

of Montreal *anent* this matter without previously citing either the Session or congregation to appear for their interests, which is a prescribed law laid down in the "Book of Forms" adopted by said Synod.

VI. Inasmuch as the Synod, though well aware that Knox Church congregation was *unanimous* in wishing to retain the use of the Musical Instrument, did, by a large majority carry a peremptory injunction instructing the Session to have it discontinued and report compliance at the next meeting of the Presbytery of Montreal; thereby bringing the Session and congregation into direct collision.

VII Inasmuch as the Moderator of Synod declared the Overture to be an *interim* act, which would have secured the use of the instrument to this congregation for the present year; while such decision was reversed on an appeal to the House on the aforesaid grounds the congregation think that they have been treated in a way which in their circumstances they believe to be cruel, partial and unwarrantably severe; nevertheless because of their unanimous attachment to their beloved pastor, and their disposition to comply with his wish as also that of the Session, in yielding to the severe injunction of the Supreme Court, they agree to *permit* the discontinuance of the Instrument in the meantime; still cherishing the prayerful hope that the rights solicited in their Overture and memorial will be accorded at next meeting of Synod.

(Signed,)

ARCH. SWAN,
Chairman.

The foregoing having been read to the congregation at the close of service on Wednesday 24th July, the following resolution was carried *nem. con.* Moved J. H. Mooney, seconded by A. McIntosh. That the reasons of dissent, now read, be adopted, and ordered to be recorded, and that a copy of the same, accompanied by copies of the resolution and amendment be sent to the Editor of the "Home and Foreign Record of the Canada Presbyterian Church," as also to the Editors of each of our city papers, for publication.

AN ELDER DECEASED.

Uriah Seymour, Esq., died here on the 14th of April last, aged 65 years.

He was born in New Hartford, Oneida County, York State, and lived on his father's farm till he was 18. He then went to work at the Westmoreland Furnaces. In 1824 he became a partner of a firm engaged in the manufacture of iron at Wolcott. Extending the business, he came here in 1836, at a time when few settlers had taken up their residence in this part of the country, and the journey from Belleville occupied two days. He brought with him a number of relatives and others as workmen, and erected a furnace at a considerable outlay. For the first few years he was engaged in making experiments on the best mode of manufacturing the iron ore, but just when all the difficulties were surmounted, and the concern was beginning to prove very lucrative, unfortunate business relations caused the entire suspension of the works. He lived in the hope that he might be able some day to resume them, but that has not been realised, and this valuable mineral remained undeveloped.

He was a very industrious man, and "whatsoever his hand found to do he did with all his might." He occupied several important positions—was the first Township Reeve under the old municipal law—was some time superintendent of schools, and took a warm interest in the subject of education; was many years engaged in the advocacy of Temperance, and a rigid member of the Society to the last. As a landlord, he was most forbearing, would rather suffer a loss than sue to recover a debt;—never put his coin to usury, and when he 'swore to his own hurt, changed not.' In the prime of life, he gave himself to the Lord—since then he has been abundant in good works. When the settlement was young, he performed the duties both of physician and minister to the sick, and at funerals. He established a sabbath school, and furnished it with a library, and kept religion alive long ere any church was erected. Since my ordination he has been my most regular and painstaking teacher in my sabbath school, was never absent from a diet of worship, and was my principal stand-by in leading the music. He was liberal in the interests of the church till he felt it, for he was not rich;—