

Societies, which are here presented in full, and together, for the first time, and of which we urge the careful perusal. The facts therein contained ought to be familiar to every Congregational household in the Dominion. Every facility for reference is provided in the Index.

Let it be remembered, that the YEAR BOOK *is meant to be preserved, not destroyed*;—to be frequently referred to, not thrown aside after one hasty glance at its contents. In size, it is made to correspond with the “Canadian Independent,” so as to be bound up with the volume closing with the number of the Magazine for the June preceding the issue of the YEAR BOOK.

Another year, it is designed to have the material for the YEAR BOOK prepared before the Union Meeting, so that, if the Reports are ready with like promptitude, the whole may go to press as soon as the annual gatherings are over, and appear early, in uniform style, a veritable *book*, which shall enable all concerned, at home and abroad, to “know our affairs, and how we do.”

May this first attempt be so well received, and so useful to the brethren, as to encourage many improvements in the next!

F. H. MARLING,  
*Editor.*

TORONTO, September, 1873.

The following is the Prospectus of the Year-Book laid before the Union Meeting:—

“The *Canadian Independent* Publishing Company propose to issue a *Canadian Congregational Year-Book*, composed of reports of the Union and other denominational societies, prefaced with suitable information in relation to our churches in Canada, Britain, and the United States, to be sold at 10 cents a copy. The several societies to pay for printing a share of the cost proportionate to the space occupied by their reports respectively, and to be at liberty to issue additional copies separately for other uses as they may see fit. The edition is proposed to be from 2,000 to 3,000 copies. A special editor will be appointed to compile the whole. Orders will now be asked, if the plan is approved, for such number of copies as the representatives of the churches may undertake to dispose of. It is expected that the *Year-Book* will be issued by 1st September. It will be of the same size of page as the *Canadian Independent*, and it is recommended that it be bound up with the yearly volume of the magazine. The receipts from sales, after defraying the cost of the introductory matter, prepared by the special editor, shall be divided among the organizations contributing their reports, *pro rata*.”

N.B.—The Editor solicits the communication of suitable material for the next annual issue, especially of denominational items for the Calendar, that in the present volume being only a specimen and commencement of a record to be made much more complete hereafter.

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