

All this changed. Changed, too, in a spirit of brotherly love and affection. In a spirit so real and so unmistakably sincere that the world if it will be honest will be compelled to see in it an exemplification of that commandment which Christ gave to His disciples when he said, "A new commandment I give unto you that ye love one another."—John xiii. 34.

How has this great change been brought about ?

Like all changes which bring about enduring results, the process has been slow, the agencies have been not only varied but numerous, have not unfrequently been set in motion from quarters the most unexpected, yet have all happily been used for the accomplishment of a common end, and that end a spirit of brotherly feeling among Christ's people of every name.

What do we find to-day ? Not only do we find ministers of one denomination in the most friendly spirit filling the pulpit of the brother of another when from any cause he may be absent from his own, but doing this to the edification and delight of the congregation, so that nothing is more common than to hear such remarks as these, "Why, he preached like our own minister. None here could have supposed that he was not one of our own people. We must have him again." But we find upon special occasions, upon the opening or reopening of churches, upon missionary or educational occasions the services conducted by ministers of denominations other than those in whose interest such services are held, and in every case with great advantage to all concerned. We find also that which has now become an established usage (I speak now of the city of Toronto), the appointment by the Ministerial Association of one day in each year for a general interchange in all the pulpits, that is, between the Presbyterians, Methodists, Congregationalists and Baptists of this city, in which the largest measure of Christian interchange is manifested to the edification and delight of all concerned, an arrangement which might very well be extended to the entire Dominion. We find laymen of the various denominations associated with each other in the carrying on of religious work on those matters in which all have a common interest. We find the hymns of Charles Wesley in the Presbyterian Hymnal, and the psalms of the metrical version and the paraphrases as used by the Presbyterian Church in that of the Methodists. We find instead of the contention for supremacy as indicated by the words "The Temple of the Lord, the Temple of the Lord are we," the recognition of a loftier and purer spirit which