

CHURCH MISCELLANY.

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec has just been held in our midst. The number both of Pastors and Delegates who were present was not so large as we anticipated, nevertheless there was a fair representation from Churches in the various districts in the two Provinces. The interest in the devotional meetings, the business sessions, and the public gatherings, was well sustained throughout, and cannot fail to be fruitful of much good. As is usual with us, the widest christian liberty was given to brethern in the statement of their views on questions before them, which liberty was freely used, in the consciousness that "One is our master even Christ and all we are brethern." The accommodation afforded for the guests by the Congregationalists and their friends in the city was ample and highly appreciated. There were many places in hospitable homes which could have been filled had more come.

The Welcome Meeting given on Thursday night was in every sense a success. The transformation of the Lecture Room into a Dining Hall, decorated with evergreens, chinese lanterns, flags and banners numbering many a score, seemed at once a translation to fairy land; while the spread with which the ladies burdened the many tables was all that could be desired by any Christian of any kind. Add to this the "feast of reason and flow of soul" which followed, together with the sweet strains of music and the sacred songs interspersing all, and but little was left to be desired. The addresses of Colonel Twitchell, the American Consul, of Principal Grant, with his genial catholicity, of H. D. Powis, the honoured pastor of Zion Church, Toronto, and by J. F. Stevenson, Chairman to the Union, who never wants for