

MINUTES  
OF THE  
SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
CONGREGATIONAL UNION  
OF  
CANADA;

HELD AT ZION CHURCH, MONTREAL,

13TH—20TH JUNE, 1860.

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WITH STATISTICAL REPORT.

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REV. PROFESSOR ADAM LILLIE, D.D.

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Secretary-Treasurer.

REVEREND EDWARD EBBS, PARIS, C.W.

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Committee.

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| REV. HENRY WILKES, D.D., | MESSRS. T. HENDRY, |
| “ K. M. FENWICK,         | “ G. CHAFFEY,      |
| “ JOHN CLIMIE,           | “ R. RATTENBURG,   |
| “ ARCHIBALD BURPEE,      | “ J. CRIDIFORD,    |
| “ WILLIAM HAYDEN,        | “ J. NOON, AND     |
| MR. WILLIAM MASSIE,      | “ H. FREELAND.     |

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Next Annual Meeting at Kingston (D. V.), on the second  
Wednesday (*i. e.* 12th day) of June, 1861, at 4 P.M.

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THE SEVENTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY  
OF THE  
CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA,  
JUNE, 1860.

The Seventh Annual Assembly of the Congregational Union of Canada, convened in "Zion Church," Montreal, on Wednesday, June 13th, 1860, at 4 p.m., Rev. H. Wilkes, D.D., Chairman, opening the session with devotional exercises. The Rev. John Wood was chosen *Minute Secretary*, and R. H. Smith, Esq., of Newmarket, *Assistant Minute Secretary*.

The Sessional Roll was formed, consisting, during the meetings, of the following names:

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

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| Adams, L. P.          | Dunkerley, D.      | McDonald, Alex.     |
| Allworth, W. H.       | Durrant, John      | McGregor, Robert    |
| Baird, R. G.          | Ebbs, Edward       | McKillican, John    |
| Barker, Enoch         | Elliot, Joseph     | Parker, A. J.       |
| Black, R. K.          | Fenwick, K. M.     | Powis, H. D.        |
| Boyd, James           | Fraser, John       | Pullar, Thomas      |
| Burpee, Archibald     | Hay, William       | Reikie, T. M.       |
| Byrne, J. T.          | Hay, Robert        | Robertson, James    |
| Clarke, William       | Hayden, William    | Shanks, Philip      |
| Clarke, W. F.         | Howell, James      | Sherrill, E. J.     |
| Climie, John          | Lancashire, Henry  | Watson, C. P.       |
| Cornish, George, B.A. | Lillie, Adam, D.D. | Wickson, A., LL.D.  |
| Denny, Hiram          | Marling, F. H.     | Wilkes, Henry, D.D. |
| Duff, Archibald       | McCallum, Daniel   | Wood, John,—42.     |

LAY DELEGATES.

| FROM   | FROM   |
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| <i>Bowmanville, C.W.</i> { H. O'Hara<br>R. Young.        | <i>Melbourne, C.E.</i> .... { Dr. Webber.<br>Josiah Brown                        |
| <i>Burford, C.W.</i> ..... { Wm. Ross.<br>Ed. Yeigh.     | <i>Martintown, C.W.</i> ... { A. McGregor.<br>P. Christie.                       |
| <i>Cobourg, C.W.</i> ..... J. Field.                     | <i>Montreal, C.E.</i> ..... { C. Alexander.<br>"Zion Church,"... { S. W. Abbott. |
| <i>Danville, C.E.</i> ..... J. L. Goodhue                | <i>Newmarket, C.W.</i> .... R. H. Smith.   |
| <i>Eaton, C.E.</i> ..... J. McNichol.                    | <i>Paris, C.W.</i> ..... C. Whitlaw.   |
| <i>Guelph, C.W.</i> ..... Richd. Baker.                  | <i>Sherbrooke, C.E.</i> .... A. Hamilton.  |
| <i>Hamilton, C.W.</i> .... { Wm. Edgar.<br>J. C. Barton. | <i>St. Andrews, C.E.</i> .... D. Dewar.  |
| <i>Inverness, C.E.</i> .... G. Strasenburg               | <i>Stanstead.</i> ..... { S. W. Wiman<br>South, C.E. .... { P. Pomroy.           |
| <i>Kingston, C.W.</i> .... { Wm. Jones.<br>M. A. Orme.   | <i>Toronto, C.W.</i> ..... { H. Hewlett<br>2nd Church..... }                     |
| <i>Listowell, C.W.</i> .... D. D. Campbell               |  |
| <i>Vaughan, C.W., A. W. Wallis—28.</i>                   |  |

## DELEGATES FROM CORRESPONDING BODIES.

- Rev. David Dyer..... General Association of New York.  
 " Jacob Cummings..... General Association of New Hampshire.  
 " Thomas Smith..... General Conference of Maine—3.

## HONORARY MEMBERS.

The following gentlemen, being present, were invited to sit as honorary members, viz :

- Rev. George E. Adams, D.D., of Brunswick, Maine.  
 " Timothy Atkinson, of Westport, Connecticut.  
 " S. T. Gibbs, of Long Island Consociation.  
 " Robert Wilson, of Sheffield, New Brunswick:  
 " C. Pearl, of Waterville, Vt.  
 " J. T. Pattison.  
 " J. B. Bonar, American Presbyterian, Montreal.

Also Messrs. G. Hague, of Toronto ; T. McGill, of Trafalgar ; S. Jackson, of Brome ; and John Dougall, Editor of the *Montreal Witness*.

All ministers present, standing proposed for membership, delegates from churches standing proposed for membership, and students of the Theological Institute, were also received as honorary members of the session.

The hours of session were fixed at from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m.

The following Temporary Committee for business and nominations was then appointed by the Chair, viz. : Rev. Messrs. Marling, Fenwick, Reikie, Parker, and C. Whitlaw, Esq.

Rev. E. Ebbs, Secretary of the Union, presented from the Union Committee, a general docket of business, which was received and adopted.

The Committees appointed at the last meeting of the Union, to consider certain proposed amendments in the Constitution of the Union, and of the Missionary Society, reported thereon. Said Reports were received, and laid on the table, to be taken up on Friday afternoon.

Delegates from last meeting to Corresponding Bodies, reported :

Rev. T. M. Reikie, Delegate to the United Presbyterian Synod of Canada, had written.

Rev. J. Elliot had written to the General Association of Massachusetts.

Rev. A. Duff had attended the General Conference of Maine.

Rev. George E. Adams, D.D., of Maine, was then called on to address the Union, being obliged shortly to leave the meeting. After which Rev. A. J. Parker reported having fulfilled his appointment as delegate to the General Convention of Vermont.

Rev. R. G. Baird, delegate to the General Association of Michigan, had attended.

Rev. J. T. Byrne, delegate to the General Association of New York, had attended.

Rev. Dr. Wilkes, delegate to the Congregational Union of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia could not attend, but had written.

The Secretary reported having, according to instruction, written to the Congregational Union of Scotland, and the Congregational Unions of South Australia and Victoria. After devotional exercises, adjourned.

At 30 minutes past 7 P.M., met for divine worship.

Rev. Joseph Elliot, of Ottawa City, preached the Annual Sermon, from Luke xxiii. 28, "Jesus said, \* \* Weep not for me." Rev. Dr. Wickson and Rev. J. T. Pattison conducted the devotional exercises.

At the close of this service, the Union remained in session, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Temporary Committee on business and nominations. Their report was received and adopted, the following committees being thus appointed, viz.:

*Business Committee*:—Revs. W. Clarke, Convener, J. Elliot, A. Burpee, and Messrs. W. Edgar, and J. L. Goodhue.

*Nomination Committee*:—Revs. J. Climie, Convener, J. McKillican, D. McCallum, with Messrs. McNichol, and O'Hara.

*Membership Committee*:—Revs. E. J. Sherrill, Convener, W. Hay, W. H. Allworth, with Messrs. Wallis and Alexander.

*Public Services Committee*:—Revs. Dr. Wilkes, Convener, A. McDonald, H. Denny, A. Duff, and P. Shanks.

*Finance Committee*:—Messrs. C. Whittaw, Convener, Yeigh, Orme, Pomroy, and Brown.

The following nomination of *Missionary Committee* was laid on the table, to be taken up for balloting to-morrow morning:—

Rev. Dr. Wilkes, Secretary-Treasurer; Rev. K. M. Fenwick, Home Secretary. Revs. E. Ebbs, J. Wood, A. Lillie, D.D., A. J. Parker, R. Wilson, and Messrs. W. Jones, S. W. Abbott, H. Hewlett, Andrew Hamilton, J. C. Barton, and D. D. Campbell.

Adjourned with the Doxology.

#### Thursday, June 14th, Second Day.

The Union met at 9 A.M., and after spending an hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. A. Duff,

The Rev. Henry Wilkes, D.D., Chairman of last year, delivered his *retiring address*. The Rev. J. Robertson was called upon to lead the assembly in prayer; before doing which, he made a few remarks.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and confirmed. The Roll was called.

#### BALLOT FOR CHAIRMAN.

The Union then proceeded to ballot for a new Chairman. Rev. Messrs. Baird and Allworth were appointed scrutineers.

The election resulted in the choice of the Rev. Professor Adam Lillie, D.D.

The election, by ballot, of the *Missionary Committee*, was deferred by a Motion, referring the Nomination back to the Temporary Committee of Nominations, with instruction to report a list of all Ministers and Delegates representing self-sustaining churches present. Such a list being reported, after some discussion, it was resolved that the Nomination first made, together with the list of Ministers, and Delegates of self-sustaining churches be read, in order that the Union may proceed immediately to ballot. The ballot thereupon, resulted in the election of the original nomination as above.

The Secretary read letters from the churches in Ottawa City and Trafalgar, seeking admission into the Union. On motion they were referred to the Membership Committee.

Also, a letter from Rev. Samuel Harris, of Simcoe, again asking for a letter of dismission; and a letter from Mr. J. E. Martin and Dr. J. Clarke, in the name of the brethren claiming to be the first Congregational Church in that place, enclosing a contribution towards the funds of the Union, and asking to be recognized as still in connection with it. On motion, both letters were laid on the table, *nem. con.*

The Treasurer presented his account, duly audited; which was received and adopted, (*See Appendix.*)

On Report of the Membership Committee, recommending their admission, the following parties were received into membership:— Rev. Joseph Hooper, of Owen Sound; Rev. C. P. Watson, of London; the Congregational Church at Erin.

On recommendation of the same committee, the church at Osprey; that at St. Andrews, C. W., under pastoral charge of Rev. R. Hay; that at Ottawa, under pastoral care of Rev. J. Elliot; that at Blue Vale, under pastoral charge of Rev. R. McGregor; that at Trafalgar, under the care of the Rev. H. Denny, stand proposed for membership.

After prayer, adjourned till evening.

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#### SOCIAL MEETING.

At 7½ P.M., a social meeting was held in the basement of Zion Church, at which, by request of the chairman, Dr. Wilkes presided.

After singing, and prayer by the Rev. J. Durrant, addresses were received from the following delegates from Corresponding Bodies, viz: Rev. D. Dyer, delegate from the General Association of New York, and Rev. J. Cummings, delegate from the General Association of New Hampshire, Rev. Timothy Atkinson, formerly of Quebec, being present as a visitor from Connecticut, was also called on to address the meeting.

During the evening, a cold collation was served, and intermissions were given for free conversation. The meeting was closed with singing, and prayer by Rev. W. F. Clarke.

*Friday 15th, Third Day.*

At 9 A.M., met, and spent the first hour in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. Climie, after which the annual meeting of subscribers to the Canadian Congregational Theological Institute took place, by permission of the Union.

At 2½ P.M., the Union resumed session, opened with singing and prayer.

The Rev. W. F. Clarke asked permission to make some statements at such time as may be appointed, in relation to the collections sent to him by the Canadian churches in aid of the church erection in Victoria, Vancouver's Island. The request was referred to the Business Committee.

The Business Committee reported;

Recommending that condensed minutes of the Union Meeting be printed, distinct from the "*Canadian Independent's*" report of it, accompanied by the statistical table. This recommendation was adopted, and its execution committed to the Secretary of the Union, and the Minute Secretary.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Union be respectfully and gratefully tendered to Andrew Hamilton, Esq., of Toronto, for the publications he has so generously presented to the ministerial members of the Union, for distribution.

In reference to the proposal of the General Association of New Hampshire, through its delegate, respecting an American Congregational Union, the Business Committee reported, recommending that a committee be appointed to aid, in conjunction with committees from other bodies, in arranging and organizing such a convention. Report laid on the table.

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#### FRENCH CANADIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Resolved*, That the French Canadian Missionary Society deserves the continued entire confidence, and cordial support of our churches; believing, as we do, that the social and religious advancement of our country is identified with the success of its operations.

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#### CANADA FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

*Resolved*, That this Union re-affirms the expression of its confidence in the Canada Foreign Missionary Society, and cordially commends it to the sympathy and support of the churches.

By recommendation of Business Committee, the hour of noon tomorrow, was appointed for hearing of Rev. W. F. Clarke, as requested.

The Union then resolved itself into committee of the whole, to take up the reports of committees on proposed changes in the Constitution of the Union, and of the Canadian Congregational Missionary Society.



At 5½ P.M., the committee of the whole rose, and through their chairman, Dr. Wilkes, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. Leave was granted to resume their sitting at the close of the evening service. The Union adjourned with devotional exercises.

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PUBLIC MEETING IN BEHALF OF THE CANADIAN CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

At 7½ P.M., the annual public meeting in behalf of the Canadian Congregational Missionary Society was held, the chairman of the Union presiding. A hymn having been sung, Rev. J. Howell, led in prayer. Dr. Wilkes read an abstract of the Report for 1859-60. Narratives,—five minutes in length—of the state of religion in their several churches, were given by Rev. Messrs. Climie, Barker, Shanks, Denny, Duff, Parker, Powis and R. Hay. The meeting was closed with singing, and prayer by Rev. T. Atkinson.

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*Saturday 16th, Fourth Day.*

9 A.M., The first hour was spent in a devotional service, conducted by Rev. E. J. Sherrill. Dr. Lillie then took the chair. The roll was called, and the minutes read and confirmed.

The Rev. Thomas Smith, delegate from the General Conference of Maine, addressed the Union.

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THE UNIVERSITY QUESTION.

The Rev. Mr. Marling, then brought up the University Question, and after a lengthy address, moved that a committee be appointed to draft a petition to the Legislature, to be circulated through the churches of our denomination in Canada, praying that no part of the endowment of the University of Toronto, be appropriated to the support of denominational colleges. This motion was seconded.

Dr. Lillie then left the chair, (Rev. J. Elliot temporarily presiding) and addressed the Union, at length, on the same subject; after which the debate on this question was suspended *pro tem*, until a suitable hour on Monday, to be named by the Business Committee.

The meeting then adjourned, after singing the Doxology.

2½ P.M., Resumed session, with devotional exercises.

The Finance Committee presented their statement, reporting funds in hand, equal to 80 per cent of the travelling expenses of members having claims on the fund. The report was adopted.

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REV. W. F. CLARKE'S STATEMENT.

The order of the day was then suspended, in order to hear Rev. W. F. Clarke, whose appointed hour of the morning *sederunt* had

been otherwise engrossed. Mr. Clarke then addressed the Union. Whereupon a resolution was moved by Rev. F. H. Marling, and seconded by Rev. H. D. Powis, which was subsequently withdrawn. A debate ensued, which at length it was resolved to suspend.

The Union cordially adopted the following *recommendation* :

*Resolved*, That in consideration of our beloved brother's loss, (by wreck,) of his library, and other valuable effects, on their outward-bound voyage, we recommend that the donors of the contributions towards the church erected by him and his people in Victoria, present these amounts severally to the Rev. W. F. Clarke, towards repairing his loss.

At 4 45 P.M., the Union adjourned, the chairman pronouncing the benediction.

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*Sabbath 17th, Fifth Day.*

Met for Divine Worship at 11 A.M. The Rev. R. K. Black, of Lanark, preached by appointment of the Union. Text Heb. ii: 10. "For it became Him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the Captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings." The Rev. W. H. Allworth conducted the devotional exercises.

At 3 P.M., the Sabbath School, in connection with Zion Church was addressed by Rev. Messrs. Elliot, Durrant, W. F. Clarke, and H. Denny, and by Mr. John Nasmith, of Toronto. Rev. J. Climie, led in prayer.

At 7½ P.M., met again for Divine Worship. Rev. J. Wood, of Brantford, preached from John xv, 11. "These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full." Rev. E. Barker assisted in the devotional exercises.

The members of the Union then joined with Zion Church, in celebrating the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, the pastor presiding. Rev. T. Smith (delegate from Maine) and Rev. A. Duff of Cowansville, assisted in the service.

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*Monday 18th, Sixth Day.*

9 A.M., the first hour was spent, as usual, in devotional conference, Rev. T. M. Reikie presiding. Dr. Lillie then took the chair.

The Roll was called. The minutes were read and confirmed.

The Secretary presented the following documents, viz:—

A Memorial from the officers of the British American Order of Good Templars, on the subject of Temperance, which having been read, was referred to the Business Committee, to report thereon.

A letter from the Rev. J. W. Wellman, delegate of the General Association of Massachusetts, apologizing for his absence, and conveying the salutations of that body.

Also a letter from the Rev. W. E. Catlin, delegate of the General Association of Michigan, to the same effect.

Also a letter from Rev. William Ormiston, D.D., delegate of the United Presbyterian Synod of Canada, expressing regret at being unable to be present, the Synod being in session at Hamilton simultaneously with this Union. The letter referred to the Tri-centenary celebration of the Reformation, in Scotland. On motion, this part of the letter was referred to the Business Committee.

Also, a written application from Rev. J. Howell, for a letter of dismission and introduction to the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. A letter was accordingly granted.

The Rev. James Boyd, through the Secretary, made verbal request that since, in consequence of failure of health, he had entered into commercial engagements, his name may be erased from the roll. The request was granted.

The Secretary brought up the Report of a Committee on the reconstruction of Missionary Districts, which remained on the table, from last annual meeting. This Report was referred to the Committee of the whole at its next sitting.

The Committee, appointed last year, to report to this meeting, upon Dr. Ryerson's circular, relative to existing provisions for religious instruction in the Common Schools of Canada West, reported through Rev. D. McCallum. The report was received and after discussion, the following resolution was carried unanimously, viz :—

*Resolved*, That this Body, having considered a document sent it by the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, containing regulations in reference to religious instruction and prayer in our Common Schools, passed by the Board of Public Instruction in Canada West, and also a request from himself, that we should give our views in reference to the subject matter involved, — we beg most distinctly and most respectfully to reply, that in our opinion the whole matter of religious instruction and prayers, in common schools, should be left to the regulation of the Teachers and Trustees in each section, without doing violence to the conscience of any one concerned in such arrangement.

#### TOTAL ABSTINENCE.

The following declaration, introduced by the Business Committee was unanimously adopted :—

That this Union in view of the alarming prevalence of Intemperance and its attendant evils, deems the present a fitting time to renew its testimony in favour of Total Abstinence, and in opposition to all customs, examples, and legal enactments, tending to uphold and encourage the use of intoxicating drinks as beverages, and the traffic in them as such.

*Resolved therefore*, (1.) That it is of the highest importance, and in the opinion of this Union, the solemn duty of all ministers of the Gospel, personally to act upon the principle of Total Abstinence, and in all suitable ways to discountenance the use of intoxicating drinks as beverages, by all men, and especially by members of Christian Churches.

(2.) That we earnestly entreat Parents and Guardians, in view of their weighty responsibilities, to make Total Abstinence their own law, and the law of their households.

(3.) That it is, indeed, a brand of disgrace, and subject for shame and sorrow, that an enlightened and christian country like ours, should by law patronize, sustain and protect the traffic, which entails upon its inhabitants miseries the most appalling, crimes the most fearful, and the ultimate destruction of the bodies and souls of mankind.

(4.) That the signs of the times clearly indicate the desirableness of a deeper religious interest being taken by christians of every name throughout the land in the cause of Temperance.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL REPORT.

The Rev. J. Elliot, according to appointment of last meeting, presented a special report upon the Sabbath Schools in connexion with the Congregational Churches of Canada which was received and adopted, with thanks to Mr. Elliot for it, and the request that he would prepare a synopsis of it for publication in the "*Canadian Independent*."

The Finance Committee reported that through the generosity of some friends in Montreal, a supplementary sum of \$93 had been placed in their hands, to enable them to reimburse the travelling expenses of Ministers and Delegates in full.

The Business Committee reported the following resolutions which were severally and unanimously adopted:—

That the grateful acknowledgments of the Union be presented to their Christian friends in this city for their kind and generous hospitality, for their abounding liberality to the funds of the Union, and for the very pleasant excursion through the Victoria Bridge, provided through their thoughtful kindness and munificence.

That the cordial thanks of this Union be respectfully presented to Mr. Shanley and the Grand Trunk Railway Company, for its half-fare arrangement, and for the courtesy in connection with the excursion through the Victoria Bridge, and also to the Bytown and Prescott Railway Company, the Stanstead and Shefford, and Chambly Railway Company, and the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railway Company, as well as to the several Steamboat Companies, which have conveyed members to this Annual Meeting at half price.

That the hearty thanks of this Union be, and are hereby presented to their late Chairman, the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, for his timely and valuable address, on retiring from the chair; and that we respectfully request our esteemed brother to allow its publication in the "*Canadian Independent*."

After singing and prayer the Union adjourned.

#### THE "CANADIAN INDEPENDENT."

At 2½ P. M., met, and after devotional exercises, Mr. George Hague, of Toronto, addressed the union relative to the position and prospects of the "*Canadian Independent*."

Upon Report of the Business Committee, it was unanimously resolved:—That the cordial thanks of the Union be respectfully presented to the Rev. T. M. Reikie, for the valuable and acceptable services he has rendered this body, as the Editor of the "*Canadian Independent*."

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#### THE STATISTICAL TABLE, AND SUMMARY.

The Secretary of the Union presented his Statistical Report. Upon which a resolution of thanks to the Secretary for his valuable services was passed unanimously, and presented to him by the chairman.

The discussion on the Rev. W. F. Clarke's difficulties with the Colonial Missionary Society, was resumed. Resolutions were presented by Professor Cornish in amendment of the Rev. Mr. Marling's. Both were referred to a Committee consisting of these two gentlemen, with Messrs. Ebbs, Fenwick, and Reikie, to report at a subsequent session.

After singing and prayer the meeting adjourned.

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#### ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING OF UNION.

At 7½ p. m., the Annual Public Meeting was held, the chairman presiding. The meeting was opened with a song of praise, reading the Scriptures, and prayer offered by the Rev. R. McGregor. The chairman delivered an address. The Secretary read a Summary Statement of the Statistics of the Canadian Churches. Rev. E. J. Sherrill, and Rev. R. Wilson of New Brunswick addressed the meeting. The Rev. T. Pullar, and Rev. C. Pearl were also called upon to do so, but declined on account of the lateness of the hour.

The service was concluded by singing, and prayer by Dr. Wilkes.

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#### *Tuesday 19th, Seventh Day.*

8 A. M., The Union met an hour earlier, in order to spend two hours in devotional conference. Professor Cornish presided.

At 10 A. M., Dr. Lillie took the chair. The roll was called, and the Minutes were read and confirmed.

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#### TRI-CENTENARY CELEBRATION OF THE REFORMATION IN SCOTLAND.

On report of the Business Committee it was unanimously

*Resolved*,—That we respond most cordially to the overture made to us by the Rev. Dr. Ormiston, for a united meeting, composed of all evangelical Churches, in relation to the Tri-centenary celebration of the Reformation in Scotland.

## SPECIAL DAYS OF PRAYER, &amp;c.

On report of the Business Committee, it was unanimously

*Resolved*,—That we recommend to our Churches that the *last Thursday in February* be observed for united prayer for Colleges and Schools, that all learning may be sanctified in promoting the glory of Christ and the good of souls. It was also unanimously *Resolved*, That the Ministers of this Union be requested to preach on the subject of *Temperance* on the *third Sabbath of December*. Also, That the Churches and Ministers be recommended to observe the Second Sabbath of November as a day of special prayer for the out pouring of the Holy Spirit on our land.

The Treasurer of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Society, having asked the Union to join that Society in recommending, that the Canadian Churches take up a collection on its behalf, upon the *first Sabbath in August*, on motion, the Union concurred in this recommendation.

## REV. W. F. CLARKE'S MISSION AGAIN.

Professor Cornish then reported, on behalf of the Committee appointed yesterday, the following resolution; which was carried unanimously:

*Resolved*,—That this Union regards the setting apart of a *negro corner in a place of worship*, as incompatible with the just and equal spirit of Christianity; that the Rev. W. F. Clarke, when a demand to that effect was made upon him, did right to set his face against it; that in so doing, he deserved the support of all his brethren; and therefore, whilst we are fully persuaded that the Committee of the Colonial Missionary Society sincerely hold, as they have before and since avowed, the principle herein asserted, we do deeply lament that they did not, in the reply to the appeal made to them in the matter, give a distinct and emphatic utterance to the said principle; and that, whether through misunderstanding between Mr. Clarke and them, or through indiscretion on the part of either, or both, the present unhappy result has attended the action of both parties in the matter of the British Columbian Mission.

At 11 A. M., the Union resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, in relation to the proposed changes in the constitution of the Missionary Society.

At 11.20 A. M., the Committee rose, and reported through Dr. Wilkes, recommending that the proposed amendments to the constitution of the Missionary Society, and the proposed re-construction of the Missionary Districts lie over till the next meeting of the Union.—*Carried*.

Dr. Wilkes further reported in behalf of the Committee of the Whole, recommending sundry amendments in the constitution, and standing rules of the Union, which on motion, were severally adopted. The constitution and standing rules, as amended, were then confirmed. (For the amended form, see Appendix.)

## THE UNIVERSITY QUESTION AGAIN.

In amendment of the Resolution proposing the appointment of a Committee, to draft a Petition to the Legislature, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted :

"*Resolved*,—That this Union, many of the members of which, with others like-minded, have earnestly contended in the past, for the deliverance of King's College, now the University of Toronto, from denominational control, have marked with much solicitude, the progress of the attempt, now made, to divide a portion of its endowment among the various denominational colleges.

"They earnestly protest against such an application of the surplus funds, 1. Because dealing with denominations as such, on the part of the Government, has been proved by all experience, to be a source of temptation, and injury to both.

"2. Because the claim set forth by denominational institutions for a monopoly, or a vast superiority of moral, and religious influences, is unsupported by facts.

"3. Because, if the sectarian principle is once admitted, aid must be granted to every denomination alike, or injustice will be done to those passed by ; and thus, the number of institutions claiming aid, will be so large, that the amount available for each, out of the surplus University income, can be but insignificant.

"4. Because, in consequence of such a multiplication of claimants, the surplus being found insufficient, a demand will next arise, in all probability, for the reduction of the amount granted to the unsectarian institution ; a process tending to its eventual destruction.

"5. Because it will be impossible to maintain a large number of such establishments, in any degree of efficiency.

"6. Because, virtually, the State will thus be made to contribute to the Theological training of the ministers of the several churches.

"7. Because various Christian denominations, among whom we take our place, cannot from conscientious conviction, avail themselves of government aid in any form, and the distribution will thus become unequal.

"8. Because it is a great advantage to the youth of a country, of different churches, that they mingle together during the period of their education, and

"9. Because there are numerous other unobjectionable methods, by which the surplus funds can be appropriated by Parliament, for academic education in Upper Canada."

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 APPOINTMENTS FOR NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.

The Rev. Thomas Pullar presented, in writing, an invitation from the Hamilton Church, to the Union, to hold its next annual meeting there. A verbal invitation to the same effect, was presented by the Rev. K. M. Fenwick, in behalf of the Kingston Church.

It was resolved that the invitation of the Kingston Church be accepted. and that the next meeting be held in that city, convening on Wednesday, 12th June, 1861, at 4 P. M.

Upon Report of the Nomination Committee, the following preachers were appointed for 1861 :

Annual sermon, Rev. A. Sim, M. A., Primary; Rev. J. Wheeler, Alternate.

Sabbath morning, Rev. A. J. Parker, Primary; Rev. P. Shanks, Alternate. Rev. K. M. Fenwick, was re-appointed to prepare an Essay on the subject assigned him last year.

The following Officers and Committee of the Union were appointed, (previously by ballot) :

*Chairman*, Rev. Prof. Adam Lillie, D. D.

*Secretary and Treasurer*, Rev. Edward Ebbs.

*Committee of Union* : Rev. H. Wilkes, D. D., Rev. K. M. Fenwick, Rev. J. Climie, Rev. A. Burpee, Rev. W. Hayden, Messrs. W. Massie, J. Hendry, G. Chaffey, R. Rattenburg, J. Cridiford, J. Noon, and H. Freeland.

The Nomination of Local District Missionary Committees was adopted, viz. :

*Western District*; Rev. Messrs. R. Robinson, E. Ebbs, W. Hay, T. Pular, W. H. Allworth; and Messrs. W. Edgar, C. Whitlaw, J. Woodyatt, A. Malcolm, D. D. Hay, and Rev. John Wood, *Secretary*.

*Middle District*; Rev. Messrs. A. Lillie, D. D., F. H. Marling, T. M. Reikie, J. Unsworth, A. Wickson, LL.D.; and Messrs. H. O'Hara, J. F. Marling, R. H. Smith, E. Childs, James Fraser, and Rev. J. T. Byrne, *Secretary*.

*Eastern District*; Rev. Messrs. K. M. Fenwick, R. K. Black, J. Climie, W. Hayden, P. Shanks; and Messrs. J. C. Field, B. B. Ross, R. Robertson, W. Massie, J. Mair, and Rev. Archibald Burpee, *Secretary*.

*Lower Canada District*; Rev. Messrs. H. Wilkes, D. D., G. Cornish, A. M.; and Messrs. C. Alexander, A. Savage, W. Moodie, W. R. Hibbard, and James Baylis, *Secretary*.

Eastern Townships section of do; Rev. Messrs. D. Dunkerley, A. Duff, E. J. Sherrill; and Messrs. S. A. Hurd, L. Tuck, P. Pomroy, S. L. Hungerford, and Rev. Alexander McDonald, *Secretary*.

*Nova Scotia and New Brunswick District*; Rev. Messrs. Sterling, Thornton, G. Rawson, James Howell, S. Snider; and Messrs. Isaac Burpee, T. B. Barker, H. P. Bridges (Sheffield), J. Burton (Halifax), W. H. Trueman, Captain McLeod, and Rev. Robert Wilson, *Secretary*.

The following gentlemen were appointed as \*

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES, FOR 1860-61.

To the United Presbyterian Synod of Canada, Rev. E. Barker, primary; Rev. R. K. Black, alternate.

To General Association of Mass., Prof. Cornish, A. M., primary; Rev. E. J. Sherrill, alternate.

To General Conference of Maine, Rev. A. McDonald, primary Rev. A. J. Parker, alternate.

To General Convention of Vermont, Rev. L. P. Adams, primary; Rev. G. B. Bucher, alternate.

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To General Association of New York, Rev. T. M. Reikie, primary ;  
Rev. A. Burpee, alternate.

To General Association of New Hampshire, Rev. J. Elliot, primary ;  
Rev. K. M. Fenwick, alternate.

To Presby. and Cong. Convention of Wisconsin, Rev. E. Ebbs,  
primary ; Rev. W. Hay, alternate.

To General Association of Michigan, Rev. D. McCallum, primary ;  
Rev. C. P. Watson, alternate.

To Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick,  
Rev. K. M. Fenwick, primary ; Rev. Dr. Wilkes, alternate.

On motion, the Missionary Report, an abstract of which had been  
read by Rev. Dr. Wilkes, was adopted, and ordered to be printed.

After singing and prayer, the Union adjourned, to meet in  
Kingston, on Wednesday, the 12th June, 1861, at 4 P. M.

A. LILLIE, D.D., *Chairman.*

JOHN WOOD, *Minute Secretary.*

A true condensed copy of the Minutes.

EDWARD EBBS, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

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**THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA, IN ACCOUNT WITH EDWARD EBBS,  
TREASURER.**

|   | 1860.  | \$ cts. | June 14 | \$ cts. | \$ cts.  |
|---|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Yrs. To Balance due Treasurer, from 1858-9.....   |        |         |         |         |          |
| June 10. " Express charges .....  | 1 37   | 0 75    |         |         | 10 00    |
| " 10 " Sundry payments by Finance Committee, Toronto to and from the annual meeting.....                    |        |         |         |         | 6 00     |
| On account of Travelling Expenses of J. Lovell's account, printing.....                                     | 215 76 |         |         |         |          |
| Banker's acct, printing extra copies of C. I. Rev. D. Dunkerley do.....                                     | 73 04  |         |         |         |          |
| Rev. D. Dunkerley do.....   | 47 00  |         |         |         |          |
| Share of postage on Triplic Reports.....  | 18 00  |         |         |         |          |
| Freight on New Con. Hymn Books, (F. H. M.).....   | 1 91   |         |         |         |          |
| Sundry charges on correspondence agent.....   | 3 38   |         |         |         |          |
| Do. freight and express charges.....  | 0 75   |         |         |         |          |
| Printing Statistical Blank Circulars.....   | 2 41   |         |         |         |          |
| Stationery for meeting, 35 cts.....   | 0 62   |         |         |         |          |
| Travelling expenses to and from Hamilton, to attempt a negotiation for reduction of new rate of 30 cts..... | 1 37   |         |         |         |          |
| Stationery for meeting, 35 cts.....   | 4 00   |         |         |         |          |
| Balance in Treasury .....   | 1 73   |         |         |         |          |
| Aug. 17   |        |         |         |         |          |
| By Cash from Dr. Wilkes, on account of C. C. M. S. in payment of copying press.....                         |        |         |         |         | 41 25    |
| By Cash received by Finance Committee, viz: One Church deed per P. Freeland, Esquire.....                   |        |         |         |         | 11 38    |
| Benford, \$10; Paris, \$17.33; Hamilton, \$14.....  |        |         |         |         | 12 75    |
| Durham, \$4; Garafraza, 88 cts.; Newmarket, \$5.50.....   |        |         |         |         | 13 37    |
| Southold, \$4; Georgetown, \$4; Barton, \$4.75.....   |        |         |         |         | 20 00    |
| Latson Hill, \$5; Indian Lands, \$2.25; Hanville, \$5.12.....   |        |         |         |         | 27 88    |
| Foxboro, \$3; Brock, \$1.65; Eaton, \$4; Eden Mills, \$3.50.....  |        |         |         |         | 11 25    |
| Sherbrooke, \$10; Warwick, \$5.50; Kingston, \$11.38.....   |        |         |         |         | 15 03    |
| Fitch Bay, \$3.25; South Colwood, \$3; Guelph, \$5.....   |        |         |         |         | 17 75    |
| Keegan, \$3; Newburg, \$2.25; Oro, 1st, \$2.75; 2d, \$1.....  |        |         |         |         | 13 00    |
| Rowmansville, \$4; Cowansville, \$3.25; Etanona, \$4.50.....  |        |         |         |         | 86 00    |
| Hawkesbury, \$5.50; Markham, \$2.50; Simcoe, \$1.....   |        |         |         |         | 11 30    |
| Owen Sound, \$5.50; Lascar 1st, \$4.13; Belleville, \$4.....  |        |         |         |         | 11 30    |
| Stouffville, \$3; Ch. Montreal, printing account \$47; Cash, \$23.....                                      |        |         |         |         | 13 03    |
| Scotland, \$7.50; London, \$3; Toronto 2nd, \$14.43.....  |        |         |         |         | 356 40   |
| Franklin, \$5; Whitty, \$3.68; Stratford, \$2.62.....   |        |         |         |         | 14 41    |
| St. Catharines, \$6; Elgin, \$5.....  |        |         |         |         | 11 50    |
| Stanstead South, \$2; Quebec, \$5.....  |        |         |         |         |          |
| Collection at annual meeting.....   |        |         |         |         |          |
| By Cash of P. Freeland, Esq. on account of Deeds.....   |        |         |         |         | \$398 31 |

**EDWARD EBBS,**  
 Treasurer.  
 Montreal, 13th June, 1860.

Audited and found correct,  
**A. HAMILTON,**  
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## LIST OF MINISTERS ASSOCIATED, WITH THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

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| Adams, L. P., Fitch Bay, C. E.            | King, S., Ryckman's Corners, C. W.      |
| Allworth, W. H., Ryckman's Corners, C. W. | Kribs, L. Colpoys' Bay, C. W.           |
| Armour, John, Kelvin, C. W.               | Lancashire, Henry, _____                |
| Baird, Robert G., Sarnia, C. W.           | Lillie, Adam, (D.D.) Toronto, C. W.     |
| Baker, Thomas, Newmarket, C. W.           | Marling, F. H., Toronto, C. W.          |
| Barker, Enoch, Guelph, C. W.              | McCallum, D., Warwick, C. W.            |
| Black, Robert K., Lanark, C. W.           | McDonald, A. Stanstead South, C. E.     |
| Bucher, G. B., Granby, C. E.              | McGregor, Dougald, Manilla, C. W.       |
| Burgess, William, (Talbotville?)          | McGregor, Robert, Listowell, C. W.      |
| Burpee, Archibald, Cobourg, C. W.         | McKillican, John, Martintown, C. W.     |
| Byrne, J. T., Whitty, C. W.               | McKinnon, Neil, Kincardine, C. W.       |
| Campbell, John, Athol, C. W.              | McLean, John, Erin, C. W.               |
| Clarke, William, Dresden, C. W.           | Noble, Edward A., Alton, C. W.          |
| Clarke, W. F., Guelph, C. W.              | Parker, A. J., Danville, C. E.          |
| Cleveland, E., (A.M.) Richmond, C. E.     | Powis, Henry D., Quebec, C. E.          |
| Climie, John, Belleville, C. W.           | Pullar, Thomas, Hamilton, C. W.         |
| Cornish, G., (B.A.) Montreal, C. E.       | Raymond, Ari, Bell Ewart, C. W.         |
| Denny, Hiram, Sheridan, C. W.             | Reikie, T. M., Bowmanville, C. W.       |
| Duff, Archibald, Cowansville, C. E.       | Robertson, James, Sherbrooke, C. E.     |
| Dunkerley, D., Durham, C. E.              | Robinson, Robert, Stratford, C. W.      |
| Durrant, John, Stratford, C. W.           | Shanks, P., Lanark Village, C. W.       |
| Ebbs, Edward, Paris, C. W.                | Sherrill, E. J., Eaton, C. E.           |
| Elliot, Joseph, Ottawa City, C. W.        | Sim, Alex., (A. M.) St. Andrew's, C. E. |
| Fenwick, K. M., Kingston, C. W.           | Unsworth, J., Georgetown, C. W.         |
| Foster, James, Derby, Vermont.            | Watson, Charles P., London, C. W.       |
| Hay, Robert, Woodbridge, C. W.            | Wheeler, Joseph, Albion, C. W.          |
| Hay, William, Scotland, C. W.             | Wickson, A., (LL.D.) Toronto, C. W.     |
| Hayden, William, Coldsprings, C. W.       | Wilkes, H., (D.D.) Montreal, C. E.      |
| Hall, R. V., Stanstead, North, C. E.      | Wilson, H., St. Catherines, C. W.       |
| Hooper, Joseph, Owen Sound, C. W.         | Wood, John, Brantford, C. W.            |

## LIST OF ASSOCIATED CHURCHES.

|                          |                         |                        |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Abbotsford, C. E.        | Georgetown, C. W.       | Newcastle, C. W.       |
| Albion, C. W.            | Granby, C. E.           | Newmarket, C. W.       |
| Barton & Glanford, C. W. | Guelph, C. W.           | Oro, C. W.             |
| Bothwell, C. W.          | Hamilton, C. W.         | Owen Sound, C. W.      |
| Brantford, C. W.         | Hawkesbury, C. W.       | Paris, C. W.           |
| Brook, C. W.             | Hillsburg, C. W.        | Phillipsburgh, C. E.   |
| Brockville, C. W.        | Indian Lands, C. W.     | Port Sarnia, C. W.     |
| Broome, C. E.            | Inverness, C. E.        | Quebec, C. E.          |
| Bowmanville, C. W.       | Innisfil, C. W.         | Russeltown, C. E.      |
| Burford, C. W.           | Kelvin, C. W.           | Scotland, C. W.        |
| Caledon, C. W.           | Kingston, C. W.         | Sherbrooke, C. E.      |
| Caledon South, C. W.     | Lanark, 1st Ch. C. W.   | Springford, C. W.      |
| Cobourg, C. W.           | Lanark Village, C. W.   | Southwold, C. W.       |
| Cold Springs, C. W.      | Listowell, C. W.        | Stanstead South.       |
| Danville, C. E.          | Little Warwick, C. E.   | Stratford, C. W.       |
| Durham, C. E.            | London, C. W.           | Stouffville, C. W.     |
| Eaton, C. E.             | Markham, C. W.          | St. Andrew's, C. E.    |
| Eden Mills, C. W.        | Melbourne, C. E.        | Toronto, 2d Ch., C. W. |
| Eramosa, C. W.           | Martintown, C. W.       | Vaughan, C. W.         |
| Erin, C. W.              | Montreal, 1st Ch. C. E. | Warwick, C. W.         |
| Garafaxa, C. W.          | Montreal, 2d Ch. C. E.  | Whitty, C. W.          |

## ABRIDGED STATISTICAL REPORT OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN CANADA.

From 3rd May, 1859, to 3rd May, 1860.

| NAME OF CHURCH.                  | Date of Organization | No. of Pastors | NAME OF MINISTER.                | Date of Ordination | Date of present Settlement. | MEMBERSHIP. |         | ADDITIONS. |       |        | REMOVALS. |         |          | SAB. SCHOOL. |                 |                  | Total Amount raised for all Religious purposes. |                  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------|------------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|---|------------------|
|                                  |                      |                |                                  |                    |                             | Male.       | Female. | Letter.    | Prof. | Total. | Deaths.   | Letter. | Exision. | Total.       | No. of Schools. | No. of Teachers. |   | No. of Scholars. |
| CANADA EAST.                     |                      |                |                                  |                    |                             |             |         |            |       |        |           |         |          |              |                 |                  |   |                  |
| Brome .....                      | 1856                 | 4              | Archibald Duff                   | 1841               | 1856                        | 6           | 8       |            |       |        |           |         |          |              |                 |                  |   | 674              |
| Cornwallis .....                 | 1855                 | 3              | Iditto.                          | 1841               | 1856                        | 9           | 18      | 1          | 1     | 1      | 1         | 1       | 1        | 1            | 6               | Union            |   | 468              |
| Danville .....                   | 1852                 | 1              | A. J. Parker                     | 1828               | 1829                        | 46          | 74      | 4          | 4     | 4      | 1         | 1       | 1        | 2            | 12              | 90               |   | 408              |
| Edmonton .....                   | 1853                 | 1              | D. Docherty                      | 1837               | 1857                        | 15          | 38      | 2          | 2     | 2      | 1         | 1       | 1        | 4            | 40              |                  | 333   |                  |
| Edson .....                      | 1853                 | 1              | R. P. Adams                      | 1838               | 1859                        | 10          | 33      | 1          | 1     | 1      | 1         | 1       | 1        | 4            | 22              | 188              |   | 404              |
| Fitch Bay .....                  | 1859                 | 1              | L. P. Adams                      | 1859               | 1859                        | 13          | 23      |            |       |        |           |         |          | 1            | 3               |                  |   | 163              |
| Granby .....                     | 1859                 | 1              | G. B. Butler                     | 1841               | 1855                        | 24          | 35      | 69         |       |        | 2         | 1       | 3        |              |                 |                  |   | 163              |
| Meibourne .....                  | 1839                 | 6              | Henry Wilkes, D.D.               | 1832               | 1856                        | 12          | 30      | 42         | 1     | 1      | 1         | 1       | 1        | 2            | 6               | 60               |   | 314              |
| Montreal, " Zion Church" .....   | 1852                 | 2              | Henry Wilkes, D.D.               | 1832               | 1856                        | 102         | 177     | 279        | 22    | 9      | 31        | 14      | 19       | 1            | 40              | 300              |   | 8137             |
| Quebec .....                     | 1840                 | 5              | Henry D. Powis, B.A.             | 1837               | 1857                        | 5           | 10      | 19         |       |        |           |         |          | 3            | 1               | 9                | 100   | 1450             |
| Saint Andrews .....              | 1840                 | 4              | Alex. Sim, M. A.                 | 1834               | 1854                        | 13          | 28      | 41         | 1     | 4      | 5         | 3       | 3        | 1            | 8               | 45               |   | 218              |
| Shurtlooke and Lennoxville ..... | 1853                 | 1              | James Robertson                  | 1837               | 1857                        | 24          | 62      | 96         | 3     | 6      | 1         | 1       | 1        | 1            | 8               | 75               |   | 1050             |
| Warwick (Little) .....           | 1857                 | 1              | A. J. Parker (see Dairy Hill) .. | .....              | .....                       | 7           | 12      | 19         |       |        |           |         |          | 1            | 5               | 24               |   | 50               |
| CANADA WEST.                     |                      |                |                                  |                    |                             |             |         |            |       |        |           |         |          |              |                 |                  |   |                  |
| Albion .....                     | 1845                 | 1              | Joseph Wheeler                   | 1845               | 1845                        | 32          | 38      | 70         |       |        |           |         |          | 1            | 9               | 69               |   | 332              |
| Barnesville .....                | 1844                 | 2              | Edward A. Noble                  | 1834               | 1857                        | 20          | 22      | 62         |       |        |           |         |          | 1            | 4               | 30               |   | 295              |
| Barton and Glasgow .....         | 1844                 | 2              | Wm. Clarke                       | 1830               | 1857                        | 25          | 32      | 40         | 1     | 1      | 1         | 1       | 1        | 1            | 1               | 1                |   | 475              |
| Bethwell .....                   | 1855                 | 1              | Wm. Clarke                       | 1830               | 1857                        | 25          | 32      | 40         |       |        |           |         |          | 1            | 1               | 7                |   | 475              |
| Bowmanville .....                | 1859                 | 3              | T. M. Reikie                     | 1845               | 1855                        | 25          | 33      | 58         | 1     | 5      | 6         | 1       | 1        | 1            | 7               | 50               |   | 489              |
| Brantford .....                  | 1854                 | 4              | John Wood                        | 1853               | 1853                        | 39          | 56      | 95         | 3     | 1      | 4         | 2       | 25       | 1            | 19              | 148              |   | 1087             |

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|------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|
| Brook.....                   | 1845 | 1848 | 1857 | 84   | 38   | 72   | 3  | 4   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 5   | 40  | 984  |      |     |
| Burford.....                 | 1845 | 1848 | 1856 | 30   | 53   | 83   | 10 | 12  | 2   | 2  | 2   | 2  | 1   | 150 | 159  |      |     |
| Churehill.....               | 1853 | 1853 | 1853 | 15   | 19   | 25   | 2  | 1   | 5   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 4   | 25  | 521  |      |     |
| Colong.....                  | 1853 | 1853 | 1853 | 25   | 30   | 55   | 1  | 1   | 4   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 5   | 100 | 340  |      |     |
| Dresden.....                 | 1858 | 1857 | 1857 | 6    | 6    | 12   | 1  | 1   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 3   | 30  | 275  |      |     |
| Eden Mills.....              | 1847 | 1847 | 1847 | 8    | 14   | 22   | 1  | 1   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 15  | 85   |      |     |
| Erasmus, 2nd Church.....     | 1845 | 1845 | 1845 | 25   | 12   | 17   | 5  | 5   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 131 | 600  |      |     |
| Erin.....                    | 1856 | 1855 | 1855 | 46   | 12   | 17   | 5  | 5   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 15  | 131  |      |     |
| Georgetown.....              | 1843 | 1853 | 1853 | 13   | 20   | 32   | 1  | 18  | 19  | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 85  | 85   |      |     |
| Glouh.....                   | 1855 | 1857 | 1857 | 27   | 41   | 68   | 1  | 14  | 15  | 2  | 2   | 2  | 4   | 284 | 284  |      |     |
| Hillsburgh.....              | 1847 | 1847 | 1847 | 9    | 15   | 25   | 5  | 5   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 50  | 295  |      |     |
| Kelvin.....                  | 1849 | 1849 | 1847 | 23   | 29   | 62   | 4  | 3   | 3   | 3  | 3   | 3  | 4   | 72  | 102  |      |     |
| London.....                  | 1842 | 1846 | 1846 | 5    | 12   | 17   | 3  | 3   | 9   | 7  | 16  | 1  | 19  | 124 | 1211 |      |     |
| Lansic.....                  | 1852 | 1852 | 1852 | 30   | 32   | 36   | 1  | 1   | 2   | 3  | 15  | 1  | 7   | 100 | 500  |      |     |
| Lanack, 1st Church.....      | 1857 | 1858 | 1858 | 29   | 25   | 65   | 1  | 6   | 1   | 1  | 2   | 3  | 1   | 4   | 38   | 592  |     |
| Lanack Village.....          | 1857 | 1857 | 1857 | 29   | 25   | 65   | 1  | 6   | 1   | 1  | 2   | 3  | 1   | 4   | 38   | 592  |     |
| Liswell.....                 | 1857 | 1859 | 1859 | 20   | 30   | 50   | 2  | 2   | 4   | 4  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 14  | 120  | 985  |     |
| Lyons.....                   | 1857 | 1857 | 1857 | 11   | 15   | 26   | 2  | 2   | 4   | 4  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 14  | 120  | 985  |     |
| Markham.....                 | 1844 | 1851 | 1851 | 11   | 15   | 26   | 2  | 2   | 4   | 4  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 14  | 120  | 985  |     |
| Marlton and Roxboro'.....    | 1851 | 1851 | 1851 | 15   | 15   | 30   | 0  | 13  | 2   | 2  | 3   | 3  | 10  | 40  | 308  |      |     |
| Molesworth.....              | 1843 | 1843 | 1843 | 16   | 17   | 33   | 1  | 1   | 2   | 2  | 2   | 2  | 2   | 16  | 60   | 368  |     |
| New Durham.....              | 1842 | 1842 | 1842 | 16   | 17   | 33   | 1  | 1   | 2   | 2  | 2   | 2  | 2   | 10  | 40   | 308  |     |
| Otawa City.....              | 1840 | 1850 | 1850 | 17   | 19   | 39   | 2  | 1   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 8   | 40   | 98   |     |
| Owen Sound.....              | 1855 | 1848 | 1849 | 9    | 5    | 9    | 2  | 1   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 6   | 40   | 290  |     |
| Pais.....                    | 1845 | 1845 | 1845 | 25   | 33   | 53   | 2  | 1   | 3   | 4  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 12  | 40   | 290  |     |
| Pine Grove.....              | 1853 | 1849 | 1859 | 17   | 15   | 32   | 2  | 1   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 16  | 150  | 1327 |     |
| Port Hope.....               | 1853 | 1852 | 1852 | 9    | 8    | 17   | 7  | 7   | 1   | 3  | 3   | 3  | 1   | 12  | 92   | 207  |     |
| St. Andrew's, Etobicoke..... | 1859 | 1855 | 1857 | 4    | 4    | 7    | 4  | 4   | 4   | 4  | 4   | 4  | 4   | 6   | 75   | 144  |     |
| Sarnia.....                  | 1859 | 1848 | 1847 | 42   | 56   | 98   | 3  | 28  | 31  | 2  | 2   | 2  | 1   | 116 | 424  | 616  |     |
| Stoddard.....                | 1835 | 1848 | 1847 | 42   | 56   | 98   | 3  | 28  | 31  | 2  | 2   | 2  | 1   | 116 | 424  | 616  |     |
| Stoddard.....                | 1835 | 1848 | 1847 | 42   | 56   | 98   | 3  | 28  | 31  | 2  | 2   | 2  | 1   | 116 | 424  | 616  |     |
| Southwold.....               | 1843 | 1856 | 1855 | 8    | 23   | 31   | 3  | 3   | 3   | 3  | 3   | 3  | 3   | 6   | 35   | 516  |     |
| Stouffville.....             | 1842 | 1852 | 1852 | 3    | 3    | 7    | 1  | 1   | 1   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 6   | 75   | 144  |     |
| Stratford.....               | 1849 | 1854 | 1854 | 54   | 72   | 126  | 1  | 0   | 0   | 1  | 1   | 1  | 1   | 8   | 80   | 509  |     |
| Toronto, 2nd Church.....     | 1840 | 1852 | 1860 | 13   | 22   | 35   | 1  | 11  | 18  | 2  | 4   | 2  | 8   | 1   | 6    | 35   | 343 |
| Warwick.....                 | 1839 | 1842 | 1842 | 18   | 24   | 42   | 4  | 4   | 4   | 4  | 4   | 4  | 4   | 6   | 40   | 200  |     |
| Whitby.....                  | 1843 | 1851 | 1851 | 9    | 26   | 39   | 2  | 2   | 2   | 2  | 2   | 2  | 2   | 11  | 75   | 400  |     |
|                              |      |      |      | 1161 | 1793 | 2664 | 78 | 211 | 289 | 24 | 121 | 54 | 169 | 71  | 487  | 3872 |     |

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| NAME OF CHURCH.                             | Date of Organization | No. of Pastors | NAME OF MINISTER.   | Date of Ordination. | Date of present Settlement. | MEMBERSHIP. |         |        | ADDRESS. |       |        | REMOVALS. |         |            | SAB. SCHOOL. |                 |                  | Total Amount raised for all Religious purposes |                  |         |
|---|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------|--------|----------|-------|--------|-----------|---------|------------|--------------|-----------------|------------------|--|------------------|---------|
|   |                      |                |                     |                     |                             | Male.       | Female. | Total. | Letter.  | Prof. | Total. | Deaths.   | Letter. | Expulsion. | Total.       | No. of Schools. | No. of Teachers. |  | No. of Scholars. |         |
| Received since the above table was made up: |                      |                |                     |                     |                             |             |         |        |          |       |        |           |         |            |              |                 |                  |  |                  |         |
| Belleville .....                            | 1859                 | 5              | John Clinde .....   | 1839                | 1858                        | 4           | 17      | 21     | .....    | 23    | 23     | .....     | 1       | 1          | 2            | 1               | 1                | 7  | 51               | 500     |
| Caledon South .....                         | 1858                 | 2              | John McLean .....   | 1859                | 1859                        | 8           | 12      | 20     | .....    | ..... | .....  | .....     | 1       | 1          | .....        | .....           | .....            | .....  | .....            | 40      |
| Copoy's Bay .....                           | 1858                 | 1              | Ludwick Krils ..... | 1841                | 1858                        | 6           | 9       | 14     | .....    | 1     | 1      | .....     | .....   | .....      | .....        | .....           | .....            | .....  | .....            | 100     |
| Hamilton .....                              | 1855                 | 5              | Thomas Pullar ..... | 1853                | 1858                        | 39          | 60      | 99     | 9        | 3     | 12     | 1         | 2       | 3          | 6            | 1               | 14               | 72   | 2184             |         |
|   |                      |                |                     |                     |                             | 1217        | 1891    | 3108   | 87       | 238   | 325    | 25        | 124     | 59         | 208          | 73              | 578              | 4020   |                  | \$34006 |

Besides the above, there are in Canada East four unreported Churches, viz.: Inverness, Manningville, and Stanstead South and North. Canada West, eight unreported Churches, viz.: Brockville, Hawkesbury, Indian Lands, Glenagty, Kincairdine, Oro, 1st and 2nd Churches, Toronto, 1st Church, and Vanblesk Hill.—In all 16, not included in the Statistical Summary.

\* Rev. W. F. Clarke has taken charge of these two Churches since the above date.

† Rev. J. Durrant has since vacated the above charge.

CONSTITUTION  
OF THE  
CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA,

AS AMENDED JUNE, 1860.

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I. That the name of this Association be, "THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF CANADA."

II. That it shall consist of Congregational, or Independent Churches; and of Ministers of the same Church Order, who are either in the Pastoral Office, or (being members of Congregational Churches,) are engaged in evangelistic, or educational service; approved and received at a general meeting.

III. That this Union is founded on a full recognition of the distinctive principle of Congregational Churches, namely, the Scriptural right of every separate Church, to maintain perfect independence in its government, and administration; and therefore, that the Union shall not assume legislative or administrative authority, or in any case, become a court of appeal.

IV. That the following are the objects contemplated in its formation: 1. To promote evangelical religion in connection with the Congregational denomination. 2. To cultivate brotherly affection, and co-operation in everything relating to the interests of the associated Churches. 3. To establish fraternal correspondence with similar bodies elsewhere. 4. To address an annual, or occasional letter to the associated Churches, accompanied with such information as may be deemed necessary. 5. To obtain accurate statistical information relative to the Congregational Churches throughout the British American Provinces. 6. To hold consultation, on questions of interest, connected with the cause of Christ, in general.

V. To promote the accomplishment of these objects, and the general interests of the Union, an annual meeting of its members shall be held; each of the associated Churches being represented by two lay delegates; the meeting to be held at such time, and place, as may be appointed at each annual meeting.

VI. That the Officers of the Union, be a Chairman, Secretary-Treasurer, Minute Secretary, and Committee, all to be chosen annually from its members, who shall execute the instructions of the Union, and prepare a docket of business for the annual meeting.

VII. That alterations may be made in this constitution, by any annual meeting, provided that notice of such alterations has been given at the meeting next preceding.

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STANDING RULES.

I. Application for admission to the Union, shall be made in writing, and shall include a statement of doctrinal and ecclesiastical views. All such applications shall be reported to the Union, and at once referred to a standing (membership) or special committee for full inquiry. Upon their report that the evidence of good standing is sufficient and satisfactory, the applicants shall be eligible for immediate admission by unanimous vote. In other cases, with the consent of the Union, they shall stand proposed (with the privileges of honorary membership,) until the next annual meeting, at which, after a further report from the same committee, they may be fully received.

2. The Union shall meet annually on the second Wednesday in June, at four o'clock, P.M., for organization; to commence with devotional exercises; the Chairman of the last meeting, (or, failing him, the pastor in the place of meeting) to preside then, and until his successor be appointed.

3. After the above exercises, a Minute Secretary shall be appointed, the Roll of the Union called, and a Sessional Roll formed.

4. A temporary committee of five shall then be chosen, on nomination of the chair, for Business and Nominations, who shall be required to report at the close of public service on the same evening, Standing Committees on Business, Nominations, Membership, Public Services, Finance, and the Missionary Committee.

5. The Report of the Committee of the Union shall then be presented.

6. The Annual Sermon shall be preached on the Wednesday evening; the preacher being appointed at the previous annual meeting.

7. On Thursday morning, after the devotional services, the retiring Chairman shall deliver an address, and the new Chairman shall be elected by ballot, without nomination.

8. The meeting shall be daily opened and closed with prayer; the morning devotional exercises to extend to an hour.

9. No motion shall be discussed unless seconded; no member shall speak twice to the same motion, without permission from the chair; and every motion shall be presented in writing by the mover, if required by the chair.

10. The roll shall be called, and the Minutes of the preceding day read, at the opening of each day's session; and the Minutes of the last day at the close of the session.

11. The Church in whose locality the Annual Meeting shall be held, shall be requested to celebrate the Lord's Supper in connection with such meeting.

12. On the Monday evening during the sittings of the Union, a public meeting of the Union shall be held.

13. Application shall be made by the Secretary, one month at least before the annual meeting, for statistics of the several Churches, and a brief narrative of the state of religion among them, that he may prepare a condensed narrative of the whole, for the annual meeting, and for publication if so ordered.

14. A collection for the funds of the Union shall be made annually in each Church, on or near the Lord's day prior to the meeting. From this source, in addition to the other expenses of the Union, the travelling fares of the ministerial members of the Union, and of one delegate from each Church contributing for the year, shall be paid in full, if possible; the deficiency, if any, being divided by the number of members herein defined as entitled to participate, and the amount of such dividend being deducted from the sum otherwise to be paid to each such member;—on the understanding that such ministers and delegates shall remain during the sessional meetings, except with leave from the chair.

15. That delegates from the Union to Corresponding Bodies, who may fail to fulfil their appointments by personal attendance, shall address those bodies by letter, communicating in substance, such information and sentiments as they would furnish if present at their annual convocation.