

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA.

The tenth Annual Meeting of the Congregational Union of Canada was held in Zion Church, Montreal, commencing on Wednesday, 10th June, 1863, at 4 P.M. The opening song of praise—

“Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love,”

was expressive of the spirit which reigned in the assembly throughout its proceedings. The Chairman, Rev. A. J. Parker, read the 8th chapter of Nehemiah, and engaged in prayer. Mr. William W. Smith, of Owen Sound, was appointed Minute Secretary.

Upwards of eighty brethren were present during the sittings of the Union, viz.:—*Ministerial Members*—Revs. W. H. Allworth, L. P. Adams, E. Barker, R. K. Black, J. T. Byrne, John Brown, Robt. Brown, G. B. Bucher, A. Burpee, J. Campbell, Wm. Clarke, W. F. Clarke, G. Cornish, M. A., B. W. Day, H. Denny, A. Duff, C. Duff, E. Ebbs, J. Elliot, K. M. Fenwick, J. Fraser, J. A. Farrar, D. C. Frink, B. M. Frink, William Hay, Robert Hay, Adam Lillie, D.D., H. Lancashire, F. H. Marling, A. Macdonald, A. McGill, D. McGregor, R. McGregor, J. McKillican, D. McCallum, A. J. Parker, H. D. Powis, T. Pullar, T. M. Reikie, E. J. Sherrill, P. Shanks, J. Unsworth, H. Wilkes, D.D., J. Wood, C. P. Watson, J. Wheeler.

Delegates—Brantford, F. F. Blackadder; Danville, J. L. Goodhue; Calderon South and Ospringe, J. A. R. Dickson; Eaton, H. Hubbard; Kingston, T. Hendry; Lanark (1st church) A. Rankin; London, James Robertson; Markham, D. Cash; Montreal (Zion Church) W. R. Hibbard, J. Popham; Oro (1st and 2nd church) S. N. Jackson; Owen Sound, W. W. Smith; Quebec, T. H. Oliver; Sherbrooke, S. Tuck; Stouffville, T. Turner; Trafalgar, R. T. Thomas; Toronto (2nd church) W. R. Ross; Cobourg, J. Field; Guelph, Edwin Newton; Indian Lands, P. McDougall; Martintown, P. Christie; Vaughan, W. Hartman; Brome, W. Stephenson.

Delegates from Corresponding Bodies—Rev. Uriah Balkam, from General Conference of Maine; Rev. E. H. Squire, from General Convention of Vermont.

Honorary Members invited to seats in the Union—Revs. R. Wilson, Sheffield, N. B.; W. H. Daniels, St. John, N. B.; J. P. Warren, Secretary American Tract Society, Boston; Mr. Vernon, Point aux Trembles Mission; Christopher Cushing, N. Brookfield, Mass. Messrs. A. McGregor and R. Lewis, Theological Students; A. Christie, Toronto; F. E. Grafton, Montreal; M. Revard, Teacher, Point aux Trembles Mission.

Several items of business having been attended to, a letter was read from the church at Guelph, having reference to some points suggested by a circular to the churches, lately issued by the First Church, Toronto; and also a memorial from the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, C.W., soliciting the influence of the Union on behalf of total abstinence and the prohibition of the liquor traffic; both of which were referred to the Business committee.

An invitation to visit the museum of the Natural History Society, and the extension of a similar invitation by Professor Cornish to visit McGill College, were the forerunner of the many acts of courtesy and christian hospitality with which the brethren in Montreal invariably receive the Union.