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the Society became the "Canada Congregational Missionary Society." The Home Secretary from the commencement, the Rev. K. M. Fenwick, resigned his office, and the Rev. J. G. Manly was appointed in his stead. The following resolution was adopted by a standing vote:—Resolved, "That the cordial thanks of this Society are due, and are hereby given, to the Rev. K. M. Fenwick, for the long and faithful services rendered by him in the capacity of Home Secretary." The record further notes: "Dr. Wilkes explained that the interior administration of the Society's affairs had been mainly organized by Mr. Fenwick, and had been conducted by him with much skill and energy since the formation of the Society." The names of the Districts were changed to "Ontario Western," "Ontario Middle," "Ontario Eastern," "Quebec," "Nova Scotia and New Brunswick," having reference to the creation of the Dominion of Canada by the confederation of the several British North American Provinces.

At the meeting in Toronto, June, 1870, the proposal was negatived, that in the district reports the amount of grants made to the several mission churches be stated *in loco*, as also the amount raised by them, but a resolution was adopted, "That each district committee appoint a sub-committee of inquiry, who shall visit the churches aided by the Society, that have for some time received grants without diminution in their amount, and still ask for help, to see whether anything additional may be done for the more successful working of their finances." The following year the remark is made that "There cannot be complete independence, though there may be Congregationalism, on the part of a church which depends on a Missionary Society for pecuniary aid. That Society, by its grant, establishes a claim to inquire into the working of the institution, a right to require the labours of the pastor outside his own pastoral charge for the general interest, and a duty to tender its advice as to management in all things which may directly or indirectly affect the state of its funds. When self-supporting only, can a church be regarded as strictly independent; when not so, it ought to be to some extent under tutors and governors."

June 6, 1872.—The decision of the Colonial Missionary Society was announced to reduce the Canadian grant at the rate of £50 per annum. Whereupon it was resolved, 1. That this Society respectfully acknowledges the receipt of the communication from the C. M. S., of date 2nd May, and takes note of its intimation of present and future diminution of its grant. 2. That the thanks of this Society are cordially renewed to the C. M. S., for long-continued liberal aid. 3. That in the present and immediately prospective circumstances of this Society, it sees no prospect of being able to undertake work in Manitoba and British Columbia, and that as a consequence, responsibility regarding Congregational work there must be left to the Colonial Missionary Society. It was also reported that, during the year, at the request of the Secretary of the C. M. S., I had obtained from all our fields of labour precise statistical information, by means of a circular containing nine questions; and that the results had been placed in a book under proper heads for future reference and as a permanent document; and that the book has been sent to the office in London.

In June, 1873, the act of incorporation of the Society by the Legislature of Ontario was duly reported, and the Society was constituted under