

compassion. His piety was lively and of vigorous growth, braced and made manly by those views of God's government and truth held by the denomination to which he belonged. Such views he held intelligently so as to defend them when impugned, and so as to be able to give to every one "a reason for the hope that was in him, with meekness and fear." He was ill nine months, during which, ability was given him to speak of a Saviour's love, and to urge upon those that visited him that Saviour's claims. If exhorted to spare himself the fatigue of talking, his reply was "better wear out than run out." At length, on the day above mentioned, he quietly yielded up his spirit into the hands of the Redeemer whom he had loved and served for sixty years. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." "The righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance." A widow mourns his loss; and six grown up children call his name blessed.

Montreal, 26th September, 1861.

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CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Fourteenth Annual Sessions of the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Congregational Union were held at Yarmouth, N. S., on the 23rd, 24th and 25th August, 1861.

On the evening of the 22nd, a social meeting for prayer was held in the Tabernacle, when several short addresses were given by the ministers who were present.

On the morning of the 23rd, a devotional service was held, between the hours of 9 and 11. At this meeting, the Rev. James Howell, the retiring Chairman, delivered an address to the brethren and friends assembled. After which, the Rev. G. A. Rawson was appointed Minute Secretary; and the Rev. George Ritchie elected Chairman for the current year.

The personal members of the Union present were—Rev. R. Wilson, Sheffield, N.B.; Rev. James Howell, Liverpool, N.S.; Rev. George Ritchie, Yarmouth, N.S.; Rev. G. A. Rawson, Milton, N.S.

The following delegates were present—Rev. E. Barker, Sheffield; Messrs. Balkam and Sterritt, Yarmouth; Mr. W. H. Freeman, Milton; Mr. F. H. Hilton, Chebogue; Rev. J. Howell, Pleasant River; Mr. D. Loomer, Cornwallis.

The following were requested to sit as honorary members, with power to vote—Rev. Dr. Wilkes; Rev. Professor Cornish; Mr. George Strassenburgh, from Congregational College of British North America; Mr. Bigelow, from Cornwallis; Mr. H. Freeman, from Milton. The Rev. Mr. Angel, Baptist minister, was requested to sit as an honorary member.

The minutes of last year were read in full by the Secretary and confirmed. The Annual Report of the Union was read by the Secretary, Rev. R. Wilson, which was received and adopted.

It was moved and carried, that the Revs. Robert Wilson and James Howell, with Dr. Wilkes, be a committee to arrange the business arising out of the minutes of past year.

After singing and prayer, the meeting was adjourned till 2, p.m.