

no children. The work which he founded has long since outgrown his personal supervision, and will go on without interruption.—*Congregationalist*

## Editorial Articles.

### CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

The fortieth annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, was opened on Wednesday, 7th of June, at London, Ont., in the first Congregational church, Dundas Street, Rev. Robt. Aylward, pastor. The attendance of pastors and delegates was full and satisfactory. By the evening nearly all had arrived. From 9 to 10 A.M. was occupied by devotional exercises, the Chairman of the Union, Rev. Edward M. Hill, presiding.

At 10 the business of the Union was taken up. Revs. G. H. Craik and W. S. Pritchard were appointed Minute Secretaries. The standing committees were then elected. Rev. A. F. McGregor, Chairman of *Business Com.*; Rev. T. Hall, Chairman of *Membership Com.*; Rev. John Morton, Chairman of *Nomination Com.*; Mr. J. M. M. Duff, Chairman of *Finance Com.*

Rev. John P. Gerrie, Secretary of the Union, read the annual report. After an interval of ten years, the Union again assembled in London. Two Congregational churches now, with their pastors, welcome us, instead of one. During the decade many changes have occurred. Rev. Robt. Brown, one of the former members, and Miss Clarke, missionary in Africa, have died during the year. Mr. Currie is returning to his African field. Two ladies from our churches are also going to Africa as missionaries. We also extend a welcome to Rev. John B. Silcox, who is returning to the Dominion, and who preached before the Union when assembled here ten years ago.

Among questions to be discussed are Lord's Day observance, and the opening of the World's Fair on Sunday; the question of Church Union; and our denominational publications.

Several applications for membership were read and referred.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

At 11 o'clock the Home Missionary Society held its meeting, Dr. Cornish presiding. Rev. J. R. Black, Minute Secretary.

Rev. John Wood, Secretary, read the report. Twenty Home Missionaries had been employed, and six students during the College vacation. \$7,500 in a lump sum, had been accepted from the heirs, in settlement of the reversionary rights of the society in the will of late H. J. Clark. \$5,000 realized from sale of Quebec property. Mortgage of Sarnia property purchased. Newmarket property to be acquired. \$2,300 loaned to Brandon; aid promised to church extension in Hamilton. The contributions from the churches were \$320 less than last year, or \$2,214 in all. Total income for the year, \$4,581. These figures are exclusive of the Shirliff bequest.

Dr. Jackson presented the Treasurer's statement.

Rev. John Morton, in moving adoption of report said, it might, on some hands, been said the Executive might have been bolder, and extended more, but let it be remembered they were under somewhat strict commands from the last meeting, to be careful in the matter of expenditure. It was not much to the credit of the churches, that this care and caution should have been so necessary. He pleaded for more confidence and better support for the Society.

A question was asked as to the total stipends received by the pastors. Finally a motion was carried, asking the Union to obtain this added information in their statistics.

The officers were re-elected; Rev. John Wood, 88 Elgin Street, Ottawa, Secretary.

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

was wholly taken up by committee work. The Union met again at 8 P.M. to hear the annual

### ADDRESS FROM THE CHAIR,

by the new Chairman, Rev. Edward M. Hill, of Montreal, on "The Genius of Congregational Christianity." Last year (said he) you sent one from your Ontario "Forest" to preside at our meetings at the foot of Mt. Royal; this year Quebec province sends one of her "Hills" to preside over your meeting in the "Forest City." A decade ago, when the Union met here, the author of the report presented, said, "Read the report of the Union,