

## CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

## CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

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## "A NEGLECTED PRIVILEGE."

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BEFORE delivering what I suppose will have to be designated in the Records of the Union as the Chairman's address, allow me to say how much I appreciate the honor which has been conferred upon me by my brethren of our churches in electing me to this position. It came to me entirely unexpected and unsolicited, and I am sure undeserved. If in any way any have thought I have deserved it, it is a pleasing indication that the spirit of the Master is in the hearts of my brethren; that small services wrought in His name are remembered. This, I trust, will be an encouragement to others. I would also like to add to the words of welcome which have been so happily expressed by the Pastor of this Church. It is, indeed, an added pleasure

to me, to stand in Zion Church, which is honored with such honorable and holy memories, and, as a member of this church, and as Chairman of this Union, to welcome you to the annual gatherings of our churches here, and I do trust that the sessions of the Union may be very helpful to you personally, and to the churches and causes which you represent in your various fields of labor.

While I recognize and appreciate the honor accorded me in electing me to preside over this Union, I think no one, who has not enjoyed the privilege, can quite appreciate the responsibility which it involves. I refer principally to the responsibility of preparing and delivering the Annual Address.