

MINUTES
OF THE
NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
CONGREGATIONAL UNION,
ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

HELD AT MONTREAL, QUEBEC.

JUNE 5TH TO 11TH, 1872.

WITH NARRATIVE AND STATISTICAL TABLE.

Toronto :

PRINTED BY HUNTER, ROSE & CO.

1872.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1872-3.

Chairman:

REV. KENNETH M. FENWICK, Kingston, Ont.

Secretary-Treasurer:

REV. W. FLETCHER CLARKE, Guelph, Ont.

Statistical Secretary:

REV. ENOCH BARKER, Fergus, Ont.

Minute Secretaries:

REV. R. W. WALLACE, B. A., and MR. W. P. CARTER.

Committee:

REV. PROFESSOR G. COR-	MESSRS. N. HAMILTON,
NISH, LL.D.	" J. WILKES.
REV. J. A. R. DICKSON.	" W. E. WELDING.
" JOHN WOOD.	" W. EDGAR.
" W. HAY.	" J. WICKSON.
" J. UNSWORTH.	" J. FRASER.
MR. C. WHITLAW.	" H. MATHEWSON.

Time and Place of Meeting for 1873:

Congregational Church, Brantford, Wednesday, June 4th, 7½ p. m.

Opening Sermon by

REV. ENOCH BARKER, Alternate, REV. JAMES HAY.

Sabbath Morning Preacher:

REV. J. DOUGLAS, Alternate, REV. S. N. JACKSON.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec.

I. That the name of this Association be, "THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC."

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 every thing 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, Statistical Secretary, 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 alteration has been given at the meeting next preceding.

STANDING RULES.

1. All ministerial candidates belonging to Congregational or Independent Churches, for admission to this Union, shall make their application in writing, and shall furnish therewith certificates of good moral standing in the body from which they come, and a full and clear statement of their views on Christian doctrine and Church polity. In the case of candidates who present satisfactory letters of dismissal from a recognized sister Union, such certificates and statements may be dispensed with. Candidates for admission from other denominations shall be required, in addition to the above-mentioned certificates and statements, to produce certificates of having passed through a course of literary and theological training, equivalent to that provided by our colleges. Failing this, they shall be required to undergo an examination in the several departments which constitute the theological course of study in the Congregational College of B. N. A. This examination shall be conducted by a Committee of Examiners, consisting of members of this Union, who shall be appointed annually for this special purpose. The said board shall appoint the course of reading, and the mode of conducting the said examination, subject always to the approval of this Union, and shall report the results of the same to the membership Committee. All applications shall be reported to the Union, and shall be, with their accompanying documents, referred to the Committee on Membership (or a special committee) for full inquiry. Candidates, upon whose application the Membership Committee has favourably reported and recommended, shall be eligible for immediate admission into the Union, provided always that a unanimous vote be required for such admission. In other cases, with the consent of the Union, candidates shall stand proposed for membership until the next annual meeting of the Union (with the privilege of honorary membership), at which, after a favourable report from the Membership Committee, they shall be eligible for admission.

2. The Union shall meet annually on the Wednesday after the first Sabbath in June, at 7.30, p.m., when the annual Sermon shall be preached, by appointment of the previous Annual Meeting.

3. The Union shall then be organized under the presidency of the retiring Chairman, or, failing him, the pastor in the place of meeting, by the election of Minute Secretaries and Reporters, the calling of the Roll, and the appointment of Standing Committees on Business, Membership, Examination, Nominations, and Finance, on nomination by the Committee of the Union.

4. On Thursday morning, after the devotional exercises, the retiring Chairman shall deliver an address, and the new Chairman shall be elected, after nomination by the Committee of the Union, or by any member of the Union.

5. After the election of a new Chairman, the Committee of the Union shall present their annual report.

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

7. 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.

ru
ls
al
su
pu
m
ra
th
th
nu
m
th
te
co
bo
th
me
me
ma
ad
inf
am

Ad
Bal
Bar
Bro
Bro
Bu
Byr
Car
Cha
Cla
Clau
Col
Cor
Day
Den
Diel
Dou
Duf
Dur
Dur
Ebb
Fen
Fras
Gra
Hay
Hay
Hin
How
Jack

8. 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.

9. 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.

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

11. Application shall be made by the Statistical 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.

12. 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, by the cheapest route, 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, and of both delegates as soon as the funds suffice; on the understanding that such payment shall not be made until after the final adjournment, except with the leave of the Union.

13. The 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 convocations.

LIST OF MINISTERS ASSOCIATED, WITH THEIR POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.

Adams, L. P. Fitch Bay, Quebec.	Lewis, R., Belleville, Ontario.
Baker, Thomas, Toronto, Ontario.	Macallum, D., Unionville, Ontario.
Barker, E., Fergus, Ontario.	Manly, J. G., Toronto, Ontario.
Brown, J., Lanark Village, Ontario.	Marling, F. H. Toronto, Ontario.
Brown, R., Garafraxa, Ontario.	McGill, A., Ryckman's Cor's, Ont.
Burgess, Wm., Edgeworth, Ontario.	McGregor, A., Yarmouth, N. S.
Byrne, J. T., Whitby, Ontario.	McGregor, Dugald, Manilla, Ont.
Campbell, John, Melbourne, Quebec.	McKillican, John, Danville, Quebec.
Chapman, C., M.A., Montreal.	McKinnon, Neil, Tiverton, Ontario.
Clarke, William, Dresden, Ontario.	Parker, A. J., Danville, Quebec.
Clarke, W. F., Guelph, Ontario.	Peacock, W. M., Athol, Ontario.
Colwell, H. J., Waterloo, Quebec.	Powis, Henry D., Quebec, Quebec.
Cornish, G., LL.D., Montreal, Que.	Purkis, G., Waterville, Quebec.
Day, B. W., Stouffville, Ontario.	Reikie, T. M., Bowmanville, Ont.
Denny, Hiram, Alton, Ontario.	Robinson, E. J., Burford, Ontario.
Dickson, J. A. R., Toronto, Ontario.	Robinson, R., Owen Sound, Ont.
Douglas, J., Lanark, Ontario.	Rogers, J., Stanstead, Quebec.
Duff, Arch., Sherbrooke, Quebec.	Salmon, J., B.A., Warwick, Ont.
Dunkerly, D., Durham, Quebec.	Sanderson, J. G., Rugby, Ontario.
Durrant, John, Stratford, Ontario.	Sherrill, E. J., Eaton, Quebec.
Ebbs, Edward, Appleton, Wisconsin	Shipperly, Jas., Abbotsford, Quebec.
Fenwick, K. M., Kingston, Ont.	Smith, W. W., Pine Grove, Ontario
Fraser, J., Montreal, Quebec.	Snider, S., Wroxeter, Ontario.
Gray, M. S., Alton, Ontario.	Unsworth, J., Georgetown, Ontario.
Hay, William, Scotland, Ontario.	Watson, C. P., Cowansville, Quebec.
Hay, James, Brockville, Ontario.	Wheeler, Joseph, Albion, Ontario.
Hindley, J. I., B.A., Frome, Ont.	Wickson, A., LL.D., Toronto, Ont.
Howell, James, Granby, Quebec.	Wilkes, H. D. D., LL.D., Montreal, Q
Jackson, S. N., Toronto, Ontario.	Wood, John, Brantford, Ontario.

LIST OF CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS IN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC NOT CONNECTED WITH THE UNION,

Allworth, W. H., Paris, Ontario.
Aujacabo, J., (Ind.) Saugeen, Ont.
Archer, M. P., Speedside, Ontario.
Burchill, R., Georgetown, Ontario.
Hen de Bourck, W. H., Stratford,
Ont.
McColl, E. C. W., M.A., Port Ro-
binson, Ont.

Middleton, J., Salem, Ont.
Ossunkerkine, P. P., Penetanguish-
ene, Ontario.
Pattison, J. S., Inverness, Quebec.
Porter, J., Toronto, Ontario.
Pullar, T., Hamilton, Ontario.
Smith, J. M., Amherstburg, Ont.
Wallace, R. W., B.A., London, Ont.

LIST OF ASSOCIATED CHURCHES.

Abbotsford, Quebec
Albion, Ontario
Alton, Ontario
Belleville, Ontario
Bowmanville, Ontario
Brantford, Ontario
Brockville, Ontario
Brome, Quebec
Burford, Ontario
Caledon South, Ontario
Cobourg, Ontario
Cold Springs, Ontario
Colpoys Bay, Ontario
Cowansville, Quebec
Danville, Quebec
Douglas, Ontario
Durham, Quebec
Eaton, Quebec
Edgeworth, Ontario
Embro, Ontario
Fergus, Ontario
Forest, Ontario
Garafraxa 1st, Ontario
Garafraxa North
Georgetown, Ontario
Granby, Quebec
Guelph, Ontario
Hamilton, Ontario
Hawkesbury, Ontario
Indian Lands, Ontario
Inverness, Quebec
Kelvin, Ontario
Kingston, Ontario
Lanark Village, Ontario
Listowel, Ontario
London, Ontario

Manilla, Ontario
Markham, Ontario
Martintown, Ontario
Meaford, Ontario
Melbourne, Quebec
Middleville and Rosetta, Ontario
Montreal, Zion Church, Quebec
Montreal, Eastern
New Durham, Ontario
Oro, 1st Church, Ontario
Osprey, Ontario
Ottawa, Ontario
Owen Sound, Ontario
Paris, Ontario
Pine Grove, Ontario
Quebec, Quebec
Rugby, Ontario
Russeltown, Quebec
Sarnia, Ontario
Scotland, Ontario
Sherbrooke, Quebec
Simcoe, Ontario
Southwold, Ontario
Speedside, Ontario
St. Andrews, Quebec
Stanstead South, Quebec
Stouffville, Ontario
Stratford, Ontario
Thistleton, Ontario
Toronto, Zion Church, Ontario
Toronto, Bond Street, Ontario
Toronto, Northern Church, Ontario
Turnberry, Ontario
Vankleek Hill, Ontario
Warwick, Ontario
Whitby, Ontario

LIST OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC NOT CONNECTED WITH THE UNION,

Arran West, Ontario
Cape Crocker, Ontario
Churchill, Ontario
Dunham, Quebec
Fitch Bay, Quebec
Howick, Ontario
Molesworth, Ontario

Norwichville, Ontario
Saugeen, Ontario
Tiverton, Ontario
Vespra, Ontario
Waterloo, Quebec
Waterville, Quebec
Wroxeter, Ontario

ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Chairman.	Secretary-Treasurer.	Statistical Secretary.	Minute Secretary.	Preacher of Annual Sermon.	Sabbath Preachers.	Essayists.
June 14-19, 1854.	Montreal	W. Clarke	K. M. Fenwick		E. Ebbs	A. Lillie, D.D.	Morning. K. M. Fenwick	H. Wilkes, D.D.
" 13-18, 1855.	Kingston	W. F. Clarke	Do.		J. Wood	E. Ebbs	Evening. H. D. Powis	J. Robertson
" 11-17, 1856.	Hamilton	E. J. Sherill	Do.		J. T. Byrne	K. M. Fenwick	W. F. Clarke	E. Ebbs
" 10-16, 1857.	Montreal	E. Ebbs	Do.		T. M. Reikie	J. Fraser	E. J. Sherill	H. Wilkes, D.D.
" 9-15, 1858.	Brautford	F. H. Marling	E. Ebbs		D. Macalium	F. H. Marling	A. Lillie, D.D.	W. Hay
" 8-14, 1859.	Toronto	H. Wilkes, D.D.	Do.		E. Barker	T. M. Reikie	T. Bayne	H. Wilkes, D.D.
" 12-20, 1860.	Montreal	A. Lillie, D.D.	Do.		J. Wood	J. Elliot	R. Robinson	A. Lillie, D.D.
" 12-17, 1861.	Kingston	J. Elliot	Do.		J. Hooper	W. Clarke	R. K. Black	J. Wood
" 11-16, 1862.	Hamilton	A. J. Parker	Do.		C. P. Watson	J. T. Byrne	A. J. Parker	C. W. Torry
" 10-15, 1863.	Montreal	W. Hay	Do.		W. W. Smith	A. Duff	A. Burpee	J. Butler
" 8-13, 1864.	Brautford	T. M. Reikie	Do.		F. H. Marling	G. Cornish, M.A.	T. Pullar	U. Balkam
" 7-12, 1865.	Toronto	A. Duff	Do.		G. A. Rawson	P. Shanks	K. M. Fenwick	W. H. Allworth
" 14-19, 1866.	Montreal	W. H. Allworth	Do.		D. Macalium	W. F. Clarke	G. Smith, D.D.	J. L. Poore
" 6-11, 1867.	Kingston	J. Clinie	Do.		R. Hay	J. Wood	F. H. Marling	J. G. Manly
" 11-15, 1868.	Hamilton	R. Robinson	F. H. Marling	W. W. Smith	R. Lewis	J. Unsworth	H. Wilkes, D.D.	Prof. Stowe
" 9-14, 1869.	Montreal	H. D. Powis	Do.	Do.	A. Macgregor	D. Macalium	A. Macgregor	W. P. Wastell
" 8-13, 1870.	Toronto	J. Wood	Do.	Do.	E. Barker	H. Wilkes, D.D.	J. A. R. Dickson	E. Ebbs
" 7-12, 1871.	Guelph	G. Cornish, M.A.	E. Ebbs	E. Barker	T. T. Gibbs	T. M. Reikie	J. G. Sanderson	E. Beecher, D.D.
" 5-11, 1872.	Montreal	K. M. Fenwick	W. F. Clarke	Do.	R. W. Wallace	W. M. Pascock	E. Ebbs	C. Chapman, M.A.
							W. F. Clarke	S. G. Dodd

MINUTES OF THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec.

HELD AT MONTREAL, JUNE 5TH-11TH, 1872.

The Union met by adjournment from last year, in the Congregational Church, Montreal, at 7:30 p. m., on Wednesday, June 5th, 1872.

Devotional exercises were led by the Rev. S. G. Dodd, of St. John, New Brunswick, after which the Rev. W. M. Peacock, of Athol, Ontario, preached the annual sermon; Text, Rev. ii. y. 10, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Mr. Peacock officiated instead of Revd. Charles Pedley, deceased, and made a touching reference to that circumstance in the course of the sermon.

These services concluded, Rev. Prof. George Cornish, LL. D., chairman of the Union, called the meeting to order, and a brief business session was held. On nomination of the Union Committee, Rev. R. W. Wallace, B. A., and Mr. W. P. Carter, were chosen as minute secretaries; and Rev. W. W. Smith, reporter for the press.

The usual standing committees were then nominated by the committee of the Union and duly appointed, the following being the conveners:—

On Business, Rev. W. F. Clarke.
On Membership, Rev. John Wood.
On Finances, Mr. James Wilkes.
On Nominations, Rev. F. H. Marling.
On Examination, Rev. C. Chapman, M. A.

The members of the Union, Delegates from other bodies, and persons invited to sit as honorary members, present at the opening session or subsequently, were as follows:—

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Rev. E. Barker.
" J. Brown.
" R. Brown.
" Wm. Burgess.
" C. Chapman, M. A.
" W. F. Clarke.
" H. J. Colwell.
" G. Cornish, LL. D.

Rev. B. W. Day.
" J. A. R. Dickson.
" J. Douglas.
" A. Duff.
" E. Ebbs.
" K. M. Fenwick.
" J. Fraser.
" W. Hay.

Rev. J. J. Hindley, B. A.

" J. Howell.
" S. N. Jackson.
" R. Lewis.
" D. Macallum.
" F. H. Marling.
" D. McGregor.
" J. McKillican.
" A. J. Parker.
" H. D. Powis.
" G. Purkis.

Rev. W. S. Rae.

" T. M. Reikie.
" J. Rogers
" J. Salmon, B. A.
" J. G. Sanderson.
" E. J. Sherrill.
" W. W. Smith.
" C. P. Watson.
" H. Wilkes, D. D., LL. D.
" J. Wood.

DELEGATES FROM CHURCHES.

James Wilkes, Brantford.
D. R. Blackadder, "
Henry Cox, Burford,
C. Lawes, Cobourg.
Joseph Griffith, Cobourg.
Edwin Silcox, Cold Springs.
W. P. Carter, Cowansville.
Wm. Stephenson, "
J. P. Stockwell, Danville.
Wm. McIntosh, Durham.
Andrew Hutchison, Eatou.
John Ironside, Fergus.
George Hart, Forest.
Dr. Hutton, "
Andrew Gerrie, Garafraxa, 1st.
Joseph Barber, Georgetown.
H. Lyman, Granby.
D. D. Nighswander, Granby.
E. Newton, Guelph.
D. McEwen, Indian Lands.
F. Malcolm, Inverness.
George Robertson, jr., Kingston.
James Campbell, Lanark.
A. H. McGregor, Manilla.

Peter Christie, Martintown.
R. N. Webber, Melbourn.
Charles Wood, "
John Affleck, Middleville.
H. Lyman, Montreal, (Zion).
L. Cushing, "
R. Freeland, " (East)
C. R. Black, "
John Lamb, Ottawa.
Andrew Hatch, Quebec.
Hon. J. G. Robertson, Sherbrooke.
J. McNicol,
Thomas Turner, St. Andrews.
D. Dewar,
Dr. C. W. Cowles, Stanstead, South.
J. Dike, Stouffville.
W. C. Ashdown, Toronto, (Zion).
J. Wickson, "
J. Elgar, " (North).
E. Joslin, "
J. J. Woodhouse, " (Bond-st.)
W. Anderson, "
James Foot, Vankleek Hill.
J. D. Eccles, Warwick.

DELEGATES FROM CORRESPONDING BODIES.

Revds. S. G. DODD, and W. WILLIAMS, Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Revds. Dr. GREEN, and J. GEMLEY, Wesleyan Methodist Conference.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Rev. R. W. Wallace, B. A.

" G. W. Wells.
" Professor Coussirat.
" G. H. Colwell, (Wisconsin).
" J. White, (Belfast, Ireland).
" S. P. Barker, (Michigan).
" J. M. Smith.
" T. Gales.
" R. McA. Thornton.

Mr. Duncan McGregor, M. A.

Students of Congregational College, B. N. A.

The roll was called, sundry notices were given, and after singing and prayer, the Union adjourned until 9 a. m., on Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, JUNE 6th, 9 A. M.

An hour was spent in a prayer meeting, presided over by the Rev. Richard Lewis, of Belleville.

At 10 a. m. the Union resumed business. The Rev. Prof. George Cornish, LL. D., chairman, delivered the customary retiring address.

The Union Committee then nominated the Rev. K. M. Fenwick, of Kingston, as the chairman for the ensuing year. On motion by the Rev. D. McCallum, seconded by the Rev. W. F. Clarke, Mr. Fenwick was unanimously elected and assumed the Presidency of the meeting.

On motion the following were received as honorary members:—

The Rev. H. G. Wells, American Presbyterian Church, Montreal.

The Rev. Prof. Coussirat, Presbyterian College, Montreal.

The Rev. S. G. Dodd, St. John, N. B.

The Rev. N. W. Wallace, B. A., London, Ont.

The Rev. Mr. Colwell, of Wisconsin.

Mr. Duncan McGregor, B. A.

Students, Cong. College, B. N. A.

The Revd. E. Ebbs, Secretary-Treasurer, read the Report of the Committee of the Union, which was adopted.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC AT ITS NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

BELOVED BRETHREN,—Through the loving kindness of our God, we are brought together, according to adjournment, in this our nineteenth annual assembly, for the seventh time meeting in this commercial metropolis. The large experience of brotherly love and hospitality with which the Union has been received by Zion Church has rendered Montreal to our Churches, what topographically she is not, the social centre. This unifying local bond has been greatly strengthened by the presence and personal influence of the revered Principal of our College, whose 35 years' Pastorate of Zion Church, followed by the presidency of the School of the Prophets, renders him

now more than ever, the father and presiding spirit in our Sisterhood of Churches. May his years of efficient service for the body be much extended in this most important sphere of usefulness!

The *personnel* of the Union as represented by its ministry, has undergone some changes in the year that has elapsed since our last happy assembly in Guelph. One beloved brother, the Rev. Charles Pedley, of Coldsprings, has been removed to his Heavenly rest and reward. Though we have been thus deprived of the anticipated privilege of hearing his voice as preacher of the annual sermon, nevertheless "he being dead yet speaketh." May this vacancy and its hallowed associations prove more stimulating to our faith, and love and zeal than his presence and utterances could have been. Within the year another devoted minister of Christ, long connected with this body, though at the time of his decease labouring in another portion of the vineyard, the Rev. Thomas Lightbody, has likewise entered into the joy of his Lord. Death has also entered the family of another brother, the Rev. J. Salmon's wife having been removed last March. With such instances of mortality in our ministerial fellowship, it becomes us to lay to heart the Master's words—"I must work while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work."

During the year three removals from pastoral charge have occurred, viz.: Rev. A. McGregor, who has retired from the bounds of this Union, in order to enter the pastorate at Yarmouth, N.S., Rev. James Howell, who has left his charge at Granby, and accepted an agency for the Montréal Tract Society, and Rev. Mr. Ræ, who has ceased to be the pastor of the church at Danville.

The following settlements have taken place, viz.: Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, as pastor of the Northern Church, Toronto, and Rev. S. N. Jackson, over Zion Church, Toronto; Rev. James Hay, after twelve years' absence in Africa, Australia, and New Zealand, having returned to Canada, has accepted a call to Brookville; Rev. W. H. Heu de Bourck, after a period of withdrawal and association with the Canada Presbyterian Church, has accepted the pastorate of the Congregational Church at Stratford; Rev. J. M. Smith has returned from the Western States, and entered upon pastoral labours at Amherstburg; Rev. R. W. Wallace, B.A., has been ordained pastor of the Church at London; Rev. J. H. Perkins has entered the ministry at Franklin; Rev. J. Shipperley, at Abbotsford; and Mr. D. McGregor has become assistant of the pastors of Zion Church, Montreal.

The new Chapel Deed prepared by instruction of this Union and presented at last annual meeting has been withheld from

publication, awaiting the Act of Incorporation of the "Canada Congregational Missionary Society," required therein, for which application to the Ontario Legislature was made, a few minutes too late for introduction at the late session. Meanwhile six duplicate copies of the old deed have been issued.

The hope expressed in last year's Report respecting a more general agreement of religious bodies in the observance of a day of Thanksgiving was attained by the concurrence of the principal Protestant denominations in the appointment of Thursday, Nov. 16th, for that purpose, which was accordingly well observed. It is highly desirable that in the absence of action in this matter, on the part of the Governor-General, or the Lieutenant-Governors, a similar arrangement for concert in such observance as last year be secured, by interchange of communications between the several Christian denominations. We earnestly desire that the special day of Thanksgiving appointed by His Excellency the Governor-General on occasion of the merciful recovery of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, so very generally kept by all classes of the community, may serve the purpose of a precedent for similar Government appointments of an annual day of Thanksgiving.

Your committee would recommend that a special committee be appointed to prepare an Address of Congratulation to be presented by this Union to Her Gracious Majesty the Queen, on the happy experience of the tender mercy of our God vouchsafed to Her Majesty and the whole nation, in the remarkable answer to prayer for the recovery of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, when all human means seemed unavailing.

The Ladies of Zion Church, Montreal, have assumed the responsibility for continuing the Labrador Mission, not as their exclusive charge, but in hope of enlisting the co-operation of churches and individuals throughout the Dominion in this necessary labour of love.

Other extensive and inviting fields in the west are open to us, and there never was more urgent need of large-hearted liberality and self-sacrificing devotion on the part of Zion's sons and daughters. May the present Assembly receive such a baptism from above of "the spirit of power and of love, and of a sound mind," as shall render us more willing and able than ever to attempt great things for God, under the inspiring expectation of great things from Him.

Rev. F.H. Marling, on behalf of the Nomination Committee, reported the names of speakers for the various public meetings, which report was received and adopted.

Applications for membership were read from the Rev. W. M. Peacock, of Athol, Ontario, and Rev. J. M. Smith, of Amherstburg, Ontario (late of Iowa, U.S.) On motion they were

referred to the Membership Committee. Similar applications from the churches at Forest and Embro, Ontario, were likewise referred to the Membership Committee.

Invitations were read from the Young Men's Association of Zion Church, to a festival on Friday evening; also from the Mechanics' Institute and Montreal Y.M.C.A., to the use of their reading rooms and libraries during the sittings of the Union.

Rev. W. F. Clarke requested to be excused from being the convener of the Business Committee, owing to the necessity of his attendance as Home Secretary on the meetings of the Gen. Miss. Com., whereupon he was released, and Rev. J. A. R. Dickson appointed.

After prayer by Rev. J. Hay, the Union adjourned until 2.30 p.m.

At one o'clock on Thursday, and again on Friday; the Union was invited to an elegant luncheon in the Lecture Hall, which was adorned with flowers and mottoes. Rev. C. Chapman, M.A., presided, and several brief, impromptu addresses were delivered.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Union met at 2:30, p. m., and after prayer by the Rev. E. J. Sherill, proceeded to business.

The minutes of the previous sessions were read and confirmed.

The Rev. James Hay, and Rev. J. M. Smith, were received as honorary members.

An application was read from Rev. James Hay, of Brockville, for admission to the Union, which, on motion, was referred to the Membership Committee.

Communications were read from Rev. H. D. Kitchel, D. D., delegate from the National Congregational Council, lately held at Oberlin; also from Rev. R. D. Osgood, from the Association of Congregational Churches of Maine, U. S., expressing regret at their inability to be present at the Union, and sending greetings from our sister churches in the U. S.

Delegates from the Union to corresponding bodies were called upon to report.

The Rev. F. H. Marling responded on behalf of the delegation to the National Council at Oberlin, Ohio, which had been represented by himself and the Rev. W. F. Clarke.

From other responses made, it appeared that none of the Associations in the United States, to which delegates had been

appointed had been visited, but in most instances communications had been sent to them, conveying the salutations of the Union.

On motion, Rev. Thomas Gales was received as an honorary member.

The Union then adjourned until Friday, at 9 o'clock, a. m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 7th, 9 A. M.

The Rev. James Hay conducted devotional exercises, which lasted one hour.

At 10 a. m., the Union resumed business. The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Business Committee presented a report, concerning the order of business which was adopted.

An application for membership was made by Revd. James Shipperly, which, on motion, was duly referred to Membership Committee.

The Membership Committee reported, recommending that the application of the Rev. W. M. Peacock, James Hay and James Shipperly be granted; likewise the application of the Forest Church.

The report was received and laid on the table for future consideration.

The Rev. J. M. Smith asked leave to withdraw his application for membership, and Rev. W. S. Rae applied, in like manner to be dismissed from the Union. Both requests were, on motion, referred to the Membership Committee.

A communication from the Canada Presbyterian Assembly, in reference to a Day of Thanksgiving, was received and referred to the Business Committee to consider and report on.

The claims of the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT were presented by Rev. F. H. Marling, who stated that, notwithstanding a fair increase of subscribers during the year, the subscriptions were so irregularly paid, that a considerable indebtedness had been accruing for some years, and it was necessary for the proprietors to be assisted by others who felt the necessity for a denominational organ, in order to ensure its continuance.

The Rev. Mr. White, of Belfast, Ireland, addressed the Union, whereupon it was resolved, that this Union receives with much pleasure the greetings of its Irish brethren, and reciprocates most heartily their expressions of good will.

The Business Committee reported in reference to the communication from the Canadian Presbyterian Assembly, with regard to the Day of Thanksgiving, recommending concurrence in their proposal, whereupon it was moved by Rev. J. Wood, seconded

by Rev. W. F. Clarke, and resolved, that the report of Business Committee be received and amended as follows:—"That we concur in the observance of November 14th, the day named by the Assembly for this year, and respectfully suggest that hereafter, the various denominations in the Dominion observe the same day, as is observed in the United States, so that there may be uniformity all over the continent."

A communication was read from the Secretary of the Temperance League of Quebec, inviting the Union to attend a Public Temperance Meeting, in Great St. James' Street Wesleyan Church in this city, on Tuesday next.

The Rev. R. McAlpine Thornton, and the Rev. Mr. White, of Belfast, were invited to sit as honorary members.

On motion, the order of business as previously adopted, was amended as follows:—

That from 3:30 to 4 p. m. be given to the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT, and that the essay from Mr. Elgar, be listened to and discussed from 4 to 5.

The Union then adjourned.

The Union re-assembled at 2:30 p. m.

The minutes of previous session were read and confirmed.

The reception of delegates being then in order, the Rev. W. Williams, of Sheffield, N. B., and the Rev. S. G. Dodd, of St. John, N. B., addressed the Union.

The Nomination Committee then reported the following arrangements for next annual meeting:—

Place of meeting, 1873, Brantford, Ont.

Opening sermon, Principal, Rev. E. Barker, Alternate, Rev. James Hay.

Sunday morning sermon, Principal, Rev. J. Douglas, Alternate, Rev. S. N. Jackson.

Secretary-Treasurer.—Rev. W. F. Clarke.

Statistical Secretary.—Rev. E. Barker.

Committee.—Chairman and Secretaries of the Union, *ex-officio*, Revs. Dr. Cornish, J. Wood, J. A. R. Dickson, W. Hay, J. Unsworth; Messrs. C. Whitlaw, N. Hamilton, J. Wilkes, W. E. Welding, W. Edgar, J. Wickson, J. Fraser. H. Mathewson.

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES.

General Convention of Vermont.—Rev. S. N. Jackson, or Rev. J. Fraser.

General Association of Massachusetts.—Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, or Rev. C. Chapman, M. A.

General Conference of Maine.—Rev. J. A. R. Dickson, or Rev. C. Chapman, M. A.

General Association of New-Hampshire.—Rev. L. C. Adams, or Rev. J. Howell.

Presbyterian and Congregational Convention of Wisconsin.—Rev. W. F. Clarke, or Rev. J. Salmon.

General Association of New York.—Rev. J. G. Sanderson, or Rev. W. M. Peacock.

General Association of Missouri.—Rev. J. Wood, or Rev. James Hay.

Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.—Rev. Dr. Cornish, or Rev. J. Fraser.

General Association of Michigan.—Rev. J. I. Hindley, or Rev. W. W. Smith.

General Association of Illinois.—Rev. T. M. Reikie, or Rev. D. Macallum.

Wesleyan Methodist Conference, 1873.—Rev. J. Wood and Rev. S. N. Jackson.

New Connection Methodist Conference.—Rev. S. Snider and Rev. R. Brown.

Primitive Methodist Conference.—Rev. W. Clarke and Rev. H. Denny.

Presbyterian Church of Canada.—Rev. J. Unsworth and Rev. W. Hay.

General Assembly of Canada Presbyterian Church.—Rev. K. M. Fenwick and Rev. J. Hay.

The report was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Membership Committee recommending that the Revs. J. Shipperly, W. M. Peacock, and James Hay be received as members of the Union, was then considered and adopted.

The recommendation made by the Committee that the Forest Church be admitted into the Union, was also considered and adopted.

The Union then adjourned in favour of the Indian Missionary Society.

At 5 p. m., the Union again resumed business.

The Membership Committee reported, recommending that the application of the Church at Embro, Ontario, be favourably received, and on motion the report was adopted, and the said Church admitted into the Union.

The question of the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT was then taken up, and a number of pledges were given of amounts to be contributed in its aid.

The Union then adjourned until 9 a. m., Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10th, 9 A. M.

The devotional exercises of the hour of prayer were led by Mr. J. J. Woodhouse, of Toronto.

At ten the Union came to order for business. The Business Committee rendered a report, presenting a docket of business for the day, which on motion was adopted.

The minutes of the two previous sessions were read and confirmed.

The Union then made way for the adjourned meeting of the Congregational College.

The Union resumed at 12 o'clock.

A Special Committee, consisting of the Revs. Dr. Cornish, E. Ebbs and John Wood, was appointed to draft an Address of Congratulation to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen on the recovery of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The Membership Committee then reported that the Rev. W. S. Rae, lately of Danville, Que., was a member of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, but being no longer doctrinally in accord with this body, they recommend that his connection with this Union do now cease.

The adoption of this report having been moved and seconded, it was moved in amendment by the Rev. F. H. Marling, seconded by Rev. R. Lewis, that the Rev. W. S. Rae having desired to withdraw from the Union, his name be erased accordingly, but that, as this desire was expressed while charges against him were under investigation, no letter of dismissal can be granted him.

It was moved in further amendment, by Rev. C. Chapman, M.A., seconded by Rev. J. A. R. Dickson:

That this Union having ascertained with regret that serious doctrinal differences have arisen between the Rev. W. S. Rae and the Congregational Church at Danville, which have issued in his separation from that church, and in most calamitous results to that church, it is deemed right that his connection with the Union should cease and that it does hereby cease.

A still further amendment was moved by Rev. W. F. Clarke, seconded by Dr. C. W. Cowles:

That the report of the Membership Committee be received, but not concurred in, and that the Rev. W. S. Rae be expelled from this Union.

A lengthened and earnest discussion arose upon these motions, in the course of which it appeared that the demand for action arose from moral as well as doctrinal considerations. As the result, Messrs. Marling and Chapman withdrew their amend-

ments, and Mr. Clarke's amendment was carried almost unanimously.

The Membership Committee further reported, recommending that the Rev. J. M. Smith be allowed to withdraw his application for membership in this body.

Moved by Rev. J. Brown, seconded by Rev. H. J. Powis:

That the report be accepted and adopted.

Moved, in amendment, by Rev. W. F. Clarke, seconded by Dr. Cowles:

That this application be laid over for one year.

The amendment was carried unanimously.

The Union was then asked to excuse some of the brethren who were necessitated to absent themselves for Sabbath duties. The Rev. Messrs. Purkis, Duff, Parker, Sanderson, Rogers, McKillican, and Mr. Stockwell, were excused accordingly.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

After singing, and prayer by Mr. J. Wickson, the Secretary presented applications for dismission from Rev. Ludwick Kribs, of Minnesota, and Rev. Alexander McGregor, of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, which on motion were referred to the Membership Committee.

A telegram was received from the Primitive Methodist Conference, in Session at London, Ont., presenting the salutations of that body to the Union, which on motion was referred to the Business Committee.

A letter from Rev. W. I. Budington, D.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., relating to the Resolutions passed by the National Council at Oberlin, in regard to the Washington Treaty, and expressing his firm belief in the solution of national difficulties by Christian arbitration, was read and, on motion, referred to the Business Committee.

Mr. Thos. Elgar, of Toronto, then read an Essay on "The Christian Training of the Young," which was followed by a discussion of this important topic.

The Business Committee presented a docket of business for Monday, which was adopted.

On motion, it was unanimously resolved:—

That the thanks of this Union be presented to the Rev. Professor George Cornish, L.L.D., for his suggestive and practical address, and that he be requested to place it at the disposal of the Editor of the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT for publication.

The ex-Chairman, in acknowledging this expression of thanks, took occasion to explain some passages in the address which had been misapprehended.

The Union then adjourned until 9 a.m., Monday morning.

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 9 a.m.

The usual hour of prayer having been observed, the Union came to order for business.

On motion the programme adopted on Saturday was suspended, that the delegates from the Wesleyan Methodist Conference might be received and heard. Whereupon the Revs. Dr. Green and John Gemley addressed the Union, expressing the warm regard and fraternal feeling toward our denomination which exist in the Wesleyan body.

It was moved by Rev. W. F. Clarke, seconded by Rev. J. A. R. Dickson:

That the Union has received with much pleasure the fraternal salutations of the Wesleyan Methodist Conference now in session in this city, so heartily and eloquently conveyed by its honoured delegates, the Rev. Anson Green, D.D., and the Rev. John Gemley; and while reciprocating to the full their kind utterances, would express the earnest desire that these pleasant interchanges may be continued from year to year.

This resolution was carried by a unanimous rising vote.

On motion, the Rev. S. P. Barker, of Lamont, Michigan, was welcomed as an Honorary Member of the Union.

The topic brought before the Union in the Essay read on Saturday by Mr. Elgar, was again discussed for some time, and, on motion, a resolution of thanks to Mr. Elgar for his kindness in responding to Mr. H. J. Clarke's request that he would fill his place and present the Essay on "The Christian Training of the Young," was unanimously carried.

Rev. James Howell addressed the Union in behalf of the Montreal Tract Society.

The Canada S. S. Union was represented by Mr. L. Cushing, who, in the absence of the Rev. John McKillican, Agent of that Society, spoke briefly in its behalf.

Rev. W. F. Clarke presented the claims of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund in a brief address.

A letter was read from Rev. Albert Bowers, of Macon, Missouri, delegate to the Union from the General Association of Missouri, expressing regret at his inability to be present, and presenting the salutations and good wishes of the body on whose behalf he wrote.

The Committee appointed to revise and publish the Trust Deed reported that they had not been able to complete their work, in consequence of the passage of the Act of Incorporation of the Missionary Society having been delayed. The Committee was re-appointed, with the same powers, and one change of name. It consists of Revs. F. H. Marling, Convener, W. F. Clarke, and S. N. Jackson, Messrs. H. J. Clark and J. Turner.

A motion was introduced by Rev. J. I. Hindley, to the effect that this Union do express its sympathy with the Church at Danville in its late and present difficulties, which was duly referred to the Business Committee.

Rev. J. McKillican briefly addressed the Union in reference to his work as the Agent of the S. S. Union.

The Finance Committee presented the following report in regard to Union receipts and expenses, which, on motion, was received and adopted.

REPORT FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg to report as under :—	
Collections from Churches.....	\$487 76
Travelling expenses reported.....	\$475 30
Estimated executive expenses, including	
\$20 for CANADIAN INDEPENDENT	61 21
	<hr/> \$536 51

Necessitating a reduction of 75 cents each from 65 ministers and delegates.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES WILKES,
Convenor.

The Rev. E. Barker presented the Statistical Report, which, on motion, was received and adopted, with the thanks of the Union for the valuable services rendered in its preparation.

The Membership Committee reported, recommending:—

1. That letters of dismissal be granted to the Rev. A. McGregor to the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and to the Rev. Ludwick Kribs to any Congregational Association with which he may wish to connect himself.
2. That the name of the Church at Newmarket be removed from the Roll, that organization having been dissolved.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The Union then adjourned.

MONDAY, 2.30 P.M.

After prayer, the Union resumed business.

The minutes of the two previous sessions were read and confirmed.

The Business Committee presented a docket of business which was adopted.

The Business Committee reported the following resolutions for the concurrence of the Union :—

Resolved, That this Union would respectfully and earnestly

express its sympathy with the family of their late esteemed brother, the Rev. Chas. Pedley, whose recent death is felt to be a material loss not only to his family, but also to this Union and the churches of this denomination; and would further give thanks to the God of all grace for the sweet consolation afforded our departed brother in his last hours, and earnestly pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon the family of lads now fatherless, that they may be led in paths of piety and usefulness.

That we also express our sympathy with the widow and family of our late esteemed brother the Rev. Thomas Lightbody, and commend them to the care of Him who is the Husband of the widow and the Father of the fatherless.

That this Union reiterates the expression of its deep conviction as to the well-known and wide spread evils resulting from the drinking usages of society, and would respectfully request all the pastors of our Churches to preach on this subject on or before the second Sunday in December.

That this Union recommend the Churches to take up an annual collection in aid of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund. Also, having heard with much gratification that the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Society have resolved to establish a Pastors' Retiring Fund as a branch of its operations, would commend it to the liberality of the Churches.

That the Secretary be requested to convey the thanks of this body to the several Railway and Steamboat Companies that have given facilities to ministers and delegates for travelling at reduced rates to and from this meeting.

That we again commend to the confidence and prayerful co-operation of the Churches the French-Canadian Missionary Society, and the Canada and Ontario S. S. Unions, and would urge a continuance of the aid heretofore granted to these Societies.

That the thanks of this Union be tendered to the proprietors of the *Witness*, *Gazette*, *Herald*, and *Daily News*, for gratuitous supplies of their journals to members of this body during the sessions of this Union.

That we gladly give expression to our sincere and grateful thanks to the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, and Rev. Chas. Chapman, M.A., pastors of Zion Church; also to the Rev. Jno. Fraser, and the members of their respective congregations, and the Y. M. Association of Zion Church, for their abounding hospitality, and the many kind attentions rendered to the members of this Union during the present meeting.

That in future meetings of this Union, in order to secure a full attendance of ministers and delegates at all its sittings, and thereby facilitate an intelligent and prompt despatch of business, the various Committees meet for the preparation of their respect-

ive business from 9 to 10 a.m.; and that the Union meet at 10 a.m., and spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises, and that a full attendance of members be enjoined; that from 10.30 to 1 p.m. be occupied with routine business, so that the afternoon session may be devoted to the consideration of topics relating to the spiritual interests and prosperity of our Churches, with a view of calling out a large attendance of the friends and public of the city in which such meeting may be held. And in order to carry out this plan the General Committee of the Missionary Society be requested to meet the day preceding the regular meeting of the Union.

These resolutions, on motion, were unanimously adopted, with the exception of the last, which was referred to the Union Committee, with power to adopt its recommendations, and make such arrangements for the next Union meeting as they may see fit; also to take steps for such changes in the standing rules as may be found requisite.

It was further resolved, on motion:—

That 200 copies of the Minutes of the Union be printed, 150 of them to be done up in a triple form; that the table of Statistics be printed in book form if possible, as more convenient for preservation, and that it be also given in for publication to the editor of the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT; that the Chairman, Secretary and Minute Secretary be a Committee to prepare and publish the minutes.

A reply to the telegram from the Methodist Conference was reported, and, on motion, adopted, as follows:—

“To the President and Delegates of the Primitive Methodist Conference, now assembled in the city of London, Ont.

“BELOVED BRETHREN,—We thank you most cordially for your kind salutations, and reciprocate most fully your ardent desire for the universal reign of Christ. We also gladly acknowledge the successful part your branch of the Christian Church is taking towards the accomplishment of this grand consummation.”

The Membership Committee reported:—

That the case of Mr. Colwell has been under consideration, and so far as information could be obtained from himself, there is nothing to prejudice his admission to this Union, but that as the Committee cannot report finally, apart from independent inquiries, it begs to defer its conclusion until such inquiries can be completed.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The Union, after confirmation of the minutes, adjourned until 8 p.m.

At 8 p.m., the Annual Public Meeting of the Union was held. After devotional exercises had been engaged in, the Chairman, Rev. K. M. Fenwick, made some opening remarks; Rev. E. Barker read the Narrative of the State of Religion in the

Churches; Rev. W. F. Clarke gave some account of the National Congregational Council held at Oberlin; Rev. J. Wood reported the proceedings of the Indianapolis S. S. Convention; Rev. H. D. Powis presented the grateful acknowledgments of the Union for Montreal hospitalities; and the Union adjourned, after devotional services, to meet in Brantford, on Wednesday, June 4th, 1873.

The foregoing is a full and correct copy of the minutes.

WM. F. CLARKE,
Secretary.

R. W. WALLACE,
Minute Secretary.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CHURCHES, 1872.

Abbotsford.....	\$2 50	Lanark Village.....	5 00
Alton.....	4 00	London.....	14 35
Amherstburg.....	5 25	Manilla.....	12 00
Belleville.....	6 27	Markham.....	6 50
Bowmanville.....	6 00	Melbourne.....	4 00
Brockville.....	6 00	Montreal, Zion.....	93 00
Brantford.....	12 00	“ Eastern.....	8 75
Burford.....	6 00	Oro, 1st.....	7 75
Cobourg.....	5 30	Owen Sound.....	3 00
Cold Springs.....	7 00	Paris.....	7 00
Cowansville.....	7 50	Pine Grove.....	8 08
Danville.....	4 50	Quebec.....	12 00
Douglass.....	5 20	Scotland.....	9 00
Durham.....	4 00	Southwold.....	6 00
Eaton.....	4 00	Sherbrooke.....	12 75
Edgeworth.....	7 00	Stanstead, South.....	2 35
Fergus.....	7 10	Stouffville.....	5 00
Fitch Bay.....	2 50	Stratford.....	4 00
Franklin.....	1 75	Toronto, Zion.....	30 00
Garafraxa.....	5 35	“ Bond Street.....	30 00
Georgetown.....	5 00	“ Northern.....	20 00
Granby.....	10 00	Vankleek Hill.....	4 00
Guelph.....	10 00	Warwick and Forest.....	13 75
Indian Lands.....	3 50	Waterville.....	6 50
Kingston.....	12 51	Whitby.....	5 25
Lanark, 1st.....	7 50		

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF QUEBEC AND ON- TARIO, FOR 1871-2.

Following the example of my esteemed predecessor, and taking in order from the fyle of returns, I follow the alphabetical arrangement of the churches.

At ABBOTSFORD, the Rev. J. Shipperley has commenced labouring amid some discouragements, especially denominational rivalry ; but prospects are brightening. Good, but frail Father Wheeler, at ALBION, reports tersely:—"Very dry, and very cold. Want *showers and sunshine*."—Rev. M. S. Gray, of ALTON, has shown indomitable energy in leading on his people at a new station in Erin to erect a handsome brick church, at a cost of \$1,645, exclusive of the land, only \$30 dollars of a debt remaining on it. At the same time the spiritual church seems not to have been neglected, as thirteen precious souls have been added to the membership.—BELLEVILLE has been looked upon by some as a kind of forlorn hope, but the new pastor has had the pleasure of seeing the clouds lift one by one. The ground has been improved; the congregation is growing; the Sabbath school nearly doubled; people exceedingly liberal; and many have found the Saviour. "The prospect is that we shall grow." May God grant it !—After a patient struggle for many long years, the Bowmanville church rejoices in having attained its majority. The pastor writes:—"At a meeting of the friends on Thursday evening, 16th May, it was resolved to make no application for a missionary grant this year."—The BRANTFORD church shows in figures the usual steady progress, but sends no "Notes."—Our beloved brother, the Rev. James Hay, is welcomed by the brotherhood in Ontario to devote the results of his world-wide experience to the field in BROCKVILLE. May he be strengthened, and permitted to see this comparatively small church expand into noble dimensions! He believes the Lord has sent him thither to do something for Him.—BROME is under the ministration of Rev. H. J. Colwell, who resides at Waterloo, sixteen miles distant. He believes it would be a thriving church under a resident pastor; but he himself labours there at a great disadvantage.—Rev. E. J. Robinson reports the "day as dark and cloudy," at BURFORD; nothing bright but the addition of two members.—CHURCH-HILL is "making progress slowly;" the want is felt here, as everywhere, of "able and willing workers for Christ."—COLPOY'S BAY, chapel burnt down, and no pastor; still living, however, and able to give an account of itself.—Rev. C. P. Watson writes most hopefully of the cause in COWANVILLE, especially the Sabbath school. He has lately opened two new stations with most encouraging prospects; one at Stanbridge Village, twelve miles from his house, and the other at the rapidly growing Village of Brigham.—The pastor at DOUGLAS has been much encouraged by "good congregations," a thriving Sabbath School, a "vigorous temperance movement," "weekly offering system a success," and a prospect of increase. A good part of the debt on the church building has been removed during the year.—EATON points us to its statistics, of which, by God's grace, it

is not ashamed.—FERGUS has plenty of work and a few good workers.—FOREST feels deeply the loss of his excellent deacon, John Livingston; and his pastor is stricken down by the death of his beloved partner and fellow-labourer. Still he is sustained. It is a good complaint that the church is too small to accommodate the audience; seats are necessary in the aisles.—The SOUTHWOLD, or FROME church, as it is now called, is becoming fruitful in the way of furnishing labourers for the Lord's harvest-field. They are evidently attached to their pastor, to whose comfort they are continually ministering. Thus he is made thankful, hopeful, and zealous for their welfare. The "weekly offering" is also successful here.—GARAFRAXA FIRST has lost a number by deaths and removals, but the Lord is filling their places. The people's kindness towards the pastor effectually repels the first risings of discouragement.—Rev. R. BROWN, pastor of GARAFRAXA NORTH, sees little to encourage him there, looking manward. His courage must be inspired from a higher source.—The plodding pastor of GEORGETOWN writes:—"Upon the whole, we have had a year of prosperity, though not equal to our desires."—Rev. J. Howell parts from the GRANBY church, with the best wishes for their prosperity under the temporary charge of our young brother Nighswander, though he regrets that the church could not all have gone along with him in his aggressive movements.—GUELPH rejoices at the extinction of the debt on its "holy and beautiful house" of worship, but is not without its share of difficulties and discouragements, especially owing to removals.—HAMILTON church has just closed the "most prosperous year of its present pastorate of fourteen years." "Entire church harmony;" "church-meeting attended by *two-thirds of its resident members*;" "Sabbath attendance greatly augmented;" "a number more about to join the church;" "the young men's Sabbath morning meeting, the young people's meeting conducted by the pastor, the ladies' working society, and the Sabbath school, are all making encouraging progress. Last Sabbath, *all the scholars on the roll were present*, and the difference between the number present, and the number on the roll for the year, was very small indeed."—Rev. W. M. Peacock writes of INDIAN LANDS:—"A year opening with clouds, but closing with sunshine. The church has passed through the furnace of affliction, but through the mercy and love of God, she has been sustained and purified." He feels that his work is largely a work for the future—of sowing to be reaped in another generation.—The pastor of Scotland says "there is no church in NORWICHVILLE."—KINGSTON most successful in grappling with its debt; it is "all subscribed, and two-thirds of it paid."—Rev. J. Brown's first year at LANARK VILLAGE has been one of great comfort to himself: "people punctual in their payments of salary—quarterly in advance," though the amount is felt to be insufficient. "Sabbath school very interesting;" "a sewing society organized."—The MARKHAM pastor needs and deserves encouragement. Had some little difference of opinion in selecting a site for a parsonage; conversions few; valuable members removing, &c.—MARTINTOWN and ROXBOROUGH still vacant. They need a pastor badly.—MEAFORD also without a pastor, though supplied by a student in the summer. "The meetings at all the stations more numerously attended than for

many preceding years."—At the MONTREAL EASTERN church, "there is a marked gain." During the year the church has been organized distinct from Zion church, and has had the property handed over entirely to it.—MONTREAL ZION prospering under its new joint pastorate. Still at its mission work in the city; has opened another station and is about to erect a new mission church. The pastor of ORO, RUGBY, and VESPREA feels that his field grows faster than his strength, though not faster than his desires. A new parsonage is about to be erected at Oro. In Vesprea, another of the very common disputes about the possession of a Union church has been over-ruled by the building of a new church, in which the congregations are excellent.—In the OTTAWA church more has been done this year to reduce the "church site" debt than during the previous five years. "Bible class and Sabbath school steadily sustained. Temperance Union kept up. Children's monthly Sabbath service well attended." A new organ (cabinet) has been purchased and paid for. But a gloom is cast over all this prosperity by the resignation of the pastor, to take effect on the 30th June!—OWEN SOUND has been blessed with a gracious revival, in which our brother Robinson's church has shared to some extent, resulting in an addition of twelve to their number. "The work," he says, "is the Lord's, and to the blessed Master be the praise!"—The pastor of the PARIS church writes thus:—"Have been happy, peaceful, no wave of trouble has crossed the church through grace; prayer-meetings well sustained. Our financial year ended better than ever known here by our oldest deacon." Our good brother at PINE GROVE speaks of good attendance on the regular means of grace; the Sabbath school very prosperous, &c., but mourns that there is but little "spiritual progress." "We want a revival!" he says. He has commenced a third Sabbath service at Kleinberg, with encouraging results.—The QUEBEC church has had "a quiet year, yet there is good doing, and our congregations are better than they ever were."—There have been peace, unity and prosperity at SCOTLAND. A season of refreshing last winter brought sixteen to the fold; "thirty more asked for prayer, and hopes are entertained that many of the enquirers will be brought to decision ere long." The church has been enlarged and refitted.—SPEEDSIDE has enjoyed the services of a resident pastor, after having been served for some years from without.—The pastor of STANSTEAD feels sadly about the work there:—"There is nothing to encourage." His chief work is with the church at Derby, Vt., which he does not report, as it is in the United States.—STOUFFVILLE is growing both spiritually and financially. There are two out-stations, at both of which there is a probability of churches being organized within the coming year. The friends made no application for missionary aid for next year, and are free!—STRATFORD has changed pastors during the year, Rev. E. C. W. McColl, M. A., having resigned, and the Rev. W. H. Heu de Bourck having taken the post. The latter writes encouragingly of the Sabbath services, the attentiveness and generosity of the people; "but," he says, "the bright spot in our experience is the Wednesday evening service."—At THISTLETON there is a good attendance, mostly of young people, "but no apparent impressions made."—An interesting feature of the TORONTO BOND STREET church has been the "reception of

more than usual Congregational emigrants." "An effort to organize the members of the church more thoroughly for Christian work has had a fair measure of success."—The NORTHERN church of that city has been equally prosperous. "God has blessed his word to many." The church Sabbath school is too small. The mission schools and prayer-meetings are all encouraging.—Old ZION (Toronto) thrives under its new pastorate. The members are very active, especially with respect to the church building, which they have repaired and beautified at a considerable expense." Note this:—"The young men sustain a prayer meeting every Sunday morning, *which has been the means of leading several to Christ!*"—The WARWICK church embraces three stations, and is under the same pastoral care as that of Forest, already referred to. Our brother Salmon must have his hands and head full, as well as his heart. This church has mourned, and yet rejoiced, in the death of a mother in Israel, who has given to our churches three beloved ministers—the brethren Hay. The debt on one of the churches in this field has been entirely liquidated during the year, and considerably reduced on the other two. The pastor has also enjoyed an encouraging measure of spiritual prosperity.—Rev. H. J. Colwell's church at WATERLOO has suffered from an opposition of an unpleasant nature, but amid unfaithfulness in some, there are faithful ones, who "endure hardness, as good soldiers." They are obliged to use school-houses yet for public worship, but hope soon to have buildings of their own. They feel the need of more sympathy from their sister churches. Brother Colwell is pastor also of Brome, already referred to.—At WATERVILLE, Rev. G. Purkis feels the need of patient waiting, and the want of encouragement, on the part of the friends of the cause, to young persons whom the spirit is leading. But he is not without hope that all hindrances will be removed.—Rev. S. T. Gibbs, of WHITEY, has been deeply involved in a work *material*, as well as spiritual during the year. The church has shown great energy and liberality in repairing the church, and in the erection of the parsonage. May our good brother live to see this long drooping interest revive, and occupy the place among our churches to which its age entitles it!

We cannot read the Narrative through continuously without a feeling of gladness and gratitude. There is a steady and solid growth throughout, though accompanied by the pains and aches which are incident to such growth. With more dependence on the promised divine help; and a more single eye to the work assigned us, we have bright hopes for the future.

E. BARKER,
Stat. Sec. Cong. Union.

June 8th, 1872.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC, FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 6, 1872.

Out of 83 or 84 churches of our order in these Provinces, returns have been received from only 60, so that one-fourth of our churches—and some of these among our best ones—are unrepresented in this Summary. From the 60 whose statistics are given, a number are incomplete, the returns being made from memory, or without reference to church records. I have refrained copying, from the statistics of former years (when I have had no reports), such items as church-buildings, parsonages, &c., &c., as even these may change year by year; besides, it is better, in a summary, to give a limited number correctly, than a larger number incorrectly. Considering that a dozen or more of the churches, whose statistics were included last year, are omitted this year for want of returns, it will not be surprising if the aggregates given in this year's table are less than those of last year; and, for this reason, I had almost concluded to give no sums total, as these might be used to our disadvantage. It is to be hoped, however, that no one will make use of them to represent the strength of the body as a whole or its entire increase or decrease year by year. It will be observed in the Table that the column under "Attendance at all Stations" has been omitted entirely this year, as there is evidently a diversity of opinion among those making the returns, as to the meaning of the heading; some understanding it as implying the average attendance at all the stations, and others, the entire number of adherents or occasional hearers. The question will be put next year in a more distinct form.

At this date, 15 of the churches are without pastoral care, and a few others have only temporary supplies. There are 119 preaching stations reported from 60 churches, with 8,712 average attendance of hearers. The total membership of these churches is reported at 4,036; of which 447 were added during the year, 262 by profession, and 185 by letter. There have been removed—by death, 44; by letter, 93; by excision or dropping off, 45; making total of removals, 182. So that the net gain in 60 churches has been 265. There have been returned 298 baptisms, of which 263 were infants, and the other 35 adult baptisms. No doubt many churches, whose members are engaged in Union S. Schools, have made no mention of this fact. Only 49 churches, or a little more than one-half, give S. School statistics: in these, there are 563 teachers, and 2,223 scholars. The 60 churches reporting own 66 church-buildings, of which 26 are stone or brick, and 40 wood; these have accommodation for 18,505 hearers, or nearly 10,000 more than the average attendance. Of these churches, 6 are reported as uninsured, and 3 as unregistered; while a large proportion send no returns on this point, leaving us to infer that many more still are neglecting a proper care of what has cost them no little struggle to obtain. The total increase in the value of the chapels and parsonages, so far as reported, is \$25,650; this, of course, takes no account of the indebtedness of many of the churches for their improvements, which it would be only fair to reckon. Sixty churches hold in possession property estimated at \$286,090, or more than a

quarter of million of dollars. The returns are so incomplete respecting the details of the annual contributions, that we can give only, with any degree of fairness, the sum-total of the contributions of 58 churches, amounting to \$68,701.20 ; or at the rate of nearly \$17 for every church member. These churches have raised within \$2,000 of the amount raised by 66 churches the year before ; and the aggregate increase in the contributions of those 58 churches over their contributions of last year has been \$1,369.74, notwithstanding a special case of decrease in one of these churches, amounting to upwards of \$6,000.

Although, therefore, the very large deficiency in the returns this year makes this Summary worse than useless as indicating the strength of the Congregational body in these Provinces, either in numbers or in wealth ; and although the *sums-total* will admit of no comparison with those of other years, yet the details of the individual churches give cause for encouragement and gratitude, revealing a steady progress year by year in all that is good and useful. It is earnestly to be hoped that more carefulness will be used next year in making up the returns, and in sending them in at the proper time.

June 8, 1872.

E. BARKER, *Stat. Sec.*

ROCHES
Y, 1872.

IN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC, FOR THE YEAR ENDING
(PERSONAL)

Present Settlement.	No. Regular Stations.	MEMBERSHIP.														BAPTISMS.		SABBATH SCHOOLS.		Bible Class.
		No. Sabbath Services.	No. Week-day Services.	Ordinary attendance at principal Station.	Additions.			Removals.			Present Number.				Infant.	Adult.	Teachers and Officers.	Scholars.		
					By Profession.	By Letter.	Total.	By Death.	By Letter.	By Excision.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.					Non-Resident.	
1 1871	4	2	3	35	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	6	7	13	0	0	0	5	50	12
9 1845	2	2	0	150	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	11	21	0	16	0	5	50	
7 1871	2	2	0	150	13	0	13	1	1	0	2	29	46	75	5	7	1	9	59	22
2 1871	1	2	1	67	1	8	9	0	2	0	2	15	16	31	1	4	0	5	45	6
5 1855	1	2	1	100	3	10	13	3	3	4	10	13	27	40	11	0	0	5	32	7
3 1853	1	2	1	250	4	1	5	1	3	2	6	43	82	125	14	4	0	17	150	20
2 1872	1	2	1	40	1	0	1	1	3	2	6	5	15	20	10	0	0	3	24	12
9 1871	1	1	1	50	1	0	1	...	...	...	...	9	9	18	4	2	2	4	20	...
0 1870	2	2	1	150	2	0	2	...	...	...	...	22	35	57	7	1	0	12	150	...
8 1853	1	1	0	100	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	...	...	59	...	8	2	2	17	...
...	2	2	0	40	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	8	11	19	3	...	...	3	23	...
7 1866	5	3	1	130	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	23	42	65	0	10	3	15	120	...
9 1870	...	3	1	70	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	17	26	43	2	7	0	6	50	...
2 1868	3	2	1	90	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	13	48	61	7	2	2	15	120	...
7 1838	3	2	1	60	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	...	...	20	...	3	0	5	25	...
9 1860	1	1	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	10	17	0	4	0	0	9	...
5 1869	1	1	1	110	5	0	5	0	0	2	2	17	29	46	5	3	0	10	70	6
0 1854	7	3	2	100	8	4	12	1	3	2	6	20	32	52	8	0	1	6	72	Un.
0 1854	7	3	2	70	0	1	1	1	1	1	3	20	30	50	12	0	0	6	72	Un.
2 1868	2	2	2	120	5	0	5	3	0	0	3	20	17	37	4	6	0	Uni.	on.	...
9 1869	3	3	2	150	3	0	3	0	0	2	2	34	45	79	20	2	1	10	104	...
5 1869	1	1	3	180	3	2	5	2	3	0	5	49	58	107	10	6	0	7	115	35
2 1867	1	1	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	10	17	0	4	0	0	0	...
8 1853	1	1	1	110	5	0	5	0	0	2	2	17	29	46	5	3	0	10	70	6
5 1867	4	3	2	150	2	3	5	0	5	2	7	46	65	111	6	7	0	10	102	...
4 1860	1	2	1	200	13	19	32	2	1	0	3	65	95	160	16	...	...	18	160	...
3 1858	1	2	3	250	13	19	32	2	1	0	3	65	95	160	16	...	...	19	185	120
9 1866	...	2	1	230	1	0	1	1	1	6	8	18	19	37	6	3	0	3	35	...
9 1869	1	1	0	100	0	0	0	2	1	0	3	6	5	11	2	0	0	4	50	...
7 1869	1	2	7	300	4	0	4	3	5	0	8	31	63	94	7	9	1	24	176	18
3 1865	3	3	1	120	3	4	7	1	0	0	1	...	...	79	...	2	1	10	80	...
2 1871	1	2	2	130	3	0	3	0	3	0	3	13	25	38	1	3	1	7	90	...
1 1869	...	3	1	300	5	15	20	0	2	0	2	...	...	161	...	5	0	24	200	...
...	2	3	1	200	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55	...	...	...	4	45	...
9 1857	5	2	3	80	0	2	2	1	1	1	3	16	33	49	11	5	0	19	170	12

nation.

Present Settlement.	No. Regular Stations.	No. Sabbath Services.	MEMBERSHIP.															BAPTISMS.		SABBATH SCHOOLS.		Bible Class.
			Ordinary attendance at principal Station.	Additions.			Removals.				Present Number.				Infant.	Adult.	Teachers and Officers.	Scholars.				
				By Profession.	By Letter.	Total.	By Death.	By Letter.	By Excision.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Non-Resident.								
2		0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0						1	0					
3		3	1	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	11	18	3	0	0					
1869		2	1	120	13	9	22	1	2	2	5	27	43	70	0	9	1			70		
1870	}	3	2	850	30	22	52	5	12	3	20	165	271	436	24	27		67	463			
1871		1	1	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	14	26				Uni	on.			
1870		1	1	1	150	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	20	33	53	1	7	0	7	60		
1863		1																				
1868	1	2	6	100	3	3	6	0	8	0	8	23	38	61	13	6	0	10	60	25		
1864	1	2	1	80	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	29	41	11	3	4	6	50	10		
1865	1	2	2	170	11	5	16	0	4	6	10	33	72	105	3	5	1	21	150			
1869	2	2	1	90	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	15	26	41	11	1	0	5	65		
1857	1	2	1	200	1	1	2	1	2	0	3	25	53	78	4	11	1	5	80	37		
1863	1	1	0	125	3	0	3	1	0	0	1	19	20	39	10			6	40			
1847	2	3	1	175	16	0	16	1	1	2	4	61	84	145	25	6	7	11	130			
1862																						
1871	3	2	2	120	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	24	35	2	3	0	6	45	15		
1865	1	1	0	50	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	20	23	43	0	1	0					
1866	3	3	1	150	6	1	7	0	3	2	5	28	48	76		4	1	10	60			
1871	1	2	1	80	3	7	10	1	6	0	7	8	12	20	2	1	0	7	40			
1869	1	1	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	7	12	3	0	0	10	140			
1856	4	2	0	100	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	16	11	27		1	0					
1854	1	2	1	350	10	19	29	3	5	4	12	81	122	203	8	7	2	40	300	70		
1871	3	2	1	400	18	21	39	0	5	0	5	48	85	133	0	1	0	45	350	37		
1871	1	2	2	400	21	16	37	0	2	0	2	67	94	161	12	19	2	19	215	30		
1866																						

‡ The total ordinary attendance of only 59 Churches.

¶ The totals of only 54 Churches.

|| Only 49 Churches report Sabbath Schools. Four specially mention Union Schools.

No. II.—STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
MAY 6, 1872.

CHURCHES.		Church Buildings.							Parsonages.	Improvements made.	
		Material	Brick or Stone.	Wood.	Number.	Sittings.	Uninsured.	Unregistered.			
1	Abbotsford . . . Q.			1	1	100	1				
2	Albion . . . Ont.			2	2	400		1			
3	Alton . . . "	1	1		2	400		1			Built new brick church in Erin.
* 4	Amherstburg . . . "										[introduced]
5	Belleville . . . "			1	1	300					New fence, painting, and gas
6	Bowmanville. . . "			1	1	200			1		
7	Brantford . . . "	1	1		1	500					
8	Brockville . . . "	1	1		1	400					
9	Brome . . . "	1	1		1	200	1				
10	Burford . . . Q.			1	1	280			1		
*11	Caledon, So. . . Ont.										
12	Church-hill . . . "			1	1	250	?				Renovated
13	Cobourg . . . "										
14	Cold Springs. . . "										
15	Colpoys's Bay. . . "										
16	Cowanville } . . Q.	1			1	250					
	& Dunham										
*17	Danville . . . Q.										
18	Douglas . . . Ont.	1			1	200		?			
*19	Durham . . . Q.										
20	Eaton . . . Q.			1	1	300					
+21	Edgeworth . . . Ont.			1	1	75					
22	Fergus . . . "			1	1	225					
23	Fitch Bay . . . Q.			1	1	300					
24	Forest . . . Ont.			1	1	200			1		
*25	Franklin . . . Q.										
26	Frome . . . Ont.			1	1	200			1		Stable built
27	Garafraxa, 1st . . . "	1			1	200					Stable built
28	Garafraxa, N. . . "			1	1	130					Shed built.
29	Georgetown . . . "			1	1	250	1				
30	Granby . . . Q.			1	1	250			1		Parsonage repaired
+31	Guelph . . . Ont.	1			1	500					
32	Hamilton . . . "	1			1	450					Improved
*33	Hawkesbury . . . "										
*34	Howick . . . "										
35	Indian Lands. . . "			1	1	300	1		1		
*36	Inverness . . . Q.										
37	Kelvin . . . Ont.			1	1	150					
38	Kingston . . . "	1			1	450					
+39	Lanark, 1st. . . "			2	2	220	?		1		
40	Lanark Village . . . "			1	1	350			1		
*41	Listowel . . . "										
+42	London . . . "			1	1	500			1		
+43	Manilla . . . "			1	1	300					Church painted
44	Markham & Unionville. . . }			2	2	250			1		{ Parsonage being built Markham Ch. improved. }
Carried forward											

* No returns from these 23 Churches.

CHURCHES
1872.

OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC, FOR THE YEAR ENDING
(FINANCIAL).

F.

made.

urch in Erin.
[introduced
ng, and gas

i.

built
improved.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Total Value.	Increase on 1871.	Decrease from 1871	Local objects.	General Denominational objects.	Indian, French, or Foreign Missions.	Other Benevolent objects.	Total.	Increase on 1871.	Decrease from 1871.
\$	\$	\$	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1000			193 50	14 00			207 50		
2000	2000	500	1962 03	16 50		20 00	1998 53	1539 53	
4900	1700		738 00	90 00	12 00	10 00	850 00	391 00	
3000		300	582 00	178 00	40 00	70 00	870 00		
12000		1600	1815 76	330 00	20 00	92 50	2258 26	333 26	
5000			600 00	29 00			629 00		391 00
2000	500		75 00	12 00			87 00		
2500			500 00	38 00		46 00	584 00		31 00
600			190 00	12 50			202 50		257 50
20			75 00			35 00	110 00	8 00	
2700							1000 00	230 00	
1600			420 00	42 00		10 00	472 00		113 00
2000			375 00	40 00	15 00	45 00	475 00		44 00
350			5 00	41 00		5 00	51 00		
900			430 45	19 40	4 00	15 00	468 85	12 85	
2500	500		270 00	40 00		15 00	325 00		
1300			220 00	50 00			270 00		147 00
1800	100		500 00	160 00	30 00	50 00	740 00	182 00	
2100	300		405 07	33 53	10 00	21 75	470 35		31 65
200			70 00	12 00			82 00		45 00
600			450 00	154 00	12 00		616 00	52 00	
3900			1375 00	75 00	12 00	60 00	1522 00	487 00	
10000							2500 00	170 00	
8000	1000		2310 00	290 00	95 00	125 00	2820 00	388 00	
1600			448 05	60 00		30 00	538 05	258 05	
900			135 00	19 00		10 00	164 00	31 00	
16000			3016 00	493 00	50 00	205 00	3764 00	858 00	
1700			420 00	181 75		12 00	613 75	251 75	
4400	100		533 00	103 00		25 00	661 00	161 00	
6720			1000 00	60 00	13 00	25 00	1098 00		190 00
1300	100						600 00	115 00	
1000			440 00	157 00	21 00	10 00	628 00	63 00	

†Returns from these 5 Churches incomplete.

NO. II.—STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONAL

CHURCH

CHURCHES.	CHURCH PROPERTY.							Total Value.
	Church Buildings.						Improvements made.	
	Material	Brick or Stone.	Wood.	Number.	Sittings.	Uninsured.			Unregistered.
Parsonages.								
Brought forward..								\$
45 Martintown } Ont.	1	1	2	500	1			180
& Roxborough }								
46 Meaford	1		1	200				120
*47 Melbourne								
*48 Molesworth								
49 Montreal, East, Q.	1		1	350				800
50 " Zion, Q.	2		2	1200				5200
51 New Durham, Ont.	Uni.	on.						
52 Oro		1	1	220				100
*53 Osprey								
54 Ottawa	1		1	300				900
55 Owen Sound	1		1	200			Church completed	400
56 Paris	1		1	300		1		650
57 Pine Grove	1		1	300			Parsonage being built	400
58 Quebec	Q.	1	1	640				1600
59 Rugby	Ont.		1	220				100
*60 Sarnia								
*61 Saugeen								
62 Scotland		1	1	300			Church enlarged	300
*63 Sh. brooke & } Q.								
Lennoxville }								
*64 Simcoe	Ont.							
65 Speedside	1		1	220	1	1		1700
*66 St. Andrews	Q.							
67 Stanstead	1		1	300		1		4400
68 Stouffville	Ont.		1	250		1		2200
69 Stratford			1	175				2400
70 Thistle town			1	200				800
71 Tiverton			1	250		1	Additional seats	300
72 Toronto, Bond st.	1		1	550				15000
73 " Northern	1	1	2	800				12500
74 " Zion	1		1	800			Interior renovated	22000
*75 Turnberry								
*76 Vanleek Hill								
77 Vespra		1	1	150			Church built	1000
78 Warwick	1	2	3	600				3200
79 Waterloo	Q.		1	150				800
80 Waterville	Q.					1		700
81 Whitby	Ont.		1	250		1	Church painted. Parsonage	4000
*82 Windsor	Q.						[being built.	
*83 Wroxeter	Ont.							
Total of 60 Churches reported.....	26	40	66	18505	6	3	16 17 making improvements.	286090

* No returns from these 23 Churches.

† Returns from these 5 Churches incomplete.

† 1

CHURCHES, &C.—Continued.

CONTRIBUTIONS.										
Total Value.	Increase on 1871.	Decrease from 1871	Local objects.	General Denominational objects.	Indian, French, or Foreign Missions.	Other Benevolent objects.	Total.	Increase on 1871.	Decrease from 1871.	
\$	¢	¢	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1800			154 00	24 50		15 00	193 00	60 00		
1200	100		70 00				70 00	30 00		
8000			1227 00	53 00	8 00		1288 00	448 00		
52000	7000		9028 00	2643 00	870 00	2569 00	15110 00			6099 00
1000			200 00	80 03	10 00	10 00	300 00	38 00		17 00
9000	1000		1314 00	117 00	23 00	51 00	1505 00	100 00		
4000	1500		600 00	15 00			615 00	26 00		
6500	50		1269 05	373 77	62 00	134 00	1838 82	141 82		
4000	500		725 50	40 50	4 00	21 65	791 65	50 65		
16000			1500 00	80 00	30 00	40 00	1650 00			80 00
1000			159 00	30 00	10 00	10 00	209 00			21 00
3000	1000		809 85	25 00	20 00	30 00	884 85	199 85		
1700	200		469 00	54 85		54 00	577 85	119 85		
4400			500 00				500 00			300 00
2200	700		450 00	100 00	10 00		560 00			250 00
2400	200		830 00	62 00	20 00	45 00	957 00	397 00		
800			150 00	12 00		10 00	172 00	6 00		
300			150 00	33 00			183 00			
15000			3000 00	660 00	150 00	500 00	4310 00	230 00		
12500			2050 00	175 00	20 00	456 00	2701 00			499 00
22000	7000		3063 13	286 45	50 00	500 00	3899 58	2022 58		
1000	1000		400 00	30 00		6 00	436 00	266 00		
3200			500 00	75 00	30 00		605 00	167 00		
800			460 00	28 50			488 50	13 00		
700			291 20	38 31		22 92	352 43	28 43		
4000	1500		638 50	65 23		24 00	727 73	0 27		
286090	25650		49562 09	7852 29	1651 00	5435 82	68701 20	1369 74		

‡ Less Cowansville, Guelph, Manilla, and New Durham.