able to attend the Chicago meeting on the 27th of April, and had secured the attendance of an American delegation at this meeting. Reference was also made to the approaching census, and the hope expressed that those who were Congregationalists would be careful to enrol themselves as such, that they might show their full strength. The report also strongly condemned the provision for Papal ecclesiastical preponderance in the New Province of Manitoba, as an outrage upon the liberties of the whole people, who should never be known to the Government in any denominational or ecclesiastical character; and closed with an appropriate expression of indignation at the recently renewed Fenian outrages, and our duty in relation thereto. These clauses were severally referred to Committees, and subsequently adopted, with accompanying resolutions, elsewhere inserted.

DELEGATIONS.

The Delegates from the General Conference of Maine, Rev. Messrs. Garland and Fay, were then introduced, and the former presented the christian salutations of the brethren who had deputed him. Mr. Fay