

The Union then gave way to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Society, and adjourned till Monday morning.

#### THE LORD'S DAY, JUNE 12TH.

At 11 a.m., the Rev. J. G. Sanderson preached, by appointment of the Union, in Zion Church, from Acts xvii. 11. "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the Scriptures daily, whether those things were so."

At 6:30, the Rev. Dr. Beecher preached in the same place, from Eph. iv. 4-6. "There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

At the close of the latter service the members of the Union, and the two sister churches, united with the Bond Street Church in the observance of the Lord's Supper. The Rev. F. H. Marling presided, and was assisted by Dr. Wilkes and the Rev. J. Fraser.

A large number of the pulpits of the city and surrounding country were supplied by members of the Union during the day.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 13TH.

##### THE "CANADIAN INDEPENDENT."

10 A.M.—Mr. Geo. Hague presented the claims of the *Canadian Independent* magazine, and expressed his great gratification that the Rev. John Wood had consented to act as Editor for another year. He also urged a systematic canvass for subscribers in the churches. The circulation ought to be largely increased. He regretted that there were more than \$700 of arrears on the part of subscribers, and recommended that the whole matter of arrears and subscriptions should be placed in the hands of one or more practical and business men in every locality. Rev. Mr. Wood, as Editor, asked that the ministers should more frequently send him contributions of a sprightly, practical character, and items of interest for publication.

##### MORE DELEGATIONS.

Rev. W. McClure and Mr. R. Wilkes, delegates from the New Connexion Methodist Conference, were then introduced and heard. The latter referred to lay participation in all church matters, as a common feature of the Congregationalists and the New Connexion Methodists; and they both expressed the warmest feeling of Christian friendship toward the Congregational Union. The Chairman and the Rev. W. Clarke responded in a fraternal spirit, and on report of the business Committee, a resolution was passed expressive of the desire that the two bodies "may be drawn more closely together by that charity which is the bond of perfectness."

On the afternoon of the same day, a deputation from the General Assembly of the Canada Presbyterian Church, consisting of Rev. Dr. Burns and Duff Cameron, Esq., was introduced.

Dr. Burns spoke of the many points of union between the two denominations, and referring to the Christian work in which they both were engaged, said he believed in a union originating in a baptism by fire—the union, not of freezing, but of fusing. A union in which the