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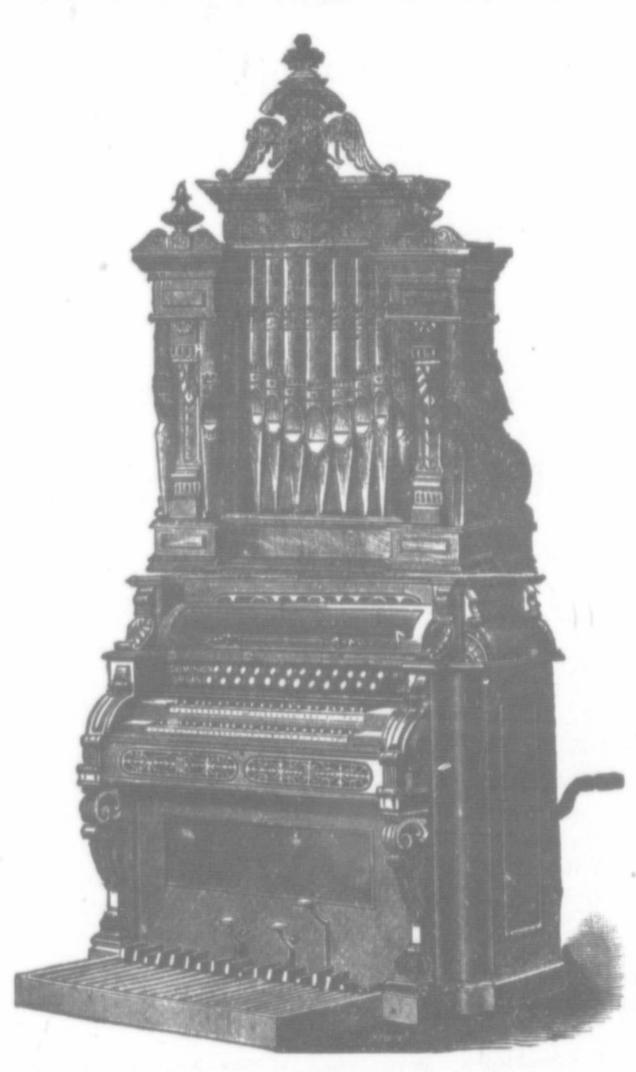
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SUMMARY OF STATISTICS, 1885.

ONTARIO, QUEBEC AND MANITOBA.

There are now 97 churches on the roll of Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba, of these 72 have sent in reports as against 65 last year. The returns of 9 additional churches have been made up from last year's reports, making 81 in all and leaving 16 churches wholly unreported. These 16 churches are Alton, Bolton, Edgeworth, Embro, North Erin, Owen Sound, Parkdale, Tilbury, Northern, Whitby, Belle Riviere, Franklin Centre, Inverness, Quebec, Rock Island Stanstead, St. Andrews and Pilot Mound.

The following is a summary of the statistics of the 81 churches above referred to, except in so far as relates to additions and losses in membership, and reported decrease in the matter of finances, the former of which are taken from the 72 churches reported this year, and the latter is arrived at by comparison of those 60 churches which have reported both years:—

General—	
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Additions to Membership—	
By profession	806 205
Losses— Total	1011
By death	73
By letter	180
By discipline	19
Dropped on revision	142
Total	414
Increase in the 72 churches reporting this year	597
Present Membership—	
Male	2,466
Female	The second second
Particulars not given	281
Total	6,765

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Sunday Schools—		
Number	77	
Officers and Teachers	837	
Scholars on Roll	7,497	
Average attendance	5,559	
Baptisms—		
Adult	, 108	
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Total	464	
Church Edifices—		
Number	85	
Number of sittings	25,921	
Parsonages—		
Number	34	
Finances		
Value of church edifices	8609 195	
Value of parsonages Amount of Debt on church property	168,790	
Balance	478,285	
Amount raised for local church objects	92,899	
Amount raised for Union	468	
Amount raised for Canada Congregational	200	
Missionary Society	3,462	
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British North America	2,232	
Amount raised for support of Foreign, French		
and Indian Missions	1,634	
Amount raised for general benevolent purposes	2,162	
Amount raised for all purposes	103,748	
Decrease on last year in sixty churches, which		
reported in both years	10,638	
Amount of missionary grant received	3,564	

W. H. WARRINER,

Statistical Secretary.

Bowmanville, June 5th, 1885.

N. B.—Embro and Parkdale have sent in reports too late to be entered in the above summary. Embro returns 35 members received on profession of faith, and a net increase of 32. These numbers added to those above make a total of 841 received on profession of faith, and a total net increase of 629.

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NARRATIVE OF THE CHURCHES.

The past year has been one of great blessing to our churches, if not financially, at least spiritually, and in this we greatly rejoice. We have no fear as to the raising of all the money that is needed, so long as the spiritual life of the churches is healthy and growing, and that such is the case we record with devout gratitude to God.

A year ago we were gladdened by learning that 727 had been received into our churches on profession of faith, and a net increase remained after deducting losses from various causes of 404. This year our statistics report that 72 churches received 806 on profession of faith, and a net increase is left of 597—add to this the Embro church, a report of which followed me after I left home, and which shows the reception of 35 on profession of faith, and a net increase of 32, and a grand total is reached of 629—or 245 more than last year.

This increase has been very generally shared in by the churches of the whole denomination, but more especially by those of Ontario.

Some of the churches report having held special revival services, among which is Stratford, under the pastorate of Rev. E. E. Gordon-Smith. Stratford records a net increase of 32 in its membership, and of \$630 in its finances, in regard to which latter item Mr. Gordon-Smith makes mention in his report to your secretary gratefully acknowledging "the timely and generous (financial) help of individuals and churches."

Warwick Zion and Watford, the two fields of the Rev. R. Hay, also report gracious seasons of revival, in connection with which mention is made of the successful labours of Mr. Gay, the Evangelist. The increase in these two churches for the past year is 28.

Eaton also had the services of Mr. Gay, and much good is believed to have been accomplished. I am not able however to state the numerical results. Other churches have I believe held revival services, but I am not able to give any particulars of them, as these are the only ones made mention of in the reports that came to my hand. It may not be out of place to say here that comparatively few of the Churches have responded to the request of the Union to give information to the Statistical Secretary, in.

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order that this narrative might be compiled. I hope that another Secretary may have a happier experience in this respect.

Other churches without holding special services have experienced a continual blessing on the ordinary means of grace. Several pastors gratefully speak of a deepening interest in religious matters, and many have had the joy of receiving large accessions to their membership. Belleville reports a net increase of 21. Bowmanville of 15; this church has also completed its organization by the election of four deacons, the first in as many years. Cobourg, 17; Forest, 29; Forest (Lake Shore), 21; Hamilton, 24; Kingston Bethel, 19; Toronto Bond Street, 74; Toronto Western, 15; Toronto Yorkville, 40; Toronto Riverside, 20; Unionville, 15. I might go on to speak of others who have an increase of numbers less than these, but still very encouraging. Some have received a goodly number, and yet by reason of deaths, or removals, or the revision of the roll, are not able to report a large increase at the end of the year. Few indeed—only 6—have received none on profession of faith. These 6 are all in Ontario; of these one is vacant, and the rest are presided over by earnest, faithful pastors: may their hearts be rejoiced by large ingatherings during the coming year.

The past year has been signalized by the formation of several new churches. At Dalston, the Rev. J. C. Wright has organized a church of 17 members. They have also built a church and parsonage at a cost of \$2,700, of which only \$300 remains to be paid.

At St. Thomas, also, a church has been formed, numbering 27 souls. A church building and parsonage have been purchased at a cost of \$3,150.

At Hawkesbury, a church has been formed with a membership of 18, and a school organized in connection with it at Sandy Hill.

A mission and Sunday school have also been organized at Woodstock.

It is pleasing also to notice the resuscitation of old churches. Speedside has sent returns to your secretary for the first time in a number of years; so also have Unionville and Fergus.

Unionville has held special services and reports a net increase of 15, and has I believe also had the honor of sending one of its converts, a fine young man, to the college.

Fergus was closed for years, and had ceased to exist as a church. Rev. J. R. Black has however reorganized and at present conducts it in connection with his own field. It has a membership of 27.

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We are glad also to note that Montreal Zion rejoices in the settlement of the Rev.H.A.McIntyre, B.A., and returns a fair increase in its membership. In these places and in others we find a new fulfilment of the old promise, "They that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places, thou shall raise up the foundation of many generations, and thou shalt be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of paths to dwell in."

In regard to the finances of the past year, the report is not so encouraging. Sixty churches report a decrease, amounting in all to \$10,630. This comparison of finances as you will see is necessarily confined to those churches which reported last year as well as this. A comparison of the grand totals of this year with those of last would give us no information, as the number of reporting churches is not the same in each case.

The increase or decrease in membership on the other hand is calculated on the basis of this year's returns only, as the returns themselves, if correct, contain all the elements necessary for such calculation.

But against this decrease of \$10,638 in the 60 churches reporting both years, we must not forget to reckon the increased finances of those churches which have been organized or resuscitated during the past year, but which since they had not before appeared on the rolls could not enter into such comparison as I have made.

Our statistics in these and many other matters, must remain comparatively imperfect and incorrect until every church, and especially every pastor, feels an individual responsibility in this matter. Statistics are the result of co-operative agencies, and the perfection of the whole is dependent upon the perfection of every part.

Speaking again of finances, there are several churches to whom the past year has been a financial as well as a spiritual success. At Forest and Lake Shore, at Dalston and in other places, new churches have been built or purchased as already indicated. Other churches, as Calvary, (Montreal), and Zion, (Toronto), report a material reduction of church debt. I am glad too that the pastor of Calvary church reports as one of the points of interest, "sending a young man to college"—and truly that is a point of great interest. Young men have gone from other churches of which no mention is made in the reports. I am glad that one pastor has referred to the matter as a "point of interest." May there be many such interesting facts to report.

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May G of our ha It would be both an interesting and a profiable task, to enquire into the causes of the large additions to our membership during the past two years. It may have resulted in part from a growing zeal pervading the whole community. In some cases it has evidently resulted from special revival services.

But I believe it is in great part due to a simpler and more constant reiteration from our pulpits of the special truths of Redemption, of repentance towards God and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. We are to declare all the counsel of God, but we must never forget that the counsel of God all centres in His purpose to redeem the world, and while it is our duty to enforce the ethics of religion, I believe it is our duty specially to preach Christ's Gospel of love and mercy to a sinful world. Looking over our whole field and speaking from some knowledge of the facts, and speaking too, I trust in all charity, I record it as my conviction that that preaching which aims at the conversion of sinners, will most likely produce it. A change from the merely ethical style of preaching, to the evangelical, has produced a corresponding result in the conversion of souls. I believe also that we are learning better than ever not only to cast the net into the deep, but also to draw it to the shore full of fishes, not only to sow the seed, but also to put in the sickle and reap the harvest.

We must know how to do both, and especially shall we find as our Sunday School statistics will show, that our hope largely lies in bringing the children to Jesus.

May God give constantly his blessing, and establish the work of our hands.

W. H. WARRINER,

Statistical Secretary.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The union took a very important step in advance last year, when it appointed a Sunday School Committee to gather statistics and further the interests of our Sunday School work. The salvation of the children, means the salvation of the world, and any care or labor spent in their behalf, is sure to meet with a rich reward. Your Committee have not been able to do all they could desire in this the first year of their work, but they have made a beginning and laid a foundation for future operations.

Circular letters have been sent to the various Sunday Schools in Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba, asking for information in regard to methods of organization, membership, finances and result of work, to which 62 replies have been received.

Six of these S. Schools have been returned as Union S. S., the rest are all Congregational. The number of officers and teachers engaged in these 62 schools is 798; 59 of the teachers (not officers) are not members of any church, although no doubt many of them may be Christians. We believe it to be highly important not only that every teacher should be a personal disciple of Christ, but also a professed disciple, that he may witness of Christ to his scholars, not only by the truth, but also by his personal example.

Coming now to the scholars we find that there are 6,859 enrolled, with an average attendance of 4,953, or a little over 62 per cent. It is pleasing also to learn that 679 of these scholars, or nearly 10 per cent. are members of the church. It is probable that even a far larger proportion might be obtained if we had more practical faith in the reality of child piety, and took more pains to gather the lambs within the fold. Too often children are allowed to grow up from the very infant class and pass out of the school through the adult classes without much if any personal dealing on the part of either pastor or teachers. It is well nigh impossible for a pastor, be he ever so earnest, to come into personal contact with every scholar of the S. S., at least not so much as he would like, but it is the duty as well as the privilege of the teacher to deal with each individual member of his class, and if our teachers were more faithful in this work, far greater results. would be achieved.

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Another important question was asked in regard to the per cent. of scholars usually attending the preaching services. Dr. Vincent has wisely said that "if he could have but one service, he would put his boy into the church service." The school is not intended to take the place of the church, only to supplement it. We reckon it therefore a gratifying feature of this report that 9 out of the 62 schools report 100 per cent. of scholars attending the church services, while 10 report over 75 per cent., and 7 report 50 per cent. and over. There are however 13 Sunday Schools that give no answer to this question, not we presume from any lack of appreciation of the importance of the subject, but from the difficulty of estimating the facts. We hope that one of the good results of these enquiries will be that schools will give more attention to the matters now brought before them.

METHODS.—Coming now to the methods of work, we learn that all the schools but 5, are held all the year. 21 hold their session in the morning; 1 alternately morning and afternoon, and 1 both morning and afternoon; 20 only have teachers' study meetings; 44 have teachers' business meetings, some of these only very occasionally; 50 have reviews, either from the superintendent's desk, or in the individual classes; four others report open session, with Temperance or Missionary addresses, instead of reviews; 15 schools also report having children's meetings distinct from the ordinary session; 19 have Temperance Societies in connection with the schools, while several others have a school pledge, but no organized Temperance Society; others again report a Union Children's Temperance Society in the town or village.

LITERATURE.—Questions were also asked concerning the literature of the S. S., from which we find that most of the schools have both lesson helps for the teachers, as well as papers for the children. The lesson helps and papers chiefly in use are Cook's and the Congregational Publications, besides which appear the S. S. Times, Northern Messenger, Canadian Messenger, Witness, Band of Hope, British Workman, and others. 19 of the Sunday Schools have no library; the remaining 43 reporting have 11,518 volumes.

Finances — Passing now to the item of finances, we learn that the expense of these 62 schools during the past year has been \$3,340, of which \$2,916 have been raised in the schools, while \$1,-056 have been contributed for Mission and \$369 for other objects, making a total of \$4,341, or an average of 56 cents for each teacher and scholar during the year. The most gratifying feature however of this item is the \$1,056 contributed for missions.

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RESULTS.—But what, we may ask, is the practical result of all this Sabbath School labour. It is right that we should look for results and expect them, while at the same time we recognize that S. S. work cannot be measured nor can its results be statistically shown. It is an educating force, whose results flow through all life and through eternity. Nevertheless we have ventured to ask two questions, one as to the number of children who have signed the pledge, and another as to the number that have united with the church during the past year. The replies we have received inform us that no less than 494 children have signed the pledge during the past year, while several S. S. reply that no record of numbers has been kept, but that nearly all the school is pledged. 258 children have also united with the church during the year. May the Good Shepherd watch over these lambs of the fold.

Such are the facts that we have learned, and now lay before you. This we do with feelings of great gratitude for the state of success which they reveal, and with hope of yet greater blessings in the future. We have no recommendations to present to you, except that the union order the printing of these statistics and of this report also, in the Year Book.

W. H. WARRINER.

Convener of S. S. Committee and Stat. Sec.

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CONGREGATIONAL ECCLESIASTICAL RECORD FOR CANADA.

JUNE 4TH, 1884, TO JUNE 12TH, 1885.

I. ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS.

Mr. W. H. Watson, ordained and installed pastor at Cherbogue, N. S., July 15th, 1884.

Mr. A. W. Richardson, B. A., ordained and installed pastor at South Caledon and Churchill, Ont., August 6th, 1884.

Mr. H. A. McIntyre, B. D., ordained and installed pastor of Zion Church, Montreal, September 17th, 1884.

Mr. James W. Pedley, B. A., ordained and installed pastor at Georgetown, June 16th, 1885.

Rev. J. B. Saer, B. D., installed pastor at St. John, N. B., August 20th, '84.

Rev. J. C. Wright, installed pastor at Dalston, Ont., November 6th, 1884.

Rev. A. W. Main, installed pastor at Belleville, Ont., December 23rd, 1884.

II. RESIGNATIONS AND REMOVALS.

Rev. W. W. Smith, resigned Newmarket, Ont., July 1st, 1884.

Rev. Wm. Stacey, resigned Belleville, Ont., July 1st, 1884.

Rev. J. B. Saer, B. D., resigned Wingham, Ont., July 31st, 1884.

Rev. A. W. Main, resigned Economy, N. S., December 1st, 1884.

Rev. D. W. Cameron, resigned Cherbogue, N. S., December 31st, 1884.

Rev. E.J.Burgess, resigned Tilbury and Edgeworth, Ont., December 31st, '84.

Rev. Jos. Watt, resigned Turnbury and Howick, Ont., December 31st, 1884.

Rev. W. H. Way, resigned Pine Grove and Humber Summit, Ont., May 31st, 1885.

Rev. W. C. Wood, resigned Stanstead, Quebec, 1885.

Rev. F. Gunner, M. D., resigned Listowel, Ont., May, 1885.

III. REMOVALS FROM THE DOMINION.

Rev. Wm. Stacey, removed to England, August, 1884.

Rev. D. W. Cameron, removed to the United States, December 31st, 1884.

Rev. Jos. Watt, removed to the United States, February, 1885.

Rev. W. C. Wood, Removed to the United States, 1885.

IV. DEATHS.

Rev. Edward Ebbs, died in Toronto, June 23rd, 1884, aged 64 years.

V. JOINED OTHER DENOMINATIONS.

Rev. John Brown, joined the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

Rev. Robert Brown, joined the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

VI. CHURCHES ORGANIZED.

St. Thomas, Ont., church organized October 19th, 1884. Hawkesbury, Ont., church organized September 22nd, 1884. Dalston, Ont., church organized November 6th, 1884. Belle Riviere, Quebec, church organized, 1884. Fergus, Ont., church re-organized March 23rd, 1885. Woodstock, Ont., Mission organized April 28th, 1885.

VII. CHURCH EDIFICES AND PARSONAGES.

Forest, Ont., new church purchased and opened July 6th, 1884.

Garafraxa, Ont., new parsonage, occupied July 29th, 1884.

St. Thomas, Ont., church and parsonage purchased, October, 1884.

Dalston, Ont., new church, opened October 14th, 1884.

Lake Shore, Forest, Ont., new church purchased and opened November, '84.

Lake Shore, Forest, Ont., new church purchased and opened November, '84. Noel, N. S., parsonage and glebe bought 1884.

Middleville, Ont., new church dedicated February 8th, 1885.

Parkdale, Toronto, lot bought for a church, April, 1885, corner stone laid May 25th, 1885.

VIII. OTHER CHANGES.

Union of Missionary Societies of Canada, July 1st, 1884.

Sunday School organized at Sandy Hill, (Hawkesbury), Ont., 1884.

Sunday School organized in Woodstock, April 3rd, 1885.

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CONGREGATIONAL THEOLOGICAL COLLEGES.

I. BRITISH. .

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1	Congregation I College of Montreal, Que1839 B. N. A	5	yrs.	7	17
9	Western CollegePlymouth, Eng1752	5	6.5	. 2	18
	Rotherham CollegeRotherham, "1756	3	6.6	3	27
4	Chestnut College Chestnut, "1768		66	6	29
	Airedale CollegeBradford, "1756		6.6	3	32
(Hackney CollegeHackney, "1803	6	6.6	4	31
7	Lancashire College Manchester, "1816	5	6.6	4	41
	Spring Hill CollegeBirmingham, "1838		6.6	2	42
	New College London, " 1696		6.6	8	46
	Congregational Institute Nottingham, " 1861	4	66	3	60
	Theological InstituteBristol, "1863		6.6	2	21
	Presby. and Cong. College. Carmarthen, Wales. 1719	4	6.6	2	27
	Memorial CollegeBrecon, " 1755	4	66	$\frac{1}{2}$	27
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19	Union CollegeSouth Australia1874		66	$\frac{2}{2}$	7
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There are also ten collegiate institutes in India, Madagascar, South Sea Islands and South Africa, for the training of about 300 native pastors and evangelists, conducted by agents of the London Missionary Society, which are not given above.

1J. UNITED STATES.

In the United States there are twenty-six Congregational universities and colleges, holding property valued at \$4.706,000, having endowments of \$4,438,000, and with an income of \$529,-000. There are eleven theological seminaries, seven of which are independent, and four are auxiliary to other institutions. These seminaries hold property valued at \$1,438,000, have endowments of \$1,669,000, and an income of \$120,000. There are, besides, forty-three theological schools in foreign countries con-

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	Hartford Seminary	and the same of th				7	51
5	Oberlin Seminary	Oberlin, Ohio	1835	3	6.6	5	36
6	Pacific Seminary	Oakland, Cal	1869	3	6.6	3	10
7	Yale Seminary	New Haven,	Conn1822	3	66	7	96

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GENERAL CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS.

I. BLITISH NORTH AMERICA.

In Canada and Newfoundland there are two Congregational Unions, five Associations, 118 churches, 61 preaching stations, with about 7,840 members, as follows:—

Province.	Churc	hes.	Stations.	Minister	8,	Members
Manitoba	2			 1		 107
Ontario	75		16	 50		 5355
Quebec	19		19	 14.		 1303
Nova Scotia	19		12	 7		 890
New Brunswick	3		6	 3		 309
Newfoundland	4			 3		 170
Labrador	1			 1		 12
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II. ENGLAND.

London has one Metropolitan Congregational Union, 252 churches, 164 mission rooms and preaching stations, 10 vacant churches, 227 ministers in charge, 179 ministers residing in London without charge (which is reduced by retirements from age and other causes to at most 25 desiring pastoral charges); 16 churches are supplied by lay pastors, students, etc. In the provinces there are 37 county Unions and Associations, sometimes called Unions, comprising one or more counties and districts; 2084 churches with 1126 stations. Of these churches 171 are returned as vacant. There are in England 2145 ministers, of which number 491 are without pastoral charge, chiefly retired ministers, and 300 evangelists and lay agents. No statistics of membership are given in the English returns.

ASSOCIATION.	No. of Churches.	Accommoda-	No. of Stations.	Accommoda- tion.	Total Accommoda tion.
Bedfordshire	14	7,587	13	1,846	9,433
Berkshire, S.Oxon&S. Bucks		17,998	31	3,604	21,602
Buckinghamshire, North		6,772	29	4,075	10,847
Cambridgeshire		13,149	3	300	13,449
Cheshire		24,885	17	3,491	28,376
Cornwall		6,266	3	376	6,642
Cumberland		8,171	9	800	8,971
Derbyshire		16,165	14	1,977	18,142
Deyonshire	67	29,748	68	9,194	38,942
Dorsetshire	31	10,974	20	3,022	13,996
Durham & Northumberland		21,321	21	3,234	24,555
Essex	102	49,682	72	8,486	58,168
Glo'stershire&Herefordshire		45,392	52	7,358	52,750
Hampshire	54	26,716	46	6,051	32,767
Hertfordshire		13,312	21	2,365	15,677
Huntingdonshire	17	6,900	10	1,840	8,740
Kent		38,789	38	4,942	43,731
Lancashire	233	139,273	59	15,266	154,539
Leicestershire and Rutland.		13,026	41	6,437	19,463
Lincolnshire	28	11,023	10	1,635	12,658
Middlesex		110,933	135	38,951	149,884
Monmouth (English)		15,849	nil		15,849
" (Welsh)		18,033	2	302	18,335
Norfolk		13,832	20	2,724	16,556
Northamptonshire		13,374	24	2,463	15,837
Nottinghamshire		11,436	19	3,178	14,614
Shropshire		12,103	12	1,633	13,736
Somerset	52	17,356.		5,577	22,933
Staffordshire (South)	32	14,853	17	2,998	17,851
" (North)		9,295	2	600	9,895
Suffolk		25,143	59	6,072	31,215
Surrey	-	50,518	34	4,706	55,224
Sussex		19,822	48	5,626	25,448
Warwickshire	60	28,481	26	2,995	31,476
Wilts and East Somerset		19,445	19	2,900	22,345
Worcestershire		8,405	13	1,343	9,748
Yorkshire	233	137,414	67	14,491	151,905
Total for England	2,084	1,033,441	1,126	182,858	1,216,299

III. WALES.

In Wales there are 14 associations and 718 churches, 86 of which are English, and 252 stations; 517 ministers, 80 of whom are without pastoral charges, and 87 evangelists, 298 lay preachers; 120,653 church members, 118,737 Sunday school scholars, and 276,201 adherents. Monmouthshire has 36 Welsh churches and 2 mission stations; and 31 Welsh churches are in other parts of England.

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ASSOCIATION.	No. of Churches.	Accommoda- tion.	No. of Stations.	Accommoda- tion,	Total Accommoda- tion.
Anglesea	24	7,997	16	2,956	10,953
Carnaryonshire	60	20,503	35	8,085	28,588
Denbighshire and Flintshire	60	15,262	13	1,967	17,229
Merionethshire	54	13,641	10	811	14,452
Montgomeryshire	44	8,540	16	1,040	9,580
North Wales, E. C. U	52	13,270	2	150	13,420
Breconshire	25	5,753	23	4,388	10,141
Cardiganshire	38	16,995	32	7,917	24,912
Carmarthenshire		34,060	32	8,176	42,236
Glamorganshire	170	90,210	43	11,962	102,172
(English)	56	25,750	1	25	25,775
Pembrokeshire	100,000	10,724	10	1,650	12,374
South Pembrokeshire	22	8,612	15	2,218	10,830
Radnorshire	7	1,540	4	580	2,120
Total for Wales	719	272,857	252	51,925	324,782
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Wales,	2,803	1,306,298	1,378	234,783	1,541,081

The above Totals are based on Returns received from Churches and Stations which appear in the County Lists of the English Year Book. Certified returns have, however, been received from individual Churches in different parts of England and Wales regarding 166 Mission Stations of which the Year Book contains no record, at which accommodation is provided for 27,-276 persons. Of these Stations 118 are in England with 16,007 sittings, and 51 in Wales with 11,269 sittings.

Adding these to the figures of the Tables, there is shown a grand total of Churches, Branch-churches, and Mission stations in England and Wales, of 4,347, of which 1,022 are in Wales; and a total sitting accommodation of 1,568,357 of which 336,051 are in Wales.

In the Religious Census of 1851, the number of places credited to the Congregational body was 3,244, and sittings 1,002,507. In the 33 years which have elapsed there has been an addition of 1,103 buildings and 565,-850 sittings; an increase of over 33 buildings, and 17,147 sittings per annum.

IV. SCOTLAND.

There are in Scotland 102 Congregational churches, of which 12 are vacant. Aberdeen has 5, Dundee 6, Edinburgh 6, Glasgow 12, Highlands 4, Orkney Isles 2, and Shetland Islands 10; 114 ministers, of whom 25 are without pastoral charge and 2 lay pastors. The two oldest churches, Thurso and Aberfeldy, were formed in 1790.

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V. IRELAND.

In Ireland there are 29 Congregational churches, 2 of which are vacant; branch churches 5. Antrim has 9, and of these 3-are in Belfast; Armagh 2, Cork 3, Donegal 2, Down 1, Dublin 4, Galway 1, Limerick 1, Londonderry 2, Sligo 1, and Tyrone 3. The oldest is in Cork, and was formed in 1760. Besides these churches there are about 108 evangelistic stations. There are 25 ministers; 21 in pastoral charge, and 4 without churches.

VI. CHANNEL ISLANDS.

In the Islands of the British Seas there are 11 Congregational churches—with but two exceptions these are French. Jersey has 8, and Guernsey 5. The oldest is St. Saviour's, Guernsey, and was formed in 1803. There are 6 ministers.

VII. AUSTRALIA.

Six Congregational Unions; 181 churches of which 5 are vacant; and 113 preaching stations; 158 ministers, of whom 36 are without charge, and 19 evangelists. New South Wales has 51 Sunday-schools, 587 teachers, and 6,229 scholars. Western Australia, 4 Sunday-schools, 54 teachers and 520 scholars.

Unions.	Churches.	Stations.	Ministers.
Victoria	50	 24	 46
New South Wales	44	 23	 47
Queensland	21	 20	 18
South Australia	39	 14	 39
Western Australia	3	 - 8	 4
Tasmania	18	 28	 15
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South Australia	39	 14	 39 4

VIII. NEW ZEALAND.

New Zealand has 1 Congregational Union, (uniting the Auck-land and the South,) embracing 21 churches, of which 1 is vacant. There are 24 ministers, (6 without pastoral charge,) and 1 evangelist.

IX. THE CONTINENT.

There are Congregational churches in France, Russia, Germany, Spain and Belgium. In connection with the Evangelistic Mission under the Rev. R. W. McAll, there are in Paris, suburbs and provinces, 95 mission stations with over 15,000 sittings. The Free Italian church is chiefly Congregational in principles.

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X. AFRICA.

The Congregational churches in Africa are grouped under the Unions of Natal and South Africa.

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XI. WEST INDIES.

The Jamaica Congregational Union, formed in 1877, includes 10 churches, with which are connected about six thousand adherents, 31 out-stations, and 21 day-schools, 8 ministers, and 20 lay preachers.

XII. BRITISH GUIANA.

Congregational churches in Demerara 17, ministers 6; Essequibo 4, minister 1; Berbice 15, ministers 4. Total churches 36; ministers 11. The above comprise one union.

XIII. INDIA.

There are 7 self-sustaining churches, 7 aided by the London Missionary Society, and 16 native churches, presided over by 16 native pastors, and 5 English union churches.

XIV. CHINA.

In the Chinese Empire there are, independent of the London Missionary Society, two Congregational churches, one at Hong Kong and the other at Shanghai, each having pastors.

XV. MADAGASCAR.

The following particulars are from the London Missionary Society's report for 1884. English missionaries, 26; female missionaries, 3; native ordained ministers, 756; native preachers, 4,005; church members, 60,581; native adherents, 199,283; schools, 1,007; pupils, 94,007. Amount of local contributions, \$9,770.

XVI. SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

A few years ago a revival occurred in Sweden principally through the instrumentality of a Swede, who had been a member of Mr. Moody's church in Chicago. This brought about a revolt from the State Lutheran church, and with the scriptures for a guide they formed churches on the Congregational model. These embrace now about 400 churches with an aggregate membership of 100,000. The largest Congregational meeting-house in the world is in Gothenberg and seats 5,000.

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XVII. UNITED STATES.

The total number of Congregational churches in the United States is 4,092, an increase on last year of 76; the number of ministers is 3,889; an increase of 93; ministers not engaged in pastoral work, 1,126; number of church members, 401,549; net gain during the year, 5,340. Number in Sunday-schools, 478,357, an increase of 11,220. These churches raised for benevolent contributions, \$1,523,924.22, and for home expenditure \$3,884,105,91, making a total of \$5,408,030.13 raised for benevolent and religious purposes.

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California	1857	8 .	99		98		6,280
Colorado	1868		28		30		1,467
Connecticut	1709		298		387		54,509
Dakota	1871		110		66		2,871
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Florida	1873		11	'	16	*	246
Georgia	1878		13		12		1,257
Idaho			. 1		1		10
Illinois	1844		241		245		24,742
Indiana	1858		31		24		1,842
Indian Territory	1876		10	,.	2		104
Iowa	1840		260		207		17,290
Kansas	1855		187		154		7,399
Kentucky			4		4		260
Louisiana	1870		18		13		1,364
Maine	1826		242		184		20,757
Maryland			2		2		222
Massachusetts	1803		532		641		90,350
Michigan	1842		273		315		18,230
Minnesota	1856		142		112		8,239
Mississippi			6		7		189
Missouri	1865		74		54		5,002
Montana			6		5		111
Nebraska	1857		159		113		4,548
Nevada			1		1		48
New Hampshire	1809		187		184		19,638
New Jersey	1869		25		32		3,284
New Mexico			. 3		3		57
New York	1834		256		235		35,537
North Carolina	1879		10		9		621
Ohio	1852		231		180		24,789
Oregon	1843		21		21		1,024
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Rhode Island	1809		27		36		5,685
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Wisconsin	1840	 195		167	 12,590
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XVIII. SANDWICH ISLANDS.

In the Sandwich Islands there are 49 ministers and 57 Congregational churches, with a membership of about 7,000. The Theological Institute of Honolulu educates ministers for both the home and foreign field. In 1883 these churches reported \$3,508 for Foreign Missions, and for all purposes \$40,554.

XIX. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The London Missionary Society's income for 1884-5 was \$568-725, and the expenditure \$626,090. Number of church members, 91,497; adherents, 325,171. Amount of local contributions, \$63,-450; scholar's fees, \$28,475. Total raised and appropriated at mission stations, \$91,925. The sphere and extent of operations are indicated as follows:

STATIONS AND OUT-STATIONS.	English Missionaries.	Female Missionaries.	Native ordained Ministers.	Native Preachers.	Church Members.	Native Adherents.	Scholars,
1. CHINA	25	4	7	66	3,052	1,010	1,711
2. NORTH INDIA	15	7	8	26	484	1,907	4,472
3. SOUTH INDIA	25	3	17	111	1,158	11,363	7,126
4. TRAVANCORE	7	2	20	162	4,418	42.998	11,508
5. MADAGASCAR	26	3	756	4,005	60,581	199,283	94,007
6. AFRICA	21	1		46	2,071	3,976	1,487
7. WEST INDIES	1			6	460	1,380	481
8. POLYNESIA	22		274	632	19,273	63,254	18,203
TOTALS	142	20	1,082	5,054	91,497	325,171	138,995

The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions for the year ending August 31st, 1884, report receipts \$588,353. 51; expenditure, \$588,711.90; permanent funds, \$222,055. Of the 413 American missionaries, 10 are physicians and 255 assistant missionaries; these, with the native assistants, occupy 826

stations and out-stations. Among the schools there are 30 training and theological schools and 66 high and 835 common schools. The following are the fields and their returns:

MISSIONS.	Missionarics	Native Assistants.	Churches.	Members.	High Schools.	Common Schools.	Pupils,
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oain	3	34	6	390		10	569
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or, Pacific Institute	2			****	1 -		15
Totals	413	1821	292	21176	50	825	36537

The American Missionary Association conducts missionary operations among the white and coloured people of the South, the Indians and the Chinese. It conducts 89 schools. The educational work in the South embraces 8 universities or colleges, 14 other institutions, and 43 common schools. Total receipts for the year ending September, 1884, \$302,494.19; expenditure, 301,928. 37. The work of the association is classified as follows:

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CONGREGATIONAL UNIONS.

I. CANADA.

- 1. Ontario and Quebec.—Organized in 1853 by the amalgamation of the Unions of Upper and Lower Canada. The next meeting will be held in Ottawa, Ont., June 9th, 1886. Chairman for 1885, Rev. John Burton, B. D., Toronto, Ont. Chairman for 1886, Rev. D. McGregor, M. A., Guelph, Ont; Statistical Secretary, Rev. Geo. Robertson, B. A., Melbourne, Que.; Secretary, Rev. Hugh Pedley, B. A., Cobourg, Ont.
- 2. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.—Organized in 1847. The next meeting will be held in Keswick Ridge, N. B., on the first Saturday in July, 1886. Chairman, Rev. W. McIntosh, Yarmouth, N. S.; Treasurer, James Woodrow, St. John, N. B.; Secretary, Rev. J. Barker, Sheffield, N. B.; Statistical Secretary, Rev. J. Shipperley, Margaree, C. B.; Foreign Missionery Treasurer, Mr. C. H. Dearborn, St. John, N. B.

H. GREAT BRITAIN.

- 1. ENGLAND AND WALES.—Formed in 1838. Chairmen for 1885, Revs. T. Rees, D. D., and David Thomas, D. D.; Chairman for 1886, Rev. Edward White, London; Secretary, Rev. Alexander Hannay, D. D., Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E.C.
- 2. London.—Chairman, Rev. G. D. Macgregor; Secretary, Rev. Andrew Mearns, Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E. C.
- 3. The Union of Welsh Independents.—Formed in 1872: embraces ministers, deacons and delegates from churches and from the quarterly meetings. *Chairman*, Rev. O. Thomas, Newcastle-Emlyn; *Secretaries*, Revs. R. Thomas, Whitland, B. Parry, Swansea, and H. Jones, Birkenhead.
- 4. North Wales, English.—Chairman, Thomas Minshall, Esq., J. P., Oswestry; Secretary, Rev. D. B. Hooke, The Manse, Rhyl, Wales.
- 5. Scotland.—Organized in 1812; it is composed of ministers and delegates from the churches, one delegate from each church numbering less than 200, and two for those numbering more. Secretary, Rev. J. Douglass, Glasgow.

- 6. IRELAND.—Organized in 1829. Chairman, Rev. James Fordyce, M, A., Belfast; Secretary, S. J. Whitney, F.R.G.S., Dublin.
- 7. The Channel Islands.—Organized in 1882. Chairman, Rev. G. Perchard, Jersey; Secretary, Rev. F. C. Skegg, Jersey.

III. AUSTRALIA.

- 1. Victoria.—Chairman, Rev. E. T. Miles, West Melbourne; Secretary, Rev. J. J. Halley, Williamstown.
- 2. New South Wales.—Chairman, Rev. G. Campbell, Redfern; Secretary, Rev. J. F. Cullen, Sydney.
- 3. Queensland.—Chairman, Rev. E. Griffith, Brisbane; Secretary, Rev. T. J. Pepper, S. Brisbane.
- 4. South Australia.—Chairman, Mr. G. P. Doolette; Secretary, Rev. J. C. McMichael, Adelaide.
- 5. Western Australia.—Chairman, Rev. A. Buchanan, Ban-bury.
- 6. Tasmania,—Chairman, Rev. J. Bayley, Franklin; Secretary, Rev. J. W. Simmons, Hobart Town.

IV. NEW ZEALAND.

1. Auckland.—This union was established in 1863. Chairman, Rev. W. H. West, Ll. B., Wellington; Secretary, Rev. E. Walker, Dunedin.

V. AFRICA.

- 1. Natal.—Chairman, Rev. J. Tyler, Umzidusi; Secretary, Rev. J. Fernie, Durham.
- 2. South Africa.—Chairman, Rev. R. Birt, Peelton; Secretary, Rev. G. Y. Jeffreys, Uitenhage.

VI. WEST INDIES.

1. Jamaica.—Formed in 1877. Chairman, Rev. J. Eastwood, Chapelton; Secretary, J. J. Bowery, Esq., Kingston.

VII. THE UNITED STATES.

1. The 'National Council of Congregational Churches of the United States.—Organized 1871; meets every third year. Rev. Arthur Little, D.D., Chicago, Moderator; Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Boston, Mass., Secretary.

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CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

I. CANADA.

1. Congregational Missionary Society.—Formed in 1853 by the union of societies previously existing in Upper and Lower Canada. Object, to plant new churches and sustain those that are weak in the provinces. Administration by a general committee and an executive. Every subscriber of two dollars is a member of the society, and the annual meeting is held in connection with the Congregational Union. The Colonial Society gives aid by adding twenty per cent. to the amount the Canadian churches raise. Income for 1884-5 from churches, \$5,747.50; on account of a bequest, \$500; from Colonial Society, \$1,375.96; total, \$7,741.55. Expenditure, \$7,579. Officers: Rev. Dr. Cornish, Montreal, President; Rev. Thomas Hall, Kingston, Superintendent; Rev. S. N. Jackson, M.D., Kingston, Secretary; B. W. Robertson, Esq., Kingston, Treasurer.

2. The Congregational Foreign Missionary Society.—Organized in 1881 by the appointment of a provisional board. B. W. Robertson, Kingston, *President*; Rev. E. M. Hill, M.A., Montreal, *Secretary*; T. B. Macaulay, Esq., Montreal, *Treasurer*.

3. Congregational Provident Fund.—Established in 1856 as a Widows' and Orphans' Society; in 1873 the pastor's retiring branch was added and the name given as above. Ministers received as beneficiary members by paying an annual sum into the various branches, on a scale according to age. Widows of deceased members receive an annuity of \$100, and for children, sons under sixteen and daughters under eighteen, \$20, but the youngest child \$40. Superannuated ministers receive \$100 a year for life. C. R. Black, Esq., 6 Lemoine street, Montreal, Secretary-Treasurer.

4. Congregational Publishing Company.—Incorporated in 1874 to take the place of the proprietary having in charge the publication of the Canadian Independent. Composed of stockholders of five dollar shares. Publications, Canadian Independent and Congregational Year Book. S. Davidson, Toronto, President; Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D., Bowmanville, Ont., Hon. Secretary-Treasurer.

- 5. Labrador Mission.—Organized in 1859 to conduct missionary operations on the coast of Labrador. Managed by a committee of ladies in Montreal. The Newfoundland Missionary Society appoints and superintends the missionaries. Mrs. Rushton, Montreal, Secretary; Mrs. B. Wilkes, Montreal, Treasurer.
- 6. Newfoundland Home Missionary Society and Educational Board.—Object, to carry on missionary work, train teachers for schools, and spread education in the colony. W. T. Barnes, Secretary.
- 7. Ladies' Home Missionary Society of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.—Miss Lottie R. Upton, St. John, N.B., President; Mrs. Coffin, Cornwallis, N.S., and Mrs. Sillen, Liverpool, Vice-Presidents; Mrs. C. H. Dearborn, St. John, N.B., Treasurer; Miss Jedidah Tupper, Milton, Queen's County, N.S., General Secretary.

H. ENGLAND.

- 1. The London Missionary Society.—Formed in 1795 on a catholic basis to spread the knowledge of Christ among the heathen and other unenlightened nations. It sustains missions in China, India, South Africa, Central Africa, Madagascar, the West Indies, Polynesia and New Guiana. For facts see Congregational statistics, section xix. Receipts for the year ending May, 1885, \$568,725; expenditure, \$626,090. Revs. R. W. Thompson and E. H. Jones, Mission House, 14 Bloomfield street, London Wall, E.C., Secretaries.
- 2. Colonial Missionary Society.—Established in 1836 to promote evangelical religion in the colonies and dependencies of Great Britain, according to the doctrine and discipline of the Congregational churches. This is done by sending out ministers, sustaining those in the fields, and by aid in training a colonial ministry. During the current year the Society has added the continent of Europe to the area of its operations. Receipts for the year ending May, 1884, \$25,465; expenditure, \$26,240. Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E.C., Secretary.
- 3. Congregational Church Aid and Home Missionary Society.—Organized in 1878 by the union of the Home Missionary Associations. Object, to plant and foster new churches, to aid weak churches, and to provide for the preaching of the gospel and other evangelistic work in destitute places throughout England, and

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- 4. The Irish Evangelical Society.—Originating in 1814; its object is to promote the preaching of the gospel in Ireland by aiding Congregational pastors, supporting missionaries, itinerant preachers and scripture readers throughout the four provinces. Receipts for the year 1884, \$11,623; expenditure, \$9,572. Rev. E. J. Hartland, Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E.C., Secretary.
- 5. Evangelical Continental Society.—Established in 1845, to assist and encourage Evangelical societies on the continent in their endeavors to propagate the gospel. Income, \$18,260; expenditure, \$19,065. Rev. R. S. Ashton, B.A., 13 Bloomfield street, London Wall, E.C., Secretary.
- 6. The London Congregational Chapel Building Society.—Established in 1848 to promote the erection of Congregational churches in the metropolis. It has erected on an average four buildings per year since its commencement. Mr. H. E. Williams, Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E.C., Secretary.
- 7. English Congregational Chapel Building Society.—Formed in 1853 to aid in building Congregational churches and manses in England, Wales, the Channel Islands, and by special contributions Ireland and the colonies. In its work done it numbers 643 improved places of worship, meeting the needs of about half a million people, and forty-five manses. Iucome, 1884, \$66,460; expenditure, \$27,795. Rev. J. C. Galloway, M.A., Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E.C., Secretary.
- 8. Lancashire and Cheshire Chapel and School Building Society.—Formed in 1868; this society promotes the erection or purchase of buildings as above in the counties named. A fund of \$150,000 is being raised with a view to the erection of fifty new buildings within the next five years. The society has already assisted in the building of thirty-five chapels and seventeen schools. Rev. R. M. Davies, Oldham, Lancashire, Secretary.
- 9. LIVERPOOL CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL BUILDING SOCIETY.—Organized in 1872 for Liverpool and vicinity. Amount expended since 1870, nearly \$450,000, towards which the society contributed \$50,000 for assistance given in the erection and enlarge-

ment of twenty-eight chapels and schools, and the purchase of five new sites, besides granting numerous loans without interest. Rev. Geo. Lord, Secretary.

- 10 Pastors' Retiring Fund.—Founded in 1860 to facilitate the retirement of aged and infirm Congregational pastors Upwards of \$375,000 has been distributed to about 320 ministers. Capital invested, \$600,000; annuitants, 126; annuities, \$25,320. Rev. R. T. Verrall, B.A., Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E.C., Secretary.
- 11. Pastors' Widows' Fund—Organized in 1871 to provide annuities to the widows of Congregational pastors in England and Wales. Life membership is secured by payment of \$104, or not less than \$10.50 annually. Capital invested, \$125,000; annuitants, 38; annuities, 5,160. Rev. R. T. Verrall, B. A., Memorial Hall, Farringdon street, London, E. C., Secretary.
- 12. Congregational Committee for the Abolition of State Regulation of Vice.—Object, to seek by such methods as may be deemed expedient, the total and unconditional repeal of those Acts of Parliament at present in existence which are immoral in principle and constitute the State a protector and patron of vice, especially the Contagious Diseases Acts, and to oppose any extension of those or kindred Acts in any part of the British Empire. Rev. J. P. Gledstone, 63 Upper Tulse-hill, S. W., Secretary.
- 13. Congregational Board.—Formed in 1772 to co-operate with similar boards of the Presbyterian and Baptist denominations in promoting fraternal intercourse, and to take cognizance of all public questions affecting the interests of the denominations, and of religion in general. Rev. J. Teall, Woodland-road, Charlton, S. E., Secretary.

III. SCOTLAND.

- 1. Congregational Union of Scotland.—Sustains to the church and the work the relationship of a missionary society. Its affairs are managed by a general committee and by four district committees. Income, \$7,310, expended in grants to churches. Rev. John Douglas, 16 Stanley street, Woodlands road, Glasgow, Secretary.
- 2. Ministers' Provident Fund.—Established in 1859 to secure for pastors in connection with the Union, on their being disabled for ministerial duty, an annuity of \$250 as the funds allow. Income about \$3.500; capital realized, \$49,500; annuitants, ten. J. McFarlane, Glenbourne, Oswald-road, Edinburgh, Secretary.

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3. MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.—Formed in 1820 to provide for the widows and children of deceased Congregational ministers in Scotland. Admission of beneficiaries on payment of ten dollars, with annual subscription of five dollars. The widow or family of a deceased minister, until the youngest child is fourteen years of age, is entitled to receive \$50 per annum. Granted last year, \$3,450. Rev. W. J. Cox, Dundee, Secretary.

4. CHAPEL BUILDING SOCIETY.—For the promotion of the purchase, erection and improvement of Congregational Churches in Scotland, and to provide for the extinction of chapel debts. Income, \$4,820; capital, \$31,500. John Livingstone, Esq., Glasgow, Secretary.

5. Congregational Total Abstinence Society.—Organized in 1866 to promote the principles of total abstinence among the churches. Rev. James Buchan, M. A., Aidric, Secretary.

Congregational Conference.—Organized in 1872 to promote fraternal intercourse, to elucidate the scriptural authority of Congregational principles and their application, to apply them in the relation of religion and the state, and to consider social questions. Rev. J. Troup, Helensburgh, Secretary.

IV. IRELAND.

1. The Congregational Union of Ireland is the denominational Missionary Society of the country, and is organized to promote its evangelization. Rev. S. J. Whitmee, F. R. G. S., Dublin, Secretary.

2. Provident Fund.—Organized in 1860 to provide annuities for retiring pastors, and for the widows and children of deceased Congregational ministers. Entrance fee, \$50; an annual subscription of \$10. Amount paid annually to disabled ministers, or to widows, or to the children, (if no widow) till they reach fourteen years of age, \$200. Income, \$1,190; amount invested. \$17,250. S. Hicklin, 56 Clinton Park Avenue, Belfast, Secretary.

V. AUSTRALIA.

1. Victoria Congregational Mission.—To form and aid Congregational churches in the province, and for maintenance and enlargement of religious liberty, rights and privileges. Expenditure 1883, \$8,100. Rev. J. J. Halley, Williamstown, Secretary.

- 2. Victoria Building Association.—Object, to build and repair Congregational churches, Sunday-schools, and parsonages, and to remove debts. Capital, \$19,655. Rev. E. Day, Melbourne, Secretary.
- 3. New South Wales Church Extension Society. -Income for 1883, \$4,095. Assistance rendered to twelve churches, and five new churches commenced. Rev. J. T. Cullen, Sydney, Secretary.
- 4. Ministers' Retiring Fund for New South Wales.--Income, \$3,535. J. Mullen, Esq., Secretary.
- 5. Home Mission of South Australia.—Income, 1883-4, \$3,805. J. C. McMichael, Norwood, Secretary.
- 6. PROVIDENT SOCIETY FOR VICTORIA.—To give a pension to all ministers being members, on attaining the age of sixty; to afford relief to members in case of need, and also to their widows and children. Capital, \$28,075. S. A. Richardson, Esq., Secretary.
- 7. Chapel Building Society for South Australia.—Established 1858. Amount of capital, \$10.350. Charles Hope Harris, Secretary.
- 8. PROVIDENT ASSOCIATION FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—Capital, \$15,000. Rev. Adam Adamson, Kensington, Secretary.
- 9. Mission of Tasman: a in Association with the Congregational Union for Home Mission purposes. Rev. J. W. Simmons, Hobart Town, Secretary.
- 10. Tasmania Provident Fund.—Object, to aid ministers who, through sickness or age, are not fited for public work. Capital, \$11,500. Widow's Fund, \$2,645.
- 11. Auckland, New Zealand.—Home Misionary Society, associated with the Congregational Union, established in 1863. W. H. Lyon, Secretary.
- 12. New Zealand South.—Home Missionary Society, associated with Union. Rev. E. Walker, Dunedin, Secretary.

UNITED STATES.

1. American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions,—Organized in 1810 on a catholic basis for Foreign Mission work.

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\$553.589; expenditure, \$552.725. Revs. N. G. Clark, D. D., E. K. Alden, D. D., Judson Smith, D. D., Secretaries, Congregational House, Boston, Mass. Langdon S. Ward, Treasurer.

- 2. Woman's Boards.—There are three of these, all auxiliaries to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. One for the East in Boston, one for the Interior in Chicago, and one for the Pacific in California.
- 3. AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—Organized in 1846, and devoted now specially to work among the white and coloured people of the south, the Indians and Chinese on this continent. For particulars see Congregational statistics, section xix; income, \$287.594; disbursements, \$301.928. Rev. M. E. Strieby, D. D., 56 Reade street, New York City, Secretary.
- 4. The American Congregational Union.—Founded in 1853; it has for its object the erection of houses of worship and parsonages, through grants and loans. It has aided in the erection of 1,452 houses of worship, and 24 parsonages. It has expended \$1,209,388.86. Receipts for the year ending April 30th, 1884, \$105,377,68. An urgent call has been issued for \$200,000 this year. Rev. L.H.Cobb, D. D., 59 Bible House, New York, Secretary.
- 5. American Home Missionary Society.—Organized in 1826 on a catholic basis; it is the recognized Congregational Missionary Society in the United States. The total receipts for the 58 years is \$10,512,400 in cash, and in clothing and books \$1,476,000—in all \$11,988,400; the total of years of labour is 37,784; number of churches organized 4,509; number of additions 318,158. During the year ending April, 1885, 149 churches were formed, 1,342 missionaries were employed in 48 States and Territories, and 7,907 additions have been made to the missionary churches. The missionaries of this society have under them 2,069 Sunday-schools and about 106,638 Sunday-school scholars. Monthly circulation of The Home Missionary, 25,000 copies. Secretaries, Rev. Walter M. Barrows, D.D., and Rev. Joseph B. Clark. Honorary Secretary, Rev. D. B. Coe, D. D. Treasurer, Rev. A. H. Clapp, D. D., Bible House, New York City. The society has eleven auxiliaries and sixteen superintendents, supervising the work in the Western and Southern States and Territories; it has also a Woman's Department, of which Mrs. H. M. Shelton, room 38, Bible House, is the secretary.

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sions, work, 6. Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society, Congregational House, Boston, Mass.—Organized in 1832 to print, publish and circulate Sunday-school and other literature relating to a genuine Christian experience and to the Congregational faith and polity; to support Sunday-school missionaries and aid needy Sunday-schools. The Pilgrim Teacher, a monthly magazine, Pilgrim Quarterlies of different grades, the Well-Spring and other periodicals for Sunday-schools are issued. Sales for the year ending April, 1884, \$115,904.39. Donations for missionaries and for distributing Sunday-school and other literature, \$21,980.89. Eight missionaries supported. Schools aided, 1,497; organized, 217. Rev. A. E. Dunning, Secretary; M. C. Hazard, Editor; George P. Smith, Agent.

7. Congregational Educational Societies.—There are two of these societies, and both are designed to assist in ministerial education. The American College and Education Society was formed in 1874 by the union of two previous societies formed in the years 1816 and 1843. The number of young men aided in their studies for the ministry since 1816 is 7,070, and the number now receiving assistance is 336. Income for the year ending April 30th, 1884, \$111,129; expenditure, \$110,687. Rev. John A. Hamilton, Congregational House, Boston, Secretary. The Western Educational Society was organized in 1864. Rev. E. F. Williams, Chicago, Ill., Secretary.

8. AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION.—Founded in 1853 for the purpose of erecting in Boston a Congregational House, or headquarters for all our Congregational benevolent societies having offices in Boston; also a fire-proof library building, in which to gather and preserve everything which will state and illustrate the principles, polity and history of the Congregational churches. There are 30,699 volumes and over 130,000 pamphlets now in the library. Rev. Isaac P. Langworth, Boston, Mass., Cor. Secretary and Librarian.

9. The New West Educational Commission.—Incorporated November 3rd, 1879, to promote Christian civilization in Utah and adjacent States and Territories, by the education of children and youths under Christian teachers, and also by the use of such kindred agencies as may be at any time desirable. From May 1883 to July 1884 it expended \$70,142, sustained four academies and thirty-four other schools, with sixty-two teachers, and 2,925 pupils. Its sphere of operations is chiefly Utah and New Mexico.

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Feb. 26t has miss Mexico. Nathalie Though not distinctively a missionary society, it gives the free use of its school-houses to the missionaries of the Home Missionary Society, and furnishes them sites for churches and parsonages. Its central office is in the city of Chicago, 112 W, Washington street. Mr. Wm. H. Hubbard, Treasurer; Rev. Charles R. Bliss, Secretary; District-office 6, Congregational House, Boston. Rev. A. E. Winship, District Secretary.

10. The Woman's Home Missionary Association.—Organized Feb. 26th, 1880, for the prosecution of home missionary work. It has missionaries in Indian Territory, Utah, the South, and New Mexico. There are Ninety-eight auxiliaries organized. Miss Nathalie Lord, Boston, Mass.. Home Secretary.

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THE UNION MEETINGS OF 1885.

BY REV. A. F. MCGREGOR, B. A., TORONTO.

In the month of June when the landscape puts on fresh glory, it is pleasing to journey under bright skies to a city bounded by blue waters and watch-tower heights. Such enchantments did the "ambitious city" offer those who were delegates elect to the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at its annual meeting this year. Their joy was heightened by the prospect of meeting with the kind hearts and the many old-time Congregationalists in the honored church in Hamilton. It was indeed a year of joy to them, it was their jubilee. Not every one could review that half century, but there were some whose thought ranged over these fifty years of precious remembrances and hallowed reflections. When other fifty years have passed, may the leaves of memory be turned with as pleasing recollections as those of these vanished years of joy.

Of the annual sermon by Rev. H. Pedley, B. A., on "Ye shall be witnesses unto me," it may suffice here to say that it was a sermon of note by "a man of mark." May the truths voiced by the preacher be used by the Holy Spirit to make all our lives diviner in their purpose and stronger in their holy strife.

Thursday morning with its blessed hour of prayer passed all too quickly, and at ten o'clock the Union docket presented its red letter record,—the chairman's annual address, by the Rev. John Burton, B. D., Toronto. How much of truth was brought down to us from the past, how much of gold from the centuries that were, and how much of glad prophecy from the view-point of to-day, by that address will appear complete in another part of this Year Book. Whence are we? and why are we here? are questions well and fully answered in the chairman's review and unfolding. Judged by the tests of impartiality of sympathy, and illumination of discourse, the address merits an enduring transscript. If

"Words are things, and a small drop of ink
"Falling like dew upon a thought produces
"That which makes thousands, perhaps millions think"—

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accept our indicated place, and do our Heaven given work, thankful that God has anointed us with his odorous oil to wrestle to-day and believing that if we do this day's work well, we shall surely reign to-morrow.

In the afternoon the Canada Congregational Missionary Society held its annual meeting. The parted Unions—our own, and that of the maritime Provinces are again united. We hope that this time they are well married, and through all changes of wind and weather their one great altar fire will burn purely heavenward.

The report of the Missionary Superintendent, Rev. Thos. Hall-containing important and inspiriting information of the new churches established and of the older churches progress, caused gratitude to spring from many souls.

At 8 o'clock in the evening the public Missionary Meeting of this Society was held. The Rev. Dr. Cornish was in the chair, and introduced in order the appointed speakers; the Revs. Wm. Hastings of London, England; C. S. Pedley, B. A., and Dr. Stevenson. The Temperance campaign in the Fatherland,—the need for well directed missionary work at home,—the liberty of Christ, now and forever,—these great themes fired the speakers and thrilled the large audience. Wit, wisdom and eloquence, zeal and laughter, music and cheer, went together to make the evening glorious. Dr. Stephenson's speech glowed with sincere admiration of the principles and spirit of true Congregationalism. There is every certainty that if our churches are only careful not to be too independent, so independent as that they will not let God help them; their future fortunes need never droop, that is, God himself will be with them to befrend and render strong.

On Friday morning after the devotional service the final balot for chairman was proceeded with, resulting in the choice of the Rev. D. McGregor, M. A., Guelph. A resolution bearing on the Temperance Scott Act was submitted by H. J. Clark, Esq., of Toronto. Strong charges were made against the traffic and its supporters, and none left in doubt as to the soundness of the ministers and delegates on this burning question of our day.

In the afternoon the Congregational College of B. N. A., presented its reports for the year. The Rev. D. Cornish, Secretary, submitted the details of the work, showing that the position and prospects of the College are now better and brighter than at any period of its history. Those more immediately concerned in the direction of the affairs of the College merit the best proofs of our

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ddenalists, sympathy, and the students, our congratulations on their attainments and splendid opportunities in Montreal. May our young men there acquit themselves so as that they will be prepared to take the foremost places should God appoint them thereto. May His richest blessings rest upon the hope of all our churches—the college and our students.

Friday was devoted to "Our Jubilee Churches." a very interesting paper prepared by Rev. Henry Wilkes, D. D., and read by Rev. Dr. Cornish; and the Foreign Missionary Society's Report, read by the Secretary, the Rev. Hugh Pedley, B. A. The formation of a Woman's Missionary Society was by resolution recommended by the Rev. D. McGregor, and warmly supported by the Miss. Society. Much is hoped for, from this movement in the interests of missions at home and abroad. It is eminently fitting that woman's empire should thus be publicly recognized and emphasized in the Christian endeavor to "lift the earth-crushed heart to hope and heaven."

The social entertainment of the evening kindly provided by the ladies of the Hamilton church, afforded all a most delightful social season. The Rev. John Morton, the good and cordial Pastor presided. Addresses of welcome and of thanks for welcomes, were given by Rev. J. W. A. Steward, of Hamilton, Rev. John Salmon, B. A., Toronto, and Rev. J. B. Silcox, Winnipeg. Mr. Silcox paid a deserved tribute to the citizen soldiers of our country, and uttered some earnest words respecting the shameful treatment to which the Half-breeds and Indians of the North-west have been subjected at the hands of Canadians.

The presence of the Rev. W. Ewing, should also be noted as a pleasing incident in the meeting. Mr. Ewing is now laboring in Fargo, Dakota, and has already become profitably Americanized.

The Rev. H. D. Hunter, M. A., of London, moved to establish a cause in British Columbia. May success attend this venture of faith.

On Saturday morning the Statistical Report was brought forward by Rev. W. H. Warriner, B. D. The report was prepared with great care and exhibited facts of vital moment to the churches. We can but hope that Mr. Warriner's mantle may pass down upon his successors in this office.

Saturday afternoon and evening were left open for members of the union to roam by land or sea at their own sweet will. the Co the Re observe was he Thos. I Warrin

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On Sunday morning the Rev. H. Hughes of Paris, preached in the Congregational Church, according to Union appointment, and the Rev. Dr. Stevenson in the evening. The Lord's supper was observed at the close. In the afternoon a Sunday-school service was held in the church, and addresses made by Revs. Dr. Gunner, Thos. Hall, A. F. McGregor, C. S. Pedley, W. Wetherald, W. H. Warriner, and Mr. Walker, Indian Missionary.

Monday was devoted to unfinished business—the Labrador mission, and in the evening the Foreign Missionary Society, at which the Rev. D Currie was set apart to the mission work in West Central Africa. The Rev. Dr. Jackson was chosen moderator, and the official parts of the ordination services; were performed by Revs. Dr. Stevenson, John Burton, and W. H. Allworth. A number of cordial votes of thanks were tendered, and the time came for the Union to close; its sessions, and the friends to speak their kind farewell. The Union will meet next year in Ottawa, and if the church there can furnish such a kindly-attentive Secretary, and as open-hearted a people as the Hamilton church, there will be no dearth of kind offices or of the delights of Christian friendship.

THE MARITIME UNION FOR 1885.

BY REV. J. B. SAER, B. D., ST. JOHN, N. B.

Many years before the "Declaration of Independence," the principles of our "Faith and Order" were planted on the rockribbed shores of Nova Scotia.

Congregationalism in the Lower Provinces has been true to its history. In its boundless charity it has given men and churches, and money to other communions, without even a desire to be "remembered by the deeds it has done." Perhaps its chief mission is to provide other denominations with means to live and thrive. Its influence, however, in this part of the Dominion is not to be measured by the number of its churches. It prides itself on the contributions in members and ministers it has sent to Ontario and Quebec, and the benefits it has bestowed on our cousins across the line.

The men of to-day sigh over lost opportunities; but conscious of past negligence and present power they are concentrating their forces by the impulse of a new life derived from closer contact with brethren in the Upper Provinces.

A profound feeling of respect for the men and the years that are gone mantles heart and brain, as you meet for work and fellowship with a church that has outlived the storms and the changes of a century. The one at Chebogue is not large,—some of the mightiest civil and moral revolutions which have convulsed human hearts and rocked imperial thrones, have had their origin in the chambers of a single brain. So this church, like many another, has given birth to men and churches whose influence is ever widening.

The recent meetings were well attended by ministers, detegates and visitors. The number of ladies present is a prophecy of the influence that womanhood aspires to exert on political measures, educational institutions and congregational unions. Several of our students contributed to the interest and power of the convention.

The key note was struck by the Rev. S. Sykes in an admirable sermon based on Rom. viii. 24: "We are saved by hope." The meetings were characterized by a profound spiritual feeling. The

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members of the Union were as anxious that the forces of conscience, of heart and of intellect be quickened, as they were to perform the legitimate work of the hour.

The reports from the churches were expressive of life and hope.

A strong denominational spirit was manifested by the intense interest awakened by lively and intelligent discussion of "Trust deeds," "The Canadian Independent," the "Year Book," and the necessity of circulating literature of a denominational character.

The Missionary society was well represented, the enthusiasm aroused crystallized into a good collection. The facts presented will convince our Western brethren that the deficit is not as large as they anticipated.

The conspicuous part the ladies take in the society, should provoke our fair sisters in the West "to do likewise." Half the revenue was raised by them.

The college had a larger share of attention than is usual, and if words are worth their face value, it will receive a greater amount of practical sympathy in the near future.

Several of the meetings were of a semi-evangelistic character and were much appreciated by the crowds that gathered to them. The one on "grassy lawn, 'neath illimitable azures and crimson glories," reminds one of the narratives in the New Testament or of the immense gatherings on the hills and in the valleys of the land which gave birth to the Bible Society, preachers of Boanergic temperament, and hundreds of Congregational churches, though the population is not half as large as that in our fair Dominion.

The attention of the brethren was not confined to local or denominational objects. Their broad churchism was embodied in resolutions of a more national character, viz., Sabbath desecration, affairs in the North-west, and the Temperance Movement.

We need scarcely add, the meetings received additional interest and power from the delegation from the Union of Ontario and Quebec.

Mr. Sanderson was warmly welcomed as delegate, ex-chairman, and especially on account of former connection with the churches in these Provinces. His speeches had the right ring. The music of his words remains.

We are familiar with the broad churchism, the protests against sectarianism, and the advocacy of Christian Union on the basis of Congregationalism by the editor of *The Canadian Independent*. But Mr. Burton's avowed loyalty to the principle which gave in-

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spiration to the poetry of Milton, the heroism of Cromwell, the self-sacrifice of the Pilgrim Fathers, and the evangelism of Whitfield gave us fresh courage. We hope his promise to visit the Union next year will be fulfilled.

Space forbids the mention of the many kind words spoken in favour of his better half.

The ubiquitous Superintendent of Missions, "the cheapest institution" we can boast of, was the sunbeam of our Conference. He is always full—on this occasion he overflowed—in shining speech and Irish wit. But his intense earnestness and profound spiritual sympathy was more manifest than on previous visits.

Some of the glory emanating from the bright galaxy of our Canadian ministers was reflected on the Union by the popular pastor of Brantford. Mr. Fuller is well and favorably known to the churches by the sea. He was listened to with respect and admiration. His sermon and addresses were the expression of a warm heart. They sparkled with poetic beauty. His words were powerful, born of a profound conviction that the truths uttered are lasting as the throne of God.

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CONGREGATIONAL POLITY AND WORK.

Three questions press upon every man for an answer: Whence am I? Why am I here? Whither am I going? As these are answered, life passes with a hope and an aim; or ends in darkness and despair. May it not be well for us, pastors of and representatives from what are known as Congregational churches, assembled, to ask regarding those churches which have a common name,—Whence came they? Have they a distinctive work to do? What of their future?

Regarding the third of these questions I shall say little, I profess no skill in horoscopy; to the answering of the other questions, I propose to devote the time placed by custom at my dis-

posal.

Without preface or apology I at once ask the first: "Whence are we? By the we understanding the body of professing Christians demoninated Congregational or Independent, for confessedly such a body exists, or if you prefer it, a number of churches exist, called distinctively by these names. The present has its roots in the past, what has the past to say regarding the origin of Congregational or Independent churches? Mosheim's statement in his ecclesiastical history, that "all the churches in those primitive times were independent bodies, none of them subject to the jurisdiction of any other," has done yeoman service in establishing the dogma that Independent churches exist jure divino. It may do us no harm boldly to enquire what real force there is in this jus divinum. This question I shall endeavor to illustrate, not argue, that for the position to be taken in this address I may not have to stop at every stage to quote chapter and verse; though for the principles to be propounded I trust we may truly trustingly say, "Thus saith the Lord."

It is assumed e. g. with growing confidence that every individual church or congregation has a right to "call" its pastor, at least to have an influential voice in the selection. I am not aware of any direct precept or example in the New Testament on which such a claim can rest. I read, Acts vi, 5, that at the instance of "Ithe twelve," seven men of good report were chosen over the business regarding the widows who were supposed to have been neglected in the daily ministration, which evidently was not the ministration of the word, nor ordinances, but the distribution of the

charities of the church. Because we elect to the House of Commons, that does not imply that we elect our king; and the election of "the seven" does not carry with it the election to the pastorate.

We also read "that they have set themselves to minister unto the saints," 1 Cor., xvi, 15, coupled with an exhortation "that ye also be in subjection unto such." Paul emphatically declares himself to be an apostle, not from man, neither through man, but through Jesus Christ," Gal. i, 1; and though Timothy was evidently an accredited teacher, set apart by "the laying on of the hands of the presbytery," that is of the assembled elders, there is no indication that the church at Ephesus chose him, or that of Crete the oversight of Titus. Nor are we told how "the elders in every city" Titus i, 5, received their appointment. How the bishops or presbyters were chosen by the respective assemblies of the New Testament is not a matter of express or implied command, or even of example. The early church was a missionary church among an alien people. Our churches are in confessedly Christian lands given the exact church order of the primitive day, it may be questioned whether under changed environment the same were possible to-day.

There is a proverb generally accepted, "Necessity knows no law," as the expression of a principle it is very shallow. Necessity is law. Let but the "must" be righteously predicated and the law is implied. Not the must of selfishness as found for example in the excuse rendered for sharp dealing, "a man must live," for men have honourably died where life would have been the price of dishonour. An assembly of Christian men however if they would, as an assembly, do their work, and utilize the varied gifts of the individual members, must organize if only by appointing a chairman. That "must" represents a divine ordinance, for in Him we live and move and have our being, therefore a divine right. From the inevitable condition of life, Christian life, would I boldly maintain the principle of a Church's right to call its pastor, though as boldly under exceptional circumstances would I maintain the contrary. In other words, God gives to His church a life and a revelation, and says: "Work out your own salvation." I have deemed it wise to thus illustrate my view of jus divinum, that constant reference may not be needed hereafter.

Congregationalism as a distinct form of Christian church life has, and for generations has had, a local habitation, a specific work, and a name; I purpose then to ask how, inspired by life and guided by revelation, it arose in these later years; then shall we be enabled to read its jus divinum, and to answer why it ought to remain. In doing so I shall allude to its rise in England and

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in Scotland. The spiritual life of England under the Tudors and their national church was not such as would minister to a mind diseased, or pluck from the heart a rooted sorrow. Superstition, ignorance, with a morality making light of such venial sins as licentiousness and drunkenness while it looked with horror upon an altar cloth a priest's hands had not washed, was not the best calculated to lead in the ways of righteousness and consequent peace; nor was much true comfort to be found in church services where little was known of the Bible, no preaching, only a round of ceremonial follies performed by men the greater part of whose time was spent in ale houses and the general sports of the day. I am far from desirous of giving an impression that this state of things was universal. Such names as Hooker, Ridley, Latimer, and others equally well known, may suffice to preserve the establishment from the charge of utter corruption; but it is to be remembered that men lived and died frequently within the limits of a single county, and if one parish was under the darkness, no possibility of light was there for the poor needy parishoner save as he struck it for himself. The word parish suggests another recollection. The parish was the church, all within its bounds who had received baptism—and all were under legal obligation to be baptised,—were members; certainly fellowship in our sense of the word was an idle dream. The clergy thus became the legal dispensers of God's grace, and personal religion was the exception, certainly not the rule. The following facts may speak regarding the prevailing religion of the people. In 1509, £14 was left to a priest for continuing at Rome to sing at five different shrines for the repose of the soul of the testator. In 1530 Tyndal declared there were 20,000 priests in England who could not translate the Lord's prayer into English, and Bishop Hooper found scores in Gloucestershire who were unable to tell its author! "Darkness covered the land and gross darkness the people." Luther stumbled across a dusty bible and found light. Wicklife had given to his Saxon followers an English Bible, and the darkness became apparent. "The entrance of thy word giveth light." Men found little but baptized paganism in the establishment of the day. What were they to do? They could but step aside and search the Scriptures. They searched, and the fire burned—necessity was laid upon them to preach-they preached; with bitterness, it may be said. When men have convicted a system of utter falseness, and feel its prosecuting power, it is extremely ungenerous to demand from them the tenderness we feel in happy surroundings. They could see no light in the establishment which under pains and penalties demanded their devotion, and

like the Israelites they left the flesh pots of Egypt to worship in the desert. It is not in my purpose to follow them through persecution, struggle and death, rather to indicate that the movement with which the names of Robert Browne, Isaac Barrow, John Robinson, and their coadjutors are associated, (not however by them begun but the rather systematized,) was the endeavor to serve God, and to worship Him in sincerity and in truth. Early Independency was life struggling out from a living tomb. It had a jus divinum to air. Speaking of these times Dr. Dexter says: "I use the word Congregationalism to designate that system of thought, faith and practice, which starting with the dictum that the conditions of church life are revealed in the Bible, and are thence to be evolved by reverent common sense, assisted, but never controlled by, all other sources of knowledge; interprets that book as teaching the reality and independent competency of the local church, and the duty of fraternity and co-working between such churches; from these two truths, developing its entire system of principles, privileges and obligations." We accept this statement. It was the positing of God's word as the supreme rule, and Christian life in the members as the true consecration.

Let us glance at Scotland. The tale of the Covenanters is well known, not too well, their heroism may well call forth our admiration, their sufferings our sympathy. The theology and the aim of the Scottish Covenanters and of the English Independents were in substance identical. The Westminster confession of faith embodies the common theology, liberty was the aim. But the Stuarts were on the English throne, a royal race about which the only heroism found was the fidelity of the northern clans as they clung to their cause. That element led to political complications, and separated Covenanter from Ironside when union had advanced the cause of British freedom by centuries. Dunbar may have been a victory on one side, as it certainly was a defeat on the other; it was a terrible mistake for both. Scotland settled down into Presbyterianism, the struggle being over, as English Nonconformity after the restoration did into Independency. After an era of comparative enjoyment, reaping the fruit of the martyrs' struggle, religious life in Scotland confessedly declined. Burns' "Cotter's Saturday Night" was still to be seen in many a peaceful valley, on many a hillside, through many a village, but "Holy Willie's prayer" too truly pictured the orthodox pharisee, and "Holy Fair" too many a communion gathering. A movement began with which the Haldanes were intimately connected; under this quickening, earnest voices were raised against prevailing vices, urging closer fellowship on the part of those who named

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the Lord Jesus in sincerity. Against this irregular preaching and fellowship, General Assembly and Synod protested, the "Kirk" and the Presbyterian dissenters (for Scottish dissent was Presbyterian) alike denounced "secret meetings, abusing the name of liberty as a cover for secret democracy and anarchy preachers who had not attended a regular course of philosophy and divinity in some of the universities of the nation, and who had not been regularly licensed to preach the Gospel." Hence going back of presbytery and confession, some twelve or fourteen persons assembled in a private house in George Street, Edinburgh; (1798,) relying on the Spirit's presence, guided by the word of God, they constituted themselves into a church for Christian fellowship. What else could they do? Undeniably zealous in a good cause, neither national nor dissenting churches of the Presbyterian polity and creed would hold them, they must do their master's work, they began accordingly. (Prior to this the Glassiter and Sandemanians had established independent communities, but the present Congregationalism of Scotland is the direct outcome of the movement under the Haldanes.)

A review of Welch ecclesiastical history, as of the recent remarkable movement in the Scandinavian churches, would only repeat the illustration, we simply refer to them—time forbids even a hasty review—as strengthening historically the position we are taking. Congregationalism was the struggle of light

against darkness, of life against shackles.

Of late years at agricultural exhibitions an egg-hatching apparatus has been seen; by a judicious application of heat and flannel the care of the mother bird has been sufficiently imitated to secure success. I have heard of a German chemist who had succeeded in building up an egg chemically identical with the natural one, with one small difference—it would not hatch. It seems to be the prerogative of deity to give life. Man may galvanize a corpse and secure muscular action, he cannot galvanize into being. Similarly a state may foster a church, develop its powers, stimulate its growth; kings may be nursing fathers, queens nursing mothers, but they are powerless to give the vital spark; organizations may construct in all outward elements a New Testament church, but if the life is wanting the manufactured egg fails to produce. You cannot create a christian by any legal suasion, the Spirit of Christ only can quicken the dead soul; a man may attend schools of philosophy and have his head filled with thoughts of other men wanting the divine call, no licensure can make him a faitbful minister of the grace of God. An assembly may be formed, outwardly if you will, after a supposed Divine model, but if Christ is not present in the hearts of those constituting the assembly, there may be a club, but not an New Testament church. Churches are not made by political machinery, nor manufactured by ecclesiastical chemistry. Christians, Christian teachers, Christian churches, are—as was Paul's apostleship—"not from men, neither through men, but through Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead." The state church ignored this, as Canons ix, x, xi, most plainly declare, to practically witness for this truth, Congregationalism arose; therefore historically Congregationalism has been not so much a polity as a life seeking for air, for freedom to worship God.

At this juncture we may remember that "independency, liberty" was not strictly viewed as an end, but as a means to an end. It was an end striven for, only that a further end might be attained. Had the liberty of prophesying been given to the early Independents, they had not separated. This is as true of the Haldanes as of the early dissenters. As a matter of fact, when under Cromwell Independency prevailed, liberty was not only enjoyed, but allowed. In this respect the sturdy champions of the Commonwealth differed greatly from contemporary strugglers for religious freedom. George Bull, at St. George's, near Bristol, repeated his Episcopalian liturgy, and Richard Baxter, at Kidderminster, kept on his Presbyterian way under Cromwell's triers, whose duty required them to seek for evidences of spiritual life rather than for the marks of a blind orthodoxy. In this respect they followed the Primitive church, which as Bishop Lightfoot maintains esteemed Episcopal sanction rather than Episcopal ordination, character rather than obedience to a rite. To say that these triers did not always act consistently is simply to say they were men, not angels. Let him that is without sin, cast the first stone at them. Those English Independents of Cromwell's day, however, did what no other Christian body of men ever did or seem to be capable of doing now; possessed of state patronage they gave the liberty they demanded, and suppressed, when they did suppress, forms of worship, not as forms of religious life, but because those who used the same sought under cover thereof to subvert the state under which their liberty was enjoyed. We need not bow our head for English Independency. Dr. Dale, in his lecture on the English Independents, says: "It is not clear that these separatists had as yet developed any very definite theory of church polity. They seem to have been Congregationalists in their practice, but there is nothing to show that they held the theory of Congregationalism." In other words the jus divinum for which they contended was the liberty to live a Christian

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life without offence; to develop a Christian character according to the Divine word rather than by an outward conformity imposed with pains and penalties. As recently in Scandinavia, the forms and impositions of prevailing church life were adverse to spiritual power and growth; the living longed to be free, and found in Primitive Congregationalism "the liberty wherewith Christ made free."

Has that liberty been so attained by the various denominations to-day, as to render a distinct testimony such as Congregationalism is supposed to give unnecessary? I should be untrue to the principle thus far illustrated, that Congregationalism is life rather than polity, did I deny-or only with bated breath affirm-that Christian hearts may beat equally under surplice, chasuble, Genevagown, the simple garb of unpretending Presbyter; or that a church may gather under vaulted roof as well as within the humble conventicle. There are two noteworthy missionary societies existing, as thoroughly supported by Congregational means and instrumentality as any denominational society, which still retain their original undenominational character,—the London Missionary and the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Congregationalism, true to itself, is unsectarian; that characteristic is at once its justification, its strength, and its weakness. If its polity is a necessary outcome of its character, the character justifies the polity, not the polity the character. As of old, its voice to-day is, you can enforce neither uniformity nor orthodoxy by either law or creed; only as the outcome of living hearts, touched and united by the Spirit of Christ, can you have an uniformity and an orthodoxy that can claim the name of Christian. Is that testimony still needed? I shall endeavor to reply, and if in doing so I succeed in making manifest that there is still a ground for Congregationalism or Independency to occupy, I shall be entirely misrepresented by any construction of my words which makes invidious comparisons with other Christian bodies, or which would deny to me the right I cherish beyond any right of polity or prejudice, to take any man of Christlike character by the hand and call him without a "but" a brother in the Lord.

I was much interested once reading an article on the lessons to be derived from the Roman and Anglican churches. Speaking specially of the latter, its services were pointed out as an appealing to the element of worship in our nature, and certainly its attractions for the cultured on the one hand and for the very ignorant on the other, is not to be set wholly down to human depravity. "A man may smile, and smile and be a villain," yet a smile from a loving heart is priceless. A heartless service is rottenness, but shall

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we say the same of praise made vocal? Let it be allowed therefore that the Anglican liturgy witnesses to the seemliness of worship, and that in addition to the general Christian work performed, it stands distinctively forth as the exponent of public worship. Other organizations e.g. the Presbyterian, may represent definiteness of belief; the genius of the system is to sharply define, have belief decisively expressed; an ideal worthy of being aimed after, and whose absence would not be a blessing to the church militant. And thus we might pass in review the various sections of the Christian church (save those, and there are such, as owe their origin and continuance to the crank,) discovering in each a distinct testimony, a raison d'etat. It is important for Congregationalism to know its own distinctive mission.

Some time ago, driving through one of our fine farming districts, I was struck by the appearance of a fine maple tree at each of the corners of a plot on which the house was built, and within which the garden was planted. Three of them grew as it were in the open, a picture of one would have stood equally for the picture of all. They were alike symmetrical, luxuriant, free. At the corner where the fourth tree was, the carriage house had been built, and though the growth had been even more luxuriant than in the case of the other three, and the owner had with an eye to symmetry occasionally trimmed the branches, there was an onesidedness in the appearance of this tree which stood out in marked contrast with the free unrestrained symmetry of the others. The three grew unrestrained, the fourth was cramped. It makes all the difference in the world whether a man works out from his own consciousness a creed like unto that of his neighbor, or receives it as by the impress of another mind rigid'y moulding his own I confess that the practice common in many gardens of clipping evergreens into the conical shape never commended itself to my taste, the free beauty of the box and spruce cannot be even approached by the gardener's shears; there are some straggling scrubby natures however that are nothing without this artificial shaping. Clip them well. The forest finds room for all, and the world is made up of ever varying characters. Congregationalism professes to give a liberty beyond any other polity; its right to a denominational existence depends upon its being able to develop in that liberty, not scrubby stragging plants in the garden of the Lord, but vigorous symmetrical palm trees, flourishing in the courts of our God.

But these general considerations are mere platitudes unless they are applied to actual conditions of life, and if there is to be a distinctive work, it becomes necessary that the differentia be

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indicated. Again disavowing the right of any one to read invidious comparisons into my words, and asking pardon for burdening my illustrations with personal remembrances, I would essay a statement of facts. Independent, Puritan and Covenanter alike accepted the theology known as Calvinistic, and that not in any modified form, but as differentiated from its rival system Arminianism by the "five points" of the Synod of Dort. I am not concerned to-day with the scripturalness or non-scripturalness of that system. I was educated in it, and have breathed my religious life in its atmosphere, I at least ought to appreciate its consistency and its power, so do not expect from me any refutation of its dogmas You enter a school where one of the Calvinistic symbols is held as the rule of faith, subordinate it is true, and yet as a basis of fellowship, or at least of office bearing, and this confession is placed in your hands with the Scriptures, you are expected to read these Scriptures in its light. I am not saying this is an evil, on the other hand I look back to the exercise as one of strength and of keen intellectual enjoyment. Your thesis was before you, you hunted up the proof, and placed with something like a feeling of triumph the Q. E. D. at the end. There was also a ministration of life and experience therein. But there is another exercise, at least as potent for the practice of spiritual athletics in the mysteries of God:-Here friend is the Bible, in it are contained the dealings of God with a special people that His way may be known upon earth, together with the revelation of His purposes to the end that His saving health may come upon all nations. Here too are appliances of study, here too sympathizing teachers; work out for yourselves, under God's implored guidance, the truths which make wise unto Salvation. Live free in God's own sunlight, and develop like unto your brother, not under the clipping of theological shears, but by the power of that life which makes Christian by rendering Christlike.

To this it may be with force urged: are we then to be ever learning and never come to the knowledge of the truth? It is not necessary to be always verifying the Logarithm tables, or Newton's law of gravitation. And if the Nicene fathers rightly defined the Scriptural doctrine of the Trinity, why should it be necessary to traverse the same ground? At any rate give the formula, let him who has time verify, the worker may be content to accept in faith. The difference between scientific verification and theological is simply this,—once proved water is hydrogen and oxygen, and the formula stands for all time the statement of an universal fact. Theology, Gospel theology, must in its quickening power commend itself "to every man's conscience," I

can therefore no more verify for you than I can eat and digest for you. Religous truth must be personally apprehended, each for himself must receive and appropriate, therefore

"The living faith of the settlers old,
A dead profession their children may hold."

The formula called the Nicene creed, couched in language of theological controversy, designed to catch the Arian heretic, can never apply to the heart and conscience the quickening cleansing power of the work and spiritual presence of the Son of God. Therefore though "the great cloud of witnesses," "the traditions of the fathers" are not by any means to be despised, each heart for itself must prove all things, and apprehend in its own way the deep things of God.

To illustrate the difference in its application to formula of belief: In "His Majesty's Declaration" affixed to the "Thirty-Nine Articles" of the Established Church of England and Wales occur these words of authority: "No man hereafter shall either print or preach to draw the article aside any way, but shall submit to it in the plain and full meaning thereof."

Four years ago the National Council of Congregational churches in the United States appointed a committee to name a commission whose duty it should be to formulate a statement of what the Congregational churches in the U.S. generally believe and teach. A statement of doctrine, evangelical without being sectarian has been the result. The "articles" are to be submitted unto; the statement is the simple declaration of what is believed —the ground of fellowship being the revelation made by God in the Bible.

Some of our dudes, it is said, amputate the toe to avoid corns, a more reasonable way would be to avoid the pointed toe boot; however tastes differ.

Here then seems to me to be the distinctive ground of Congregationalism. It has faith in Christian life to work out its own symmetry, inviting neither amputation or corns, it leaves men free to work out their theology in the fear of God and in love of the brethren. It has no Calvinistic mesh to catch the Arminian, nor an Arminian fence to exclude the Calvinist; it is tolerant alike of a bishop's mitre and of a wide-awake hat; it has doctrines, for Christ taught; it imposes none because "taught of Christ" the Christlike must follow. But is not this an easy go-as-you-like kind of faith. Let us see: read Zech. ii, 1—5. Visions of future glory were being unfolded to Israel toiling midst foe and hard-ship in the rebuilding of temple and city. The man with measuring line goes forth to begin the plan, to see how great should be

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> "No pent-up Utica contracts our powers, The great the boundless continent is ours."

God's kingdom in heart experience, in outflowing sympathy, in righteousness, and in truth, is not to be contracted. "Jerusalem will remain as villages unwalled on account of men and cattle in her midst." Ah! but there is danger in this unwalled extension. Enemies may come in: the light thus diffused may depart. Courage timid heart, where is thy faith: "I will be to her—'tis the utterance of Jehovah—a wall of fire round about, this shall be your protection; and a glory in her midst." This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness shall be from me saith Jehovah; and there is no true Congregationalism where this circling fire and indwelling glory is not manifestly

present.

I am aware of the necessity of human thought and life that truths held must be in some sense formulated, and therefore that the cry against creeds is often meaningless. The mere statement of a man's belief is a creed; so also the basis on which fellowship is granted. In simple communication with brethren something must be said; dogma predicated. Nor does it avail to say our creed is the Bible, (though the admission is being freely made that the Bible is an orthodox book, i.e., that they who would reject Evangelical teachings must in some way do so against the Scriptures,) for when we answer what do the Scriptures teach, that answer be it ever so inclusive is exclusive also. For my part I would accept as the creed of an united Christendom what appears to me to have been an early song of belief; 1 Cor., xv, 3, 4. "Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, was buried, and hath been raised on the third day according to the Scriptures," where you will note not only the facts, but the qualifying clause which links the entire revelation contained in the Bible together, "according to the Scriptures." Hence I confess sympathy with the English Union in electing Edward White to the chairmanship, notwithstanding his view, honestly, reverently propounded on Life in Christ, not because he holds certain views, but because he is an acknowledged Christian man. I can say this freely because I have read White's "Life in Christ," its important parts with some care, and unhesitatingly express my conviction that "Conditional Immortality" is not a doctrine of the Bible. Thomas Binney, R. W. Dale, and Baldwin Brown, were not excluded Christian fellowship for decided views on eschatology not in full accord with the orthodoxy of the day. The evangelical church of Christ cannot let such men go. Not that the Union endorses the views by those men held, but the Christlike character of the men, for "Christ's love rebukes no home love, breaks no tie of kin apart. Better heresy in doctrine than heresy in heart." "According to the Scriptures" we must exclude, not from brotherhood, but from Christian fellowship, those who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh, and that he died for our sins and rose again according to the Scriptures. To go further would be to forsake scriptural christianity, yet in some such catholic direction as this true Christian union is I believe ultimately to be found, and I know of no denominational body more free to work this problem of Christian fellowship out on pure New Testament

lines than the body denominated Congregational. I have indicated an inclusiveness which may be misinterpreted. E. g. Thomas Binney accepted what is known as "Conditional immortality," but Thomas Binney preached Christ and not conditional immortality. If any man believed it to be his special mission to preach an eschatology or an atonement contrary to the received orthodoxy of the day, I unhesitatingly say he should not do so within orthodox lines. Let him like John the forerunner utter his voice in the desert, but like John he must venture his head if he has the courage of his convictions. A man who reverently accepts Christ and preaches Him, I would not exclude because his honest interpretation of God's word leads him humbly where Dale and Binney stand. I base my fellowship on faith in Christ, not on acceptance of a formula, which to me with mental reservations may mean one thing, to my brother another. The position open for Congregationalism to occupy, and to occupy in strict accord with its traditions and fundamental principles, is the broad ground of evangelical christianity the one avowed unsectarian denomination. How are we to occupy it? To say "depend upon, wait for, the pouring out of the Spirit," is to propound at the same time the grandest, most vital truth the christian church can possess—and the veriest platitude if the words allow us to stand at ease. All Christendom waits for the outpouring—we equally with the rest. "Power from on high" may our faith be large enough to receive it.

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But its manifestation. Our College must be a channel through which we may look for this power to flow. I am far from desiring to see repeated the mistake of the Scottish churches, viz: that unless a man had attended a school of philosophy and been duly licensed, a recognized pulpit was not to be opened unto him. A college be it ever so well established and maintained can no more make an effective minister of the New Testament than an establishment of agricultural implements can manufacture a farm or cause grain to flourish in a sandy waste; but given the man, and a well equipped college can direct, culture, endow, open up veins of spiritual gold, broaden the prospect so that sympathies enlarge, give judicial fairness, and furnish a workman with valuable tools for work.

Ecclesiasticism has made it the minister's prerogative to baptize, preside at the Lord's table, pronounce the benediction, with a multitude of other et ceteras. "Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel," was Paul's indignant declaration as men exalted the rite into the life and divided on a name. The New Testament, and we may add the apostolic, church of history made little beyond "decency and order" of formal consecration and ordinance, but "lay hands hastily on no man" are words of Divine direction, certainly not on "a novice, i.e. one newly come to the faith' lest being puffed up he fall into the condemnation of the devil." What care I for authority to pour water upon a child's face, to handle platter and cup, to lift up hands and say the Lord bless you, compared with the prerogative to preach the word, and to authoritatively expound the unsearchable riches of Christ? Our college is designed pre-eminently to fit men not to be ecclesiastics but to teach, and that with no contracted sympathy, but on a plane permitting fellowship with all who call Jesus Lord. Permit me to indicate its special line, distinguishing it denominationally. Each denominational college has a denominational work. May I indulge the paradox that the denominational work of ours is undenominational? Systems of theology have their value, and I believe should be studied, but why give Calvin's Institutes a place of special pre-eminence, or Arminius' or Watson's? In other words, what confessedly good men have held, what has given nerve to righteousness in the world, is worthy of our sympathy and study, but a broader Evangelical truth underlies them all even as "the church of God which was at Corinth" had deeper foundations, wider bounds, than the sects which monopolized names, excluding brethren. That broader teaching we find in the records of Christ's life and doctrine, and in the Scriptures which testify of Him. And I am persuaded that in a correct exegesis of the text,

with the light of the vast aids this critical age affords, is to be found the true harmonizing of the differences which divide the Christian churches. So long as Scripture is expounded by a system, so long systems antagonize; when we can use systems— Christian or otherwise, to put us in general sympathy with human kind—and bring this knowledge simply to Jesus' feet for his direction, we are in a fair way to learn what that systematic theology is-if systematic it be-which is "broad as the love of God, and narrow as his righteousness." It has been written that there are in the theology of a period the permanent and the transitory elements; the sceptics deny the former, dogmatists the latter. We may be truly kept from scepticism by holding fast the revelations God has given us in the scriptures of truth; from intolerant dogmatism by our freedom from the authoritative bands of an interpreting system. Free to read, not free to reject the revealed will of God, we bring a spirit of willing reverence into our obedience; thus knowing the truth, the truth doth make us free indeed. But a college erected to expound a system cannot occupy this position, one free to treat with reverent boldness can. Such a college a Congregational college may be; is it an Utopian dream to see in our own that ideal in process of being realized? and to find in men thus equipped a band of primitive Christian workers filled with zeal and knowledge whose influence will be so marked upon the character of this Dominion that the coming generation will rise to call us blessed?

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I would venture a few words on politics. The Congregational churches of England by force of circumstances are liberal, and their influence is felt to be great in the politics of the country. I should deeply deprecate in Canada the use of the pulpit on any partizan question of the day, and I have the impression that our English brethren would have more spiritual power were they less decidedly politicians. But there are questions regarding civil righteousness and individual liberty which we should not evade. There are the righteous adjustments of labour and capital of land relations, the questions of sanitary and of temperance reform, the integrity of the home, and the honest administration of public affairs. Such questions are deeper than party issues, and should be met by the prophets of the New Testament as by the prophets of the Old. If unto Cæsar are to be rendered the things that are Cæsar's, we must know what things are his, that we may rightly render unto God the things that are God's. I know this requires careful handling, but if we use our liberty wisely, with a broad spirit of Christian catholicity, we shall be fulfilling part of our mission, furthering the Gospel which gives peace on earth and

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untrammelled liberty—we ought.

I would say a word on organization. For mere forms let graceless bigots fight, their presence or their absence is to me of little moment so long as we have the visible manifestations of sympathy and oneness. This I would insist upon, some means of expressing mutual confidence and regard, for isolation is not independency, Congregationalism is mindful of the great congregation. It is not an expression of mutual regard e. g. for a church to say "the settlement of our pastor is a matter that concerns ourselves." It does concern "ourselves" and a great deal more if brotherhood is to be maintained. We gain confidence from others in proportion to the confidence we place in those others. Hence the spirit of what is known as the council system should be made manifest. "I care for nobody" begets the "nobody cares for me." We need intercommunion, the more the better; fraternity manifested otherwise than by a mere name. Organization in this direction we must have, or everybody's business becomes no one's and the work is not done.

I should in this connection like to hurl a stone against a prevalent sentiment that a principle of Congregational churches is "the majority must rule." That was precisely what the early Independents opposed. A majority would have imposed vestments, liturgy, conformity; Nay, said those sturdy champions for liberty, we may be a minority, but the minority has right to liberty. The fact is Congregational churches should not rule but consult, and in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred the end is peacefully reached. Let the result be made to depend upon the counting of hands and you invite canvassing, caucusing, partyism, and all the bitternesses of political strife. Conversing recently with a minister of another denomination regarding denominational characteristics, he said "the best working members in my church are Congregationalists," and as one looks here and there through the various sections of the church (putting aside the case of those who seek church fellowship for "society's" sake,) we see constantly among those most truly active therein, men and women, whose inspiration was received within the fellowship called Congregational. Enquire why they are found in another fold, and you will learn that in one of those waves of sentiment or will which occasionally sweep over communities a majority, because they were a majority, claimed the right to have their own way, and that in such a manner as compelled a minority that had a spark of self respect to find another fellowship and field. I am not pleading for minority

rule, but for that spirit which leads an assembly to carry its resolutions by moral strength and Christian brotherhood, not by dint of superior numbers. In the practical working out of a church's polity, no greater mistake can be clung to than the settlement of difficult questions by the counting of hands. In a true Independent church, Love rules, all else is sounding brass and clanging cymbal.

"There is a comfort in the strength of love; "Twill make a thing endurable, which else

"Would break the heart."

This truth suggests another:—Our great dramatist makes one of his characters say, "He that steals my purse steals trash,—but he that takes from me my good name-leaves me poor indeed." Understand by "name" the correct designation of character, and emphatically we say, rob Congregationalism thereof, and it is poor indeed. Sacerdotalism may retain the aroma of consecration where character is gone; dogmatism may insist upon "the form of sound words" where life is extinct; the organization and the creed still remain; under both the crowd may gather, the temple may be full, and with the enthusiasm of the Ephesian mob the creed may be repeated with deafening clamour; let Independency be robbed of its character and its power is gone, its work done. Let us remember this, we cannot be judged merely by our statistical tables. Numbers and financial strength are at present on the side of the world with its vanities and lusts. The New York Hour, a society paper, in a recent issue writes, "This is a trivial age; men are not in earnest in any of the affairs of life. Culture is a pretense, art a humbug. Learning is despised. Nobody wants truth or accuracy except a few old fashioned folks. If people are amused they are satisfied." There is some truth in this, the tone of our public press as it panders to the prevailing taste in order "to make it pay" manifests the same. If the end of Congregationalism is to make it pay then it must pander also, only the devil will outbid it eventually in the world's great auction mart. If its work is to witness to the power of free Christian life, it must do so sometimes at least, as it nobly has done in years gone by, in derision, poverty and pain It will win at last. As I take this to be the mission, any mere pandering to the "groundlings" is to hinder the work, rob the denomination of its good name and leave it poor indeed. We need to be rich in intelligence, moral strength and love, we cannot afford to court the world's smile, having hid from us the light of the Father's countenance.

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I conclude. In this a crisis of the denomination's history, when the question is being continually raised "what is Congregationalism, and its specific work," I thought it well to indicate at some length what seems to me to be its distinct line of operation. Believing too that unity of purpose gives unity of spirit, I have urged that this purpose be distinctly understood and followed. If the broad principles of an apostolic Christianity are worthy of being maintained, as I verily believe they are, Congregationalism has yet a mission before it. Are we the men to carry it on? By striving to answer practically that question we shall best preserve our liberty, and manifest our right to live. We can then truly boast of being Catholic without being Papal; Episcopal not prelatical; Unitarian but not Socinian; Baptists, but not sectaries on a mere rite; Congregational, Independent, Free, yet not using liberty as a cloke; a faithful brotherhood, whose union is not ephemeral, but among those unseen eternals that endure when forms and foibles are passed forever away.

"Our hearts confess the saints elect,
Who, twain in faith, in love agree,
We melt not in an acid sect
The Christian pearl of charity."

We have all sung "Thou O Christ art all I want.' In those words Charles Wesley would appear to have anticipated the cry of the Christian world to-day. If there is one more earnest demand on the part of the lay element in our churches, it is—as Dr. Fairbairn has lately expressed it—Let us "return to Christ the personal, the historical, the real," and the church that most successfully brings the present generation into direct contact with the Prophet of Nazareth as He was and is in his native glory, is the church that will be doing the greatest work for God in this present generation. The world has grown weary of systems, and longs for its Saviour. Since upon the midnight clear the angels sang their song of "Peace," the world ecclesiastical as well as political has suffered "two thousand years of wrong," for "man at war with man hears not the love song which they sang," and weary hearts amid earth's Babel sounds, waiting for the promised day impatiently cry

"Oh! hush the noise ye men of strife, and hear the angels sing."

This age is fruitful in the coining of new words, we have heliocentric, geocentric, to express a true as against a false astronomical system, and we have left far behind the day when this little earth was viewed as the centre of the great universe of God; we now

see the word Christocentric, and therein is expressed the only new theology worth pursuing in contrast with the old, and which we are free to pursue—not Calvinocentric, Episcopocentric, Caledoniocentric,—no not even Americocentric, but Christocentric, where Christ is all and in all. Let this practically be the keynote of our denominationalism spoken in college and missions, in fellowship and work, and we can cheerfully sing

"The promised time is hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the ever circling years
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its undimmed splendor fling,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing."

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PART II.

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PLACE OF MEETING:

Congregational Church, Ottawa, June 9th, 1886.

PREACHERS:

ANNUAL SERMON.

REV. J. R. BLACK, B.A., Garafraxa; alternate, REV. E. M. HILL, M.A., Montreal.

SUNDAY MORNING SERMON.

Rev. S. N. Jackson, M.D., Kingston; alternate, Rev. A. F. Mc-Gregor, B.A., Toronto.

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REV. JOHN MORTON, Hamilton.

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1. 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 or received at a general meeting.

III. That this Union is founded on a full recognition of the distinctive principles 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 interest of the associated churches. 3. To establish a fraternal correspondence with smaller 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 meetings 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 at any annual meeting, provided that notice of such alterations has been given at the meeting next preceding.

STANDING RULES.

1. Applications for admission to the Union, whether by churches or ministers should be made in writing; and after having been read to the Union shall be referred to a standing committee on membership. Churches so applying shall present the written recommendation of three members of the Union. Ministers bearing regular letters of dismissal from a kindred Congregational organization, and those who furnish evidence of having completed a course of study in the Congregational College of British North America, and having been ordained to the ministry, may be received at once on these grounds. Other ministers shall be required to bring proof of (1) their membership in a Congregational church; (2) their ordination to the ministry; (3) if they have come from any other denomination, their good standing therein; and they shall satisfy the membership committee in relation to their literary acquirements, and their doctrinal and ecclesiastical views; (4) should the membership committee be satisfied on these points, and recommend the applicant for membership, the recommendation shall be filed with the secretary, and the

application and recommendation shall then lie over until the next annual meeting, when a two-thirds vote of the members present shall be requisite for admission into membership.

2. The Union shall meet annually on the Wednesday after the first Sabbath in June, at 7:30 p.m., when the annual sermon will be delivered.

3. The Union shall then be organized under the presidency of the chairman, or, failing him, a chairman pro tem., to be chosen by the Union; by the election of minute secretaries and reporters, the calling of the roll, the appointment of standing committees on business, membership, nomination and finance, on nomination by the committee of the Union.

4. On Thursday morning, immediately after the devotional exercises, the chairman's address shall be delivered, and the roll shall be called, and the chairman for the next year shall be elected by ballot without nomination. For this purpose the ballot papers shall be sent by the statistical secretary to every member of the Union and every church connected with it, along with the blanks for statistical returns, to be handed in on Thursday morning on entering the place where the Union is held, which ballots shall be counted by scrutineers appointed by the Union committee for the purpose.

5. The committee of the Union shall then present their annual report.6. The meetings shall be daily opened and closed with prayer; the morn-

ing 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.

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 Monday evening, during the sitting 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, the finance committee, after providing for other necessary expenses, shall pay, in full, if possible, the travelling fares of (1) ministerial members who are pastors or members of Congregational churches within the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec; and (2) one delegate from each church contributing not less than the sum of five dollars to its funds; or if unable to pay in full, shall deduct from the claim of each, such equal amount as may be found necessary; such payment not to be made until after the final adjournment, except with leave of the Union.

13. The delegates from the Union to corresponding bodies, who may fail to fulfil their appointment by personal attendance, shall address these bodies by letter, communicating in substance such information and sentiments as

they would furnish if present at their annual convocations.

14. All supplies of pulpits required during the Sunday in which the Union is in session, which are not otherwise provided for, shall be filled by the nomination committee in connection with the pastor of the church where the Union is held, and a copy of such appointments shall be posted on the door of the church where the Union is assembled.

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RESOLUTIONS AND DECLARATION OF FAITH.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at the annual meetings, held in Guelph, June, 1877, and London, Ont., June, 1878.

In reference to the doctrinal statement, it should be distinctly understood that it has been adopted by the Union, neither as a creed to be subscribed, nor as a scientific document by which the belief of the churches is minutely declared.

It has been intentionally drawn up in simple language, so that the several members of our churches may refer to it, as a brief statement of what is generally believed by those connected with the Congregational denomination in Canada. Its cordial and unanimous adoption gave a striking and practical illustration of the unity of opinion on the cardinal doctrines of the Christian faith, which exists so largely in the body.

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"Forasmuch as our denominational attitude toward modern religious thought may, from the freedom of our ecclesiastical polity, be unintentionally misapprehended, we hereby affirm our continued adhesion to the historical principles of our body, and declare our belief:

"1. That human formulations of dogma, whether in the form of written creeds or articles of religion, are neither conducive to unity of faith, nor preventive of error, and that the Holy Scriptures alone are the true standard of religious belief.

"2. That as the Bible is the inspired revelation of the Divine mind and will, to the diligent and prayerful student light may be expected to break from its pages. Nevertheless, from its devout study for ages by the best and wisest men, such light, while it may secure a richer development of its fundamental truths, will certainly never mar nor displace them.

"3. That as a denomination we are unwilling to accept the theology of any man or class of men as authoritative; nevertheless on all material points we are still in general accord with the cardinal doctrines held by the fathers of Congregationalism, holding such views, not because they held them, but because, like them, we find them in the Word of God.

"4. That, whilst we claim, we concede the free exercise of private judgment on all matters coming within the legitimate range of reason; hence every brother must be held responsible for his own distinct opinions without compromising the opinions of his brethren. Nevertheless we rejoice in the substantial doctrinal harmony which exists amongst us."

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DOCTRINAL STATEMENT.

The Congregational Churches of Canada hold—

1. That the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the inspired records of God's mind and will.

2. That there is one God, infinite in His nature and perfections, the Creator and Governor of the universe.

3. That the Father is Divine, that the Son is Divine, and that the Holy Spirit is Divine; Divine in the sense that they are one God.

4. That the Son, as the Divine Word, was in the beginning with God and was God, but that to redeem us from sin and death, in the fulness of the times, He took upon Him our very nature, and in our nature suffered even unto death.

5. That by the Holy Spirit the soul is born again and sanctified.

6. That man was originally created in the divine image, but through disobedience to the command of God fell from his first estate and involved himself in ruin.

7. That salvation has been secured through the absolute righteousness and atoning death of the Lord Jesus; that through faith in Him alone can we be saved, and that a true faith will ever be followed by holiness of life.

8. That the Lord Jesus will come again to judge the quick and dead; and at the last day there will be a general resurrection; that after the judgment those who are approved of Christ shall enter on a life of everlasting blessedness, but that those who are condemned shall receive the due wages of sin, everlasting punishment.

9. That there is one Holy Catholic Church, which comprehends all, in all climes and ages, who truly believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

10. That each local church should be constituted and governed by the revealed will of the Divine Head, our Lord Jesus Christ.

11. That each local church should be composed exclusively of those who give credible evidence of their having become "new creatures in Christ Jesus;" that it should be complete in itself; independent of all ecclesiastical authority; that it should exercise the right of receiving its own members; of maintaining its own discipline; of appointing its own officers; in a word of conducting its own affairs, in harmony with the principles of the New Testament.

. 12. That towards sister churches, the attitude of the local church should be that of a co-equal, with the free exercise of Christian sympathy, mutual co-operation, and, if needful, of respectful remonstrance, yet without authoritative interference or control.

13. That each local church should have its own bishop or bishops, and its deacons. The office of the bishop should include the preaching of the Word, and the spiritual oversight and rule of the church—the bishop ruling, not as a lord over God's heritage, but as the servant of Christ. The work of the deacons should primarily be the care of the poor of the church; but they may be a board of consultation for the bishop, and when desirable an executive for the temporalities of the church.

14. That the Lord's Supper should be administered as often as prescribed by the church.

15. That baptism should be administered to infants; and to adults not previously baptized, on the profession of their faith, in both cases by the application of water to the subject.

16. That as the Congregational Union is neither a church nor a church court, connection with it, however, in many respects highly desirable, is nevertheless purely voluntary, and should be sought for mutual benefit and for the promotion of the general interests of the denomination; it being clearly and distinctly understood that such connection is neither requisite to the completeness of a church, nor for co-operation in denominational work.

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RESOLUTIONS IN REFERENCE TO COUNCILS.

Adopted at the Annual Meeting of the Union in Montreal, June, 1876, and re-affirmed in 1880 and 1882.

- 1. That previous to the formation of a new church of our order, a council of pastors and delegates of sister churches should be called by the parties desiring to be so formed into such a church, and that statements and documents relating to the proposed organization should be presented to the Council thus formed, and its advice in the matter sought.
- 2. That in the ordination, recognition or installation of pastors, and in the setting apart of evangelists in or among our churches, the church over whom the pastor is to be placed, or of which the evangelist is a member, should call a Council, before whom should be laid the call of the church, and the credentials of the pastor elect, or the evangelist, as the case may be, and the advice of the Council sought in relation thereto.
- 3. That a Council consists of the representatives of churches, not individuals, and it is expedient that each church consulted should be represented by its pastor and a delegate, and should embrace, though not exclusively, the sister Congregational churches contiguous to the church or people seeking advice.

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ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

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46	9-14,	1880	Montreal	Dr. Stevenson.	Do	Do	H. Pedley, B.A. A. F. McGregor	H. D. Powis	Prin. Grant	R. W. Wallace.	J. B. Silcox.
66	8-13,	1881	Toronto	S.N.Jackson MD	Do	Do	Jas. Griffith A.L. McFadyen	J. L. Forster [B.C.L.	J. Wood	Z. Eddy, D.D	Jas. Roy, M.A
46	7-12,	1882	Brantford	George Hague.	Do	Do.	J. B. Saer, B.A.	J. Burton, B.D.	H. D. Hunter	Dr. Stevenson.	B. W. Day.
44	6-11,	1883	London	C. Duff, M.A	W. W. Smith	Do	D.McGregor,BA C. Pedley, B.A.	William Hay	J. B. Silcox	Dr. Stevenson.	
66	4- 9,	1884	Montreal	J. G. Sanderson.	Do	" Do	W. H. Way	W. Wetherald	B. A.	Dr. Dexter	W. H. Allwort
4.6	3- 8,	1885	Hamilton	Jno. Burton, B.D	Hugh Pedley, E.A	G.Robert-	E. M. Hill, B.D. Wm. Toms, Jr	H. Pedley, B.A	Henry Hughes	Dr. Stevenson	H. Wilkes, D.

INGS Sabbath Preachers. MORNING. EVENING. M. Fenwick. D. Powis..... J. Sherrill... ONTARIO A. Robertson... H. Wilke W. F. Clarke... H. Wilkes, D.D. E. Ebbs. H. Wilkes, D.D. Essayists

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MINUTES OF THE UNION.

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec held its first session in the Congregational Church, Hamilton, June 10th, 1885, at 8 p.m. The Rev. Hugh Pedley, B.A., of Cobourg, preached the Union sermon from Acts, i, 8: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." The Revs. J. Burton, B.D., Chairman of the Union, Dr. Stevenson and H. D. Hunter, took part in the devotional services.

At the close of the service the Union assembled for the transaction of business; the Rev. J. Burton, B.D., Chairman, presiding. The Union Committee presented the following recommendations as to the election of Chairman.

1st. That this Union interprets Sanding Rule No. 4 to mean that only ministers and delegates present shall have the right to cast their ballots

2nd. That in order to an election there must be a majority of the votes cast.

3rd. That in case there be no election at the first ballot, the names of the three highest candidates be declared and the balloting be further proceeded with.

4th. That the Rev. Dr. Stevenson and Mr. H. H. Cox be appointed scrutineers, and that the Rev. W. H. Warriner collect the ballots.

5th. That the ballot for Chairman be taken immediately at the close of the Chairman's address.

Also that the following be the standing committees and officers for this session:

Business—Revs. H. D. Hunter (Convener), Dr. Cornish, R. K. Black, Wm. Hay, D. McGregor, Messrs. McCartney, Goldie, Alexander.

Nomination—Revs. J. G. Sanderson (Convener), J. Morton, C. S. Pedley, W. H. Allworth, Messrs. Jarvis, G. E. Adams.

Membership—Revs. J. Wood (Convener), Dr. Stevenson, D. McCallum, C. E. Gordon-Smith, Messrs. John Climie, D. D. Hay.

Finance-Messrs. John M. M. Duff (Convener), W. R. Climie, Geo. Pim, H. H. Cox, Jas. Goldie.

Reporting-Toronto Globe, Rev. E.D. Silcox; Toronto Mail, Rev. A. F. Mc-Gregor.

Minute Secretaries—Rev. E. M. Hill, B.A. and Wm. Toms.

Report received and on motion adopted.

The Chairman then appointed Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith to conduct the services of the devotional hour Thursday morning; and the meeting adjourned after the benediction was pronunced by Rev. Dr. Burns, to assemble at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

THURSDAY morning, June 11th.

10 a.m. After an hour devoted to prayer, which was conducted by the Rev. C. Gordon-Smith, the Union re-assembled for the transaction of business, Chairman presiding. The minutes of the former meeting were read and confirmed. Rev. Dr. Burns was on motion requested to sit as a corresponding member. The Rev. John Burton, the Chairman of the Union, then delivered the annual address, entitled: "Congregational Polity and Work." From whence does it come, why it is here, to what it is tending.

The following is the roll of those present:

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Allworth, W. H., Southwold, Ont. Black, R. K., Granby, Que. Black, J. R., B.A., Garafraxa. Bolton, E. C., Wiarton, Ont. Burton, J., B. D., Toronto, Ont. Cornish, Geo., LL.D., Montreal, Que. Pedley, H., B.A., Cobourg, Ont. Day, B. W., Lanark, Ont. Duff, Charles, M.A., Toronto, Ont. Fuller, Geo., Brantford, Ont. Gordon-Smith, C. E., Stratford, Ont. Salmon, John, B.A., Toronto, Ont. Gunner, Frederick, M.D., Listowel, O. Sanderson, J. G., Danville, Que. Hall, Thomas, Kingston, Ont. Hay, Robert, Warwick, Ont. Hay, Wm., Scotland, Ont. Hill, E. M., B.D., Montreal, Que. Hindley, J. I., M.A., Barrie, Ont. Hughes, Henry, Paris, Ont. Hunter, H. D., London, Ont. Jackson, S. N., M.D., Kingston, Ont. Wood, John, Ottawa, Ont. Macallum, D., St. Elmo, Ont. MacColl, E.C.W., M.A., Middleville, O.

McFadyen, Allen L., B.A., Kingston, O. McGill, A., M.A., Ryckman's Cor., O. McGregor, Arch. F., B.A., Toronto, O. McGregor, Duncan, M.A., Guelph, O. Morton, J., Hamilton, Ont. Pedley, C. S., New Durham, Ont. Parkis, G., Waterville, Que. Robertson, Geo., B.A., Melbourne, Q. Silcox, E. D., Embro, Ont. Silcox, J. B., Winnipeg, Man. Skinner, Geo., Eaton, Que. Stevenson, J. F., D.D., Montreal, Q. Walker, W., French Bay, Ont. Warriner, W.H., B.D., Bowmanville, O. Wetherald, W., St. Catharines, Ont. Wright, J. C., Edgar, Ont.

DELEGATES.

Alton, J.J. McLellan, J.K. Unsworth. Howick, Alex. McLeod. Barrie, Charles Morris, J. Villiers. Bowmanville, W. R. Climie. Burford, H. H. Cox, T. H. Ross. S. Caledon, Rev. A.W. Richardson. Cobourg, Wm. Toms, jr. Cold Springs, Jas. Davidson. Douglas, R. Bichan, R. Y. Blythe. Eaton, Robert Armstrong. Forest, Wm. Scott. Fergus, G. S. Armstrong. Garafraxa 1st, Peter S. Martin. Georgetown, Francis Ruddell, J. Barber. Guelph, J. Goldie, Charles Grundy. Hamilton, John Brown, Jas. Bale.

Hawkesbury, W. S. Johnstone. Kincardine, John Kennedy, John Sheane. Kingston 1st, Thomas Savage. Kingston 2nd, Wm. Clyde, B.A. Listowel, John Climie, Peter Campbell. London, George James. Martintown, John A. McCallum. Montreal, Calvary, L. E. Rivard. Montreal, Emmanuel, Geo. Hague, Jno M. M. Duff. New Durham, James Yates. Oro, John Shannon, Thos Henderson. R

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Ottawa, J. Jarvis. Paris, P. Buckley, Peter Adams. Speedside, T. S. Armstrong, W. S. Toronto, Western, Wm. McDonald.

Armstrong. Stratford, Rev. G. A.Jamieson, D.D. Hay.

Tilbury, J. O. Hart.

Toronto, Bond-st., Rev. Stephen King, Wroxeter, Alex. McLeod. Wm. McCartney.

Toronto, Zion, George Pim, Alfred Wingham, R. Currie, J. Ritchie. Howell.

Toronto, Northern, H. J. Clarke, Wm. Revell.

Toronto, Riverside, F. J. Otter, E. Mounstephen.

Turnbury, D. Gemmell.

Watford, D. Eccles.

Yorkville, J. Wightman, G. Scott.

A suggestion was made by Rev. J. Salmon that the Business Committee provide a time for discussing the Chairman's address. Dr. Stevenson spoke pressing the suggestion.

Rev. Dr. Burns (Methodist,) was introduced, and spoke a few words, having previously been received as an honorary member. He tendered an invitation to the Union to attend a reception at the Ladies' College on Friday evening.

An invitation was received from the Hamilton Fire Brigade to witness a review prepared especially for the Union.

At the request of the Hamilton Evening Times, James W. Pedley was appointed reporter for that paper.

A notice of motion was presented from Mr. Alfred Howell, delegate of Zion Church, Toronto, to petition the Legislature of the Province of Ontario, for an Act providing a statutory model Trust Deed with short Form under which lands may be acquired and held by Congregational Churches in this Province; and providing that individual churches may, if desirous of doing so, bring lands now held for use under the operation of such Act, with such other provisions as may be considered proper.

Applications for dismission from the nion were received from Rev. W. Stacey, Rev. R. Brown and Rev. J. Brown. Referred to Membership Committee.

Applications for membership in the Union were received from Rev. A. W. Richardson, Rev. W. H. N. Shannon and Rev. G. A. Jamieson. Referred to Membership Committee.

Invitation was received to attend a social of the Congregational Church, Hamilton, and was accepted.

Invitations were received from Bond-st Church, Toronto, inviting the Union to hold its next meeting there, also from the Ottawa church to the same effect; both referred to the Nomination Committee.

The balloting for Chairman for 1886 was then proceeded with, and while the ballots were being counted, the following motion

was presented by H. J. Clark, and on motion referred to Business Committee, to appoint a time for its discussion:

That this Union, composed of representatives, ministerial and lay, of the Congregational Churches of Ontario and Quebec, has heard with deep regret of the amendments introduced into the Scott Act by the Senate of the Dominion.

This Union most respectfully petitions the House of Commons not to concur in these amendments, as they involve a serious breach of faith with those constituencies which have voted upon the Act as it now stands, and by majorities exceeding in the aggregate Fifty Thousand have testified their approval of its provisions, while these amendments would practically nullify the Act, and rob the electors of the results of the exercise of their franchise; further, this Union finds that the experience of places where the sale of beer especially has been encouraged, shows that drunkenness, brutality and immorality have greatly increased, and this Union believes that any attempt to foster the sale in this Domin'on would be followed by like lamentable results.

The scrutineers reported that the three names receiving the highest numbers of votes for Chairman for 1886, were the Revs. D. McGregor, B.A., H. D. Hunter and J. Morton, no one of whom had received sufficient votes for his election. A second ballot was then taken up with the same result. The hour for adjournment having arrived, and no election having been made, it was moved by the Rev. J. Wood and seconded by Rev. E. D. Silcox, and carried—

That standing rule No. 4 be suspended, and the election of Chairman be the first item of business for Friday morning.

Rev. J Morton pronounced the benediction, and the Union adjourned until Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY morning, June 12th, 1885.

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After an hour of devotion conducted by Rev. G. Fuller, the Union reassembled at 10 a.m. The minutes of the previous session were read and confirmed.

The Rev. H. D. Hunter then presented the report of Business Committee, giving order of business for day.

On motion the Rev. Messrs. Empson Gay, Dr. Hunter, J.W. Goldsmith of St. John Church, and W. Carson of Centennary Church, of Hamilton, were invited to sit with the Union as corresponding members.

An application was read from Rev. H. A. McIntyre, for membership in the Union; also one from the Rev. J. B. Saer, for dismissal: both were on motion referred to the membership committee.

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memor disRev. J. Wood presented report of Membership Committee, recommending that the Rev. A. W. Richardson, of South Caledon, Ont., Rev. W. H. N. Shannon of Forest, Ont., and Rev. G. A. Jamieson, residing at Stratford, Ont., be received into membership of this Union; and that letters of dismissal be granted (1) Rev. John Brown, of Nelson, Man., (2) Rev. R. Brown, of Deloraine, Man., to the Presbyterian Church of Canada; (3) Rev. W. Stacey, now of Street, Somersetshire, England, formerly of Belleville, Ont.

On motion, Rev. W. Ewing, of Fargo, Dak., and Rev. F. Hastings, of London, Eng., were invited to sit as corresponding members of this Union.

The third ballot for Chairman was then taken up, and declared indefinite. Motion made and duly seconded and carried that

The interpretation of Standing Rule No. 4 be suspended, and the name which has the lowest number of votes of the three be dropped. Rev. J. Morton's name was then dropped. A fourth ballot was proceeded with, and resulted in the election of Rev. D. McGregor, M.A., as Chairman of the Union for 1886.

The annual report of the Union Committee was presented, and on motion received, and considered *seriatim* and then adopted with the exception of certain points referred to the Business Committee.

The following is the report as finally adopted:

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

After a lapse of ten years we are glad to meet once more in the fair city of Hamilton, and though saddened at the recollection of the changes that have taken place since our last meeting here, and especially at the thought that he who was at that time pastor of the church is no longer with us, we congratulate the church on the harmony and prosperity it enjoys under its present beloved pastor, Rev. Jno. Morton. During the year just closed there have been some gaps made in our ranks. One honored minister, the Rev. Edward Ebbs, has been removed from us, and together with his loss we have to deplore that of several of our brethren of the diaconate. In the death of such men as Mr. Edward Beckett and Mr. Robert Thompson, we lose from our Union tamiliar faces, and from our denomination faithful friends.

The past year though unmarked by any unusual event in our church life, has been one of harmony and steady work. Some new churches have sprung up, and there has been a general advance all along the line. A most encouraging feature in our outlook is the new life which is come to our College since the opening of the new building in Montreal. We trust that in these days, when the educational question is so much to the front in both church and state, we, in harmony with our traditions and our faith, may occupy an advanced and honorable position.

It would not be fitting in this report if no reference should be made to certain matters which have recently been agitating the public mind. We have to deplore the fact that after years of unbroken peace our country has been of late the scene of civil strife and bloodshed. We cannot, however, forbear expressing our profound satisfaction at the readiness with which our citizen soldiers responded to the call to arms, and the splendid courage they have shown upon the field of battle. We rejoice at the success which has crowned their arms, and trust that ere long peace shall be completely restored to our land; nor can we in this connection forbear to express our profound sorrow at the loss of so many brave and faithful men, who with true British heroism fell at their post in defence of their country and homes; and we most earnestly pray that to the families of all such there may be afforded now and always the grace, comfort and consolation of our blessed Lord.

Though it is probable that special resolutions on the subject will be introduced, we venture to take this opportunity of expressing our regret at the action recently taken by the Senate in reference to the Scott Act. We feel sorry that the body in which the Act originated should have led off in the attempt to rob it of its efficiency. We hope that the action of the Upper House will not be sustained by the representatives of the people, and that a fair and full trial shall be given to this effort to purge the land from the evils of intemperance.

The resolution passed at the last session of the Union in reference to the holding of a General Council of Congregational Churches was transmitted to the Secretary of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, and we are pleased to learn that that body decided to issue a circular letter to the various Congregational Unions and Associations throughout the world in order to test the feeling in regard to this matter.

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In the interest of those who at an annual meeting have the task of providing billets for delegates to the Union, we would urge upon all ministers and delegates the duty of promptly sending in their names in order to receive billets. We would also ask them to notify those who entertain them, and in case of failure to come, to send due notice to the Secretary of the church. Through neglect in this matter, great inconvenience is caused and serious prejudice is created against the whole system of billeting.

The resolutions of condolence to the Queen, and of congratulation to the Governor-Ge, eral, were duly sent and suitably acknowledged.

Your Committee beg to make the following recommendations:

1st, That the attention of the Union be again called to certain matters that were introduced last year, viz: The advisability of adopting the statement of belief lately prepared by a committee of the American brethren, and also the question of a Tuesday session of the Union.

2nd, That the Minutes of the Union shall be engrossed in a book regularly kept for the purpose, and shall be signed by the Chairman and Secretary.

3rd, That inasmuch as it was last year resolved to hold an Annual Conference on the State of Religion, the Chairman and Secretary of the Union together with the Pastor of the Hamilton Church, shall be a committee to make suitable arrangements for holding such a Conference next year.

4th, That in the future a committee composed of the Secretary of the Union and the pastor of the church where the Union is held, be empowered to make all necessary arrangements for the conduct of the morning devotional services of the Union.

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The Rev. J. G. Sanderson presented the report of the Nomination Committee, assigning the preachers for Sunday, June 14th. Report received.

The resolution relating to the Scott Act, and of which notice had been given on Thursday morning, moved by H. J. Clarke, and seconded by Rev. Geo. Purkis, was after a very earnest and general discussion, carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Alf. Howell, and seconded by Mr. Geo. Pim,

That a petition be presented to the Legislature of Ontario at its next session for an Act providing a statutory form of model Trust Deed with Short Form under which lands may be acquired and held by Congregational Churches in this Province, and providing that individual churches may, if desirous of doing so, bring lands now held for their use under the operation of such Act and Trust Deed, with such other provisions as may be considered necessary to effect the same. And that such petitions be signed by the Chairman and Secretary of this meeting and three ministers and three lay delegates attending this meeting, on behalf of the Union.

And that individual churches in the Province be recommended to join in the same by procuring duplicates or copies of such petition, or the material parts of it, to be signed by their Trustees and members, or some person appointed by resolution of the church to sign the same on behalf of the church, to be transmitted when signed to the Secretary of the Legislative Committee of this Union.

The motion was received, and on motion was referred to a committee composed of Messrs. Alf. Howell (Convener), P. H. Burton, Revs. Dr. Jackson, J. Wood, Thos. Hall, Messrs. Geo. Pim and Geo. Hague.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Jackson and duly seconded,

That the Secretary of this Union be and is hereby instructed to amend the form of Model Deed issued by the Union, by striking out from the third line the words "to facilitate the conveyance of Real Property," and insert in their stead the words, "respecting short forms of conveyance."

This was also referred to the Model Trust Deed Committee.

The Rev. J. G. Sanderson presented the report of the Nomination Committee, recommending that the invitation of the Ottawa church for the next meeting of the Union be accepted. It was moved in amendment by the Rev. Chas. Duff, and seconded by Mr. Wm. McCartney, that the invitation of Bond Street Church, Toronto, be accepted. On vote the recommendation of the Committee was sustained.

The report also recommended the following officers for the year 1886:

Union Committee.—Revs. John Wood, Dr. Jackson, A. L. McFadyen, B. W. Day, Dr. Cornish, D. MacCallum, E. M. Hill and Messrs. Jarvis, Stevens, W. Toms, jr., Geo. Hague, C. Alexander, C. R. Black and B. W. Robertson. Secretary-Treasurer.—Rev. Hugh Pedley, B.A.

Annual Sermon.—Rev. J. R. Black, B.A., Garafraxa; alternate, Rev. E. M.

Hill, M.A., of Montreal.

Sunday Morning.—Rev. Dr. Jackson, of Kingston; alternate, Rev. A. F. McGregor, B.A., of Toronto.

Essayist. - Rev. John Morton, of Hamilton.

The report was on motion received and adopted, with the exception of appointment of Statistical Secretary, and was referred back to the Committee to fill blank.

The meeting then adjourned to assemble again on Saturday, at 10 a.m.

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The morning devotional meeting was presided over by the Rev. Mr. Ewing, of Fargo, Dak. Theme—"More earnest sympathy with our Mission Work."

The Union reassembled at 10 o'clock for the transaction of business, the Rev. J. Burton, Chairman, presiding.

The minutes of the former meeting were read and confirmed. Rev. H. D. Hunter, on behalf of the Business Committee, presented the Union Committee's report, which had been referred to them, and recommended as follows:

1. That to that section of the report of Union Committee in which allusion is made to the North-west trouble, there be added these words; "Nor can we in this connection forbear to express our profound sorrow at the loss of so many brave and faithful men, who with true British heroism fell at their posts in defence of their country and homes; and we most earnestly pray that to the families of all such, there may be afforded now and always, the grace, comfort, and consolation of Our Blessed Lord."

Amendment moved by Mr. A. Howell, seconded by Rev. D. Mc-Callium:

That the words be changed to read "in the service of their country and in defence of their homes."

Amendment lost, and recommendation of the Committee adopted.

2. In reference to recommendation (1) of said report, no action be taken.

It was moved in amendment that this matter be referred to a committee appointed by Chairman to consider, and report at the next meeting of the Union. Amendment carried.

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The Business Committee recommended further:

In relation to the opening of correspondence with other denominational gatherings, looking to the appointment of a joint delegation to wait upon the government at Ottawa to protest against mutilation of the Canada Temperance Act,

"That whilst we express full sympathy with the object to be attained, ow-

ing to the lateness of the hour no action be taken."

In the event of our Brother Mr. Walter T. Currie being designated to Foreign Mission Work, under the auspices of the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society, Monday evening next be set apart for his ordination. Adopted.

The Business Committee recommended that the address of the Chairman be printed in the Year Book, and also in the Canadian Independent.

Moved in amendment by Rev. Dr Jackson, and duly seconded,

That the Chairman's address be published only in the Year Book, and that the Congregational Publishing Company be requested to publish one thousand copies of the same in pamphlet form from the same type.

Moved in amendment to amendment by Rev. Geo Fuller and seconded by Rev. C. S. Pedley, B.A.,

That it be published in the Year Book alone.

Amendment to amendment carried.

On motion the report of the Business Committee was then receive lan ladopted as a whole, and also Order of Business therein recommended.

The Rev. W. H Warriner, B.A., B.D., Statistical Secretary, then read his report. Reception and adoption of this report moved by Rev. Hugh Pedley and seconded by Rev. J. Salmon, accompanied with warmest thanks for admirable reports and ardent zeal in his work.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Jackson, seconded by Rev. H. D. Hunter,

That the Statistical Secretary be instructed to have new blank forms provided embracing the following changes: Question No 26 to read "Amount raised for Foreign Missions," to be followed by a new question, namely: "Amount raised for other Denominational purposes,"

Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D., Convener of the Sunday-school Committee, presented the Committee's report and statistical statement, which contained a recommendation that the same be printed in the Year Book. Report received and adopted.

Rev. J. G. Sanderson, on behalf of Nomination Committee, recommended that the Rev. Geo. Robertson, B.A., of Melbourne, Que., be appointed Statistical Secretary. Recommendation adopted, and report as a whole received and adopted.

Membership Committee recommended the admission of Rev. H. A. McIntyre, B.D., of Zion Church, Montreal, to the Union; and that letters of dismissal from this Union be given Rev. J. B. Saer, B.D., of St. John, N.B., recommending him to the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. On motion, the report was adopted.

The Membership Committee were instructed to revise the

membership roll of this Union.
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The Rev. A. L. McFadyen requested leave of absence from further meetings of the Union. It was moved, seconded and carried that the request be not granted.

Rev. A. W. Main, of Belleville, was invited to sit as a corres-

ponding member.

The Rev. Dr. Wilkes' essay on the "Jubilee Churches" was presented by Rev. Dr. Cornish, and owing to the lateness of the hour it was referred to the Business Committee, with instruc-

tions to find a time for its reading on Monday next.

The Chairman named the following as a committee to consider the question as to the advisability of adopting the statement of Doctrine and Belief as lately prepared by committee appointed by the National Council of Congregational Churches of U. S. A. Revs. Dr. Stevenson, Dr. Jackson, and Dr. Cornish, Messrs. G. Hague, H. J. Clark and S. Huxley, with Rev. H. D. Hunter as Convener.

Moved by Rev. John Wood, seconded by Rev. Dr. Stevenson, and carried.

That the Business Committee be requested to consider the question whether in future sessions of the Union the whole of Saturday might not be left without public business, so that that day may be given up to the General Missionary Committee for its work, without their being deprived of the privilege of attending the public meetings.

The Finance Committee then presented its report, which upon motion was received, and on motion to adopt was referred back to the committee for amendment in accordance with Standing Rule of this Union No. 12.

On motion leave of absence was granted to Messrs. J. Davidson, W. R. Climie, R. Currie, and J. Ritchie. The Meeting then adjourned to give place to the Canada Congregational Missionary Seciety, and to meet on Monday, June 15th, at 10 a.m.

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e 14. aghes, of llappians, At 2:45 p.m., a Sunday-school service was held. Addresses by Revs. Dr. Gunner, T. Hall, A. F. McGregor, B.A., C. S. Pedley, B.A., W. Walker, (Indian Missionary), W. Wetherald, and W. H. Warriner, B.D.

In the evening at 7 o'clock, the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, D.D., of Montreal, preached from the text, Matt. xv. 34. At the close of the public service, the members of the Union assembled at the communion of the Lord's Supper, the pastor of the church being assisted by the Revs. Mr. Hastings, of London, England, Dr. Cornish, and W. Hay.

Monday, June 15th, 1885.

The Union met for devotional services at 9 o'clock, presided over by Mr. John M. M. Duff, of Montreal. At 10 o'clock the Chairman called the meeting to order, and requested Rev. Mr. MacCallum to open the session with prayer. The minutes of the previous session were then read and adopted.

An invitation was received from the Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., offering the members of the Union the use of their rooms, &c. The invitation was accepted with thanks, an apology being made to the Union for the delay in tendering this invitation, it having being overlooked.

The Business Committee presented the following report, which was received and adopted:—

That in reference to the Rev. John Wood's motion, recommending the reserving in future of the whole of Saturday for General Missionary Committee work, "we recommend that in view of the shortness of time at present at the disposal of the Union, it is not desirable to make any change in this direction."

The order of Business as recommended by said Committee was then proceeded with.

The Rev. Dr. Cornish then read the Rev. Dr. Wilkes' paper on the "Jubilee Churches." Moved by Rev. Dr. Jackson, seconded by Rev. C. S. Pedley, and adopted,—

That the essay on "Our Jubilee Churches," so ably prepared by our venerable father, the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, to whom the best thanks of the Union are hereby extended, be received and referred to the Publishing Committee. Further, that we record our gratitude to God for the blessings vouchsafed through their influence, not only to the towns and cities where these churches are situated, but likewise to the country at large, through their earnest stand throughout their history for full civil and religious liberty.

On motion, the Chairman and Secretary of the Union, together with the Revs. Messrs. Allworth and W. Hay, were appointed

a deputation from this Union to wait upon the Rev. Thos. Baker, an octogenarian member of this Union, residing in this city and unable to attend its meetings.

The Finance Committee presented the following report, which upon motion was received, and adopted excepting the recommendation to change Standing Rule No. 12, which was referred to Union Committee to report at next meeting:

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

To the Chairman and Members of "The Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec," at the Thirty-Second Annual Session in Hamilton, Ont.

Your Finance Committee beg leave to report that the total collections which have reached us so far amount to \$524 62; a detailed list of churches and amounts received from each is hereto attached.

Following the Rule No. 12 on p. 99, "year book," we have omitted from the list of beneficiaries the names of all delegates from such churches as have sent less than five dollars each, and we find that the total amount of the expenses of ministers and delegates from churches which have contributed according to said rule is \$469.98; a detailed list of names and amounts claimed by each is hereto attached.

The following accounts have been handed to us, and we recommend their payment, viz:-

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Rev. H. Pedley		3 7	9
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This will be enough to pay all the claims filed, and leave a small balance to remain in the Treasury of 35c.

Members have to be congratulated on the state of the finances, which show revenue and expenditure so nearly balanced, but we feel it our duty to remind you that this happy result is owing in large measure to the fact that a majority of the Ministers and Delegates have only a short distance to travel in coming to Hamilton, and so the average rate of expenses is comparatively small. But, as the city of Ottawa has been decided upon as the place where our meetings are to be held next year, the conditions will be changed, and the average rate of expenses will be much higher, and so a much larger amount will be required to pay the whole. In view of this fact we beg leave to recommend, that the rule reterred to above should be changed, and that in future churches should be required to contribute at least one-half of the

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amount claimed by their representatives for expenses, to entitle them to participation in the distribution. Of course all are urged to contribute as much more as they feel able to do.

The whole respectfully submitted,
J. M. M. DUFF, Chairman.

Mr. Alf. Howell presented the following report, viz:

The Committee on the legislation respecting Model Trust Deeds beg to report, that having considered the matter, they approve of the principles of the resolutions referred to them, viz:

1. That individual churches should have the power of controlling and 'directing the action of trustees with regard to the church property, instead of an option being left with the trustees to take action or not as to them may

seem good.

- 2. That where church property is now held under a common deed, or without any deed declaring the trusts upon which it is held, the church should have the power by some simple proceeding authorized by law, and with or without the consent of the person in whom the title may be for the time being be vested, to bring the property under the operation of the present Denominational trusts or some authorized Trust Deed which shall contain those trusts with such amendments and additions as may be in the interests of the churches.
- 3. That each church should be enabled when it may be deemed advisable by such church, to change the site of the chapel or church building to any other site which to it may seem good.
- Trust Deed and other forms which with a petition to the Legislature have been prepared and submitted by Mr. A. Howell, appear to your committee well adapted to give effect to the foregoing principle; and your committee respectfully recommends that a committee on legislation be appointed, of members residing in or near Toronto, to take the necessary steps to procure the legislation referred to, and that Messrs. Geo. Pim, P. H. Burton, H. J. Clark, Geo. Scott, A. Howell, with Mr. Howell as Convener, be such a committee; and that the petition be signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Union, three ministers and three lay delegates on behalf of this Union, and a similar petition to be sent to each church in the Province for signature; and that the Canada Congregational Missionary Society and the several churches in the Province be requested by such committee to contribute to the expense incidental to such legislation.

And that the committee be authorized to obtain such assistance, legal or other, as may be thought proper. (Signed by George Pim, Thos. Hall, John Wood and A. Howell.)

Moved by Mr. Alf. Howell, seconded by Mr. George Pim, that the report be received and adopted.

Moved in amendment by Rev. Dr. Jackson and seconded by Rev. C. Duff, that the report be referred to the Union Committee for 1886, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Union. Amendment lost.

New amendment made by Rev. Dr. Cornish, seconded by Mr. H. H. Cox, that the report be received, adopted, and referred to

the special committee therein named, to be increased by a sub-committee of the Union Committee to be named by the Chairman with power to act. New amendment carried.

Report as amended received and adopted as a whole. The Chairman named the following to act with Legislative Committee: -Rev. Dr. Jackson, John Wood and Dr. Coruish.

The Rev. Dr. Jackson urged the Union to a more hearty support of the Canadian Independent and Year Book, and moved the fellowing resolution, seconded by the Rev. T. Hall, and carried.

Resolved, That this Union calls the attention of pastors and churches to the great importance of sustaining with increased energy the Canadian Independent, and that an effort be made to have a copy placed in every home of our congregations. Further, that we urge all our churches to send liberal orders for the Year Book.

Moved by the Rev. John Wood, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Mc-Callum, and carried,—

That this Union desires to express its high gratification and devout thanksgiving to Almighty God, that our venerable father, the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, has recently reached the age of eighty years, while still actively engaged in the service fo the denomination, and earnestly prays that his life may be yet spared for some years to come, and that his path may ever "shine more and more unto the perfect day."

Rev. J. G. Sanderson, for Nomination Committee recommended the following gentlemen as the S. S. Committee for the ensuing year, viz: Revs. A. F. McGregor, B.A., (Convener), W. H. Warriner, B.D., H. Pedley, B.A., E. M. Hill, M.A., J. R. Black, B.A., Messrs. H. J. Clark, W. R. Climie and Wm. Toms.

Also, that the following gentlemen represent this Union at the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, viz:

—Revs. Thos. Hall, J. G. Sanderson and Geo. Fuller. Report received and adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Business Committee:

Resolved, that the Union would place on record its sense of the great loss it has sustained in the death of the Rev. Edward Ebbs, who was for so many years a member of this body, and a taithful and efficient pastor among us, and who filled at different times the position of Chairman and Secretary with so much honor and usefulness,—and it would convey to his sorrowing widow and family its profound sympathy with them in their bereavement and sorrow. May the merciful and faithful High Priest comfort and sustain them under their affliction.

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Carried by standing vote, and Secretary instructed to forward Mrs. Ebbs and family a copy of the same.

Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D., called the attention of the Union to the S. S. Publications of the Congregational Publishing Society, of Boston, Mass. Moved by Rev. J. Wood, seconded by Rev.

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e Union ng Sociby Rev. E. M. Hill, and carried,—That this Union press upon the churches the claims of these publications and universal adoption.

The Membership Committee presented a communication from Congregational Union of N. S. and N. B., and recommended that the Rev. A. W. Main, of Belleville, lately a member of Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, be received into membership of this Union. Carried.

The Union then adjourned, the Chairman pronouncing the

benediction, to meet again at 4 p. m.

Monday afternoon, 4 o'clock. Union was called to order; the Chairman presiding. The membership committee, to which was referred the revision of the roll, reported a recommendation that the names of Revs. Dr. Duff, W. H. Heu de Bourck, E. Ebbs, deceased, be removed from the roll. That the names of Revs. J. L. Forster, B. C. L., M. S. Gray, J. Griffith, Francis James, J. L. Litch, Robert Robinson, P. Vivian and Francis Wrigley be removed from the roll of members, provided that letters of good standing up to the time of their leaving Canada may be given them if asked for; and that the names of Revs. J. and R. Brown, W. Stacey and J. B. Saer be also removed, they having been dismissed to other associations and fellowship,

Mr. A. W. Gerrie presented the claims of the Labrador mission

to the Union.

Moved by Rev. D. McGregor, seconded by Rev. T. Hall, that the Union commend the Labrador Mission to the prayerful and practical sympathy of our several Churches and Sabbath Schools. Carried.

Union adjourned to meet at the close of the evening session of the Foreign Missionary Society.

Monday evening, June 15. The Union resumed its session at 9 p. m.; the Business Committee presented the following report, which was received and adopted by a standing vote.

Resolved, That the best thanks of this Union be and are hereby tendered to—

- 1. The Pastor and people of this Church and Congregation, especially the ladies, for their generous and exceeding kindness to its members during our stay in the "Ambitious City."
- 2. To Mr. Laing and his able assistants of the Entertainment Committee of the Hamilton Church.
- 3. To the Rev. Hugh Pedley, B. A., for the interesting and edifying sermon delivered by him on the evening of our opening session.
- 4. To the Organist and Choir of this Church for their efficient conducting of the musical services of our sessions.
- 5. To the Rev. Mr. Ward and his estimable wife for their kindness and hospitality on the afternoon of Saturday last.

6. To the various Railroad and Steamboat Companies for reduced rates of fare.

7. To the various newspapers for the generous use of their columns and reports of our meetings.

On motion, the minutes were taken "as read," and confirmed.

The Union then joined in singing "Blest be the tie that binds," after which the Rev. Mr. McGill pronounced the benediction.

The Chairman then declared the Union adjourned, to meet in the Ottawa Congregational Church on the Wednesday after the first Sabbath in June, 1886, at 7.30 p.m.

> E. M. HILL, WM. TOMS, JR., Minute Secretaries.

Hamilton, June, 1885.

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Examined and found correct.

J. M. M. Duff, Chairman Finance Committee.

June 15, 1885.

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Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

OFFICERS FOR 1885-6.

CHAIRMAN:

REV. W. McIntosh, Yarmouth, N. S.

SECRETARY:

REV. JOSEPH BARKER, Sheffield, N. B.

TREASURER:

Mr. James Woodrow, St. John, N. B.

 $STATISTICAL\ SECRETARY:$

Rev. J. Shipperley, Margaree, C. B.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY TREASURER: Mr. C. H. Dearborn, St. John, N. B.

COMMITTEE:

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Rev. J. W. Cox, B. A.	Mr. A. K. Moore.
Rev. S. Sykes,	Mr. C. H. Dearborn.
Rev. W. Peacock.	Mr. D. H. Burpee.
REV. J. B. SAER, B.D.	Mr. E. L. Williams.
Rev. J. Whitman.	Mr. Robert Faulkner.
Mr. W. Anderson.	Mr. Arch. Baker.
Mr. W. F. Sterritt.	Mr. John Kee.

Mr. Nathan Tupper.

PREACHERS:

ANNUAL SERMON.

Rev. J. B. Saer, B.D., primary; Rev. W. Peacock, alternate.

ESSAYIST:

REV. W. H. WATSON, on "Sabbath School Work."

DELEGATES TO CORRESPONDING BODIES:

REV. W. McIntosh, Rev. J. B. Saer, B.D., Mr. James Woodrow, to Congregational Union Ontario and Quebec; Rev. S. Sykes, Rev. J. W. Cox, B.A., to Maine Conference.

PLACE OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING: Keswick Ridge, N.B., 1st Saturday in July, 1886.

LADIES' HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, N. S. AND N. B. President—Miss Lottie R. Upton, St. John, N. B.; Vice-Presidents—Mrs. Coffin, Cornwallis, and Mrs. Sellen, Liverpool; Secretary—Miss Jedidah Tupper, Milton, N. S.; Treasurer—Mrs. C. H. Dearborn, St. John, N. B.

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Hawes, J.B., Theo. Sem., Bangor, M.E. Sykes, S., Liverpool, N.S.

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Other churches-Miltown, N.B.; Manchester, N.S.

ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS.

The 38th Annual Meeting of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick was held in Chebogue, N. S., July 4-7, 1885.

The Rev. William McIntosh, of Yarmouth, N. S., was appointed temporary Chairman, in the absence of the Rev. D. W. Cameron.

Mr. D. H. Burpee, of Sheffield, N. B., was appointed Minute Secretary, with Mr. F. McCallum, student of the Congregational College, B. N. A., Assistant.

The sessional roll being then formed, the following persons were received as honorary members of the Union:—

Rev. J. B. Saer, B. D., St. John, N. B. Rev. J. G. Sanderson, Danville, Q.

Rev. T. Hall, Kingston, Ont., and Missionary Superintendent of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society.

Rev. Geo. Fuller, of Brantford, Ont. Rev. John Burton, B. D., Toronto, Ont. Mr. D. H. Burpee, Sheffield, N. B.

Mr. W. H. G. Temple, Yarmouth, N. S.

Business and other Committees were then appointed, after which the Minutes of last Annual Session were read and confirmed.

The names of Rev. J. B. Saer, B. D., Pastor of the Congregational Church, St. John, N. B., and Rev. Mr. Watson, Pastor of the Congregational Church, Chebogue, were announced as applying for Membership in the Union. At a subsequent meeting they were accepted.

A letter was read from Rev. I. L. Beman, asking for a letter of dismissal from the Union to the Hampshire Association of Congregational Churches; which request was granted.

Rev. William McIntosh was elected Chairman of the Union until next Annual Meeting. He accepted the office with a few appropriate remarks.

The other officers and the Union Committee were then elected.

A Resolution of approval and recommendation of the Year Book was adopted. Also, one in respect to the Canadian Independent.

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At the evening meeting, the Rev. John Burton, B. D., in response to a request of the Union, delivered the address delivered as Chairman of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at its late meeting in Hamilton, Ont.

Sabbath morning the Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. S. Sykes, of Liverpool, N. S., from Romans 8:24: "We are saved by hope;" after which the Lord's Supper was observed, the Pastor of Zion Church, Chebogue, presiding, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Hall, Sanderson, Cox and Barker. A large Sabbath School meeting was held in the afternoon, and addressed by Revs. Shipperley, Hall, Fuller and others. Rev. Geo. Fuller, of Brantford, Ont., preached in the evening to a large and attentive congregation, from John 11:28: "The Master is come and calleth for thee." An interesting prayer-meeting closed the services of the day. A number of the churches in the adjoining town of Yarmouth, as well as of other denominations in the neighborhood, were supplied by members of the Union and ministers in attendance.

On Monday forenoon, Rev. Messrs. Hall, Sanderson and Fuller, delegates from the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, as well as Rev. Mr. Burton, the Chairman of the Union, presented the friendly greetings of the body which they represented, and gave interesting accounts of the work of the Missionary Societies, home and foreign, as well as the work of the Congregational College of Montreal.

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The Statistical Secretary reported twenty churches in connection with the Union. Seventeen of these churches had reported congregations numbering 3,452, with a church membership of 1,199. The addititions to the churches during the year had been 65 by profession and 21 by letter.

In the afternoon the Union Committee held its annual session in concert with the members of the executive of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society. The Ladies' Home Missionary Society also held its annual meeting. The following officers were elected:—President, Miss Lottie R. Upton, St. John; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Coffin, of Cornwallis, and Mrs. Sellen, of Liverpool; Secretary, Miss Jedidah Tupper, Milton; Treasurer, Mrs. C. H. Dearborn, St. John. Addresses were made by Rev. Thos. Hall, Missionary Superintendent, and Mr. James Woodrow, Treasurer of the Union.

In the evening the annual Missionary Meeting of the Union was held, Arch. Barker, of Sheffield, presiding. Addresses were made as follows:—by James Woodrow, representing the Ladies'

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ne Union sses were ne Ladies' Home Missionary Society by request; Rev. Messrs. Sanderson and Hall representing the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, and Mr. Burton representing the College. A collection of \$17 was then taken up, after which the following resolution was adopted:—

"Whereas, This Union having heard with pleasure the address of Rev. John Burton, B.D., concerning the present condition and outlook of the Congregational College of British North America,

Resolved, That we commend it to the liberal support and prayerful sympathy of the churches of this Union, and express the hope that at a very

early day the staff of Professors may be efficiently increased.

On Tuesday forenoon, after devotional exercises, led by Rev. J. B. Saer, the following brethren were appointed a Sub-Committee for the transaction of interim business: Rev. Messrs. McIntosh, Barker, Shepperley, Woodrow and Sykes.

On Motion of Business Committee,-

Resolved, That Revs. McIntosh, Saer and Mr. James Woodrow be delegates to the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec;

Also, That Revs. Sykes and Cox be delegates to Maine Conference;

Also, That Revs. McIntosh, Sanderson and Saer represent this Union on the Executive Committee of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, and Revs. Sykes and Barker on the General Committee.

Resolutions against Sabbath desecration; against intemperance; approval of the Scott Act; and in relation to Sunday School work were adopted. Also a resolution of thanks to God for the termination of the war in the North-West.

W. H. G. Temple, of Yarmouth, applied for endorsation in view of his entering the work of the Congregational Ministry, and a resolution endorsing Mr. Temple as far as the Constitution of the Union gave authority in that direction was adopted.

In the afternoon the Executive of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society met and transacted Missionary business.

At 4 o'clock a religious service was held on the lawn in front of the Parsonage, at which earnest addresses were delivered by Mr. Fuller, Mr. Gerry and Mr. Temple. A collection on behalf of Foreign Missions was taken up.

In the evening the closing meeting of the Union was held, the Chairman, Rev. W. McIntosh, presiding. Addresses were given by Rev. Messrs. Saer, Barker, McCallum and Gerry; also by Mr.

Mitchell, delegate from Keswick Ridge.

A hearty vote of thanks was given the Rev. J. Burton for his address delivered on Saturday evening; also to the Rev. Messrs. Sykes and Fuller for their sermons on Sabbath.

The same also, to the various Railroad and Steamboat lines for their generous reduction of fares; and to the good friends of Chebogue for their princely hospitality to the members of the Union and visitors.

The Union then adjourned, to meet in Keswick Ridge, N. B., the first Saturday in July, 1886, at 9.30 a. m.

J. Barker, Secretary.

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PART III.

I. Congregational College of British North America—Officers—College Notice—By-laws and Regulations—Course of Study—Regulations for the Course of Study and Examinations for the Degree of Bachelor of Divinity—List of Alumni—Proceedings of the Annual Meeting—Annual Report—Treasurer's Statement—Life Members—Lillie Memorial Fund—First Endowment Fund—Second Endowment Fund—Building Fund—Furnishing Fund—Medal and Exhibitions—Reports of Examinations.

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III. Congregational Publishing Company—Officers—By-laws—Minutes of Annual Meeting—Secretary's Report—Financial Statement.

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BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

OFFICERS FOR 1885-6.

CHAIRMAN:

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PRINCIPAL:

THE REV. J. F. STEVENSON, D.D., LL.B.

PROFESSORS AND LECTURERS:

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Systematic Theology, Biblical Introduction, and Church History.

THE REV. G. CORNISH, M.A., LL.D., Greek Testament Exegesis.

THE REV. J. F. STEVENSON, D.D., LL.B.,

New Testament Criticism, Homiletics, Pastoral Theology, and Historical Theology.

THE REV. E. M. HILL, M.A., Elementary Greek.

THE REV. S. N. JACKSON, M.D.,

History, Polity and Administration of Congregationalism.

THE REV. JOHN BURTON, B.D., Apologetics.

AUDITORS:

MESSRS. J. B. LEARMONT AND T. B. MACAULAY.

NOTICE.

The attention of friends of the College is respectfully invited to the following statement of the methods whereby they may render assistance to the College in the prosecution of its work:—

- (1) By contributing towards the annual current expenses of the College.
- (2) By contributing towards the General Endowment Fund.
- (3) By the endowing in full, or contributing towards the endowment of, any particular Chair, or
 - (4) (Lectureship.)
 - (5) By the founding of Scholarships, or Exhibitions.
 - (6) By the donation of books for the Library.
 - (7) By furnishing requisites for the College building.

FORM OF A BEQUEST FOR THE COLLEGE.

I give and bequeath to the Treasurer, for the time being, of the Congregational College of British North America, a body corporate by Act of Parliament of the Province of Canada, A. D. 1864, the sum of [either without designation, or "to be added to the Endowment Fund of said College,"] out of my estate, without any charge or deduction whatever, to be paid with all convenient speed after my decease; and I direct that the receipt for the said sum of the Treasurer for the time being of the said College shall be a sufficient and valid discharge of said legacy.

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N. B.—The Act of Incorporation contains the following clause:

"No bequest in favor of said Corporation shall be valid unless made at least six months before the death of the person making the same."

BY LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

CHAPTER I.

OF THE CORPORATION.

- 1. The Corporation is called "The Congregational College of British North America."
- 2. Its object is to educate ministers for the Congregational churches of Canada and the other Provinces of British North America.
- 3. Contributors of two dollars annually to the funds of the College are members of the Corporation. A contributor in arrears one year shall not be qualified to vote at the meetings of the Corporation, or to exercise his other rights of membership. The Treasurer's subscription lists shall be taken as evidence of contribution.
- 4. Churches contributing for the previous year to the current expense fund of the College the sum of ten dollars, or upwards, may be represented at the meeting of the Corporation by one delegate for each church; those contributing twenty-five dollars, or upwards, for the previous year, by two delegates; and those contributing fifty dollars, or upwards, for the previous year, by three delegates.
- 5. All who contribute, or may have contributed, at any one time, the sum of two hundred dollars, or upwards, not including annual subscriptions, to any one or more of the objects set forth on page 4, or to any other special object or objects, shall be life members of the Corporation.
- 6. A regular meeting of the Corporation is held annually for the reception of the report of the retiring Directors, the election of a new Board, according to provision hereinafter named, and the transaction of other ordinary necessary business.
- 7. The annual meeting is held at the same time and place as that of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec.
- 8. Special meetings of the Corporation may be held for the transaction of special business at the call of the Board of Directors, or on a requisition to that effect to the Chairman of the Board of Directors, signed by at least twenty members of the Corporation; provided always that no such special meetings be held without one month's public notice thereof in an accredited newspaper in Toronto and Montreal, and also in the Canadian Independent.

CHAPTER II.

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

- 1. The Board of Directors is elected from members of the Corporation, and consists of a Chairman, Treasurer, one or more Secretaries, and twenty-five members. Five members of the Board constitute a quorum.
- 2. Five members of the Board shall retire annually, in rotation, but shall be eligible for re-election.

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(1) The management of the finances of the College. (2) The appointment and removal of officers of the College, subject to the revision of the Corporation. (3) The general oversight and management of the affairs of the College. (4) The framing of by-laws for the domestic economy of the College and the conduct and discipline of the students, and (5) the presentation of an annual report of the general condition of the College to the Corporation at the annual regular meeting.

4. Any member of the Board absent from its meetings for a year shall be held, ipso facto, to have vacated his seat, but may be re-appointed or re-elected thereto.

5. The proceedings of the Board are subject to and regulated by by-laws, which may be enacted, amended or repealed, after due notice thereof, at any annual regular meeting of the Corporation.

6. Vacancies in the Board, whether occurring by death, or resignation, or otherwise, may be filled by the Board as soon after their occurrence as it may see fit.

CHAPTER III.

OF THE PROFESSORS.

1. The officers of the College shall be a Principal, and such other Professors and Lecturers as may be associated with him from time to time, of whom the Principal and Professors shall be members of a Congregational church.

2. The officers of the College shall receive their appointment from the Board of Directors, as before provided; and in case of resignation of or removal from any office, except for cause, three months' notice thereof shall be required; provided, always, that no appointment or removal shall be valid unless made at a meeting of the Board specially called for that purpose, at which not less than a majority of the Board must be present.

3. The duties and salaries of the officers of the College shall be determined by such regulations as the Board of Directors may from time to time ordain in that behalf.

4. The Principal and Professors, with such clerical members of the Board as may from time to time be appointed by it, constitute the Faculty of Theology, and as such are entrusted with the educational work of the College, subject to the sanction and control of the Board of Directors.

5. In cases of discipline the Faculty may admonish or reprimand a student, or prohibit his attendance on the classes, preliminary to reporting him to the Board to be further dealt with.

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6. Meetings of the Faculty shall be held monthly during the session, and the Faculty are required to make regular reports of their proceedings to the Board.

7. The Principal of the College shall be ex officio chairman of the Faculty, and one of its members shall be appointed annually by the Board to act as secretary of the Faculty.

CHAPTER IV.

OF CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION.

1. Every candidate for admission into the College must present to the Directors the testimony of the church of which he is a member, respecting his piety and suitableness to the work of the ministry, together with a written statement of the grounds of his own conviction that he is called of God to that work and of his views of Christian doctrine and Church government.

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2. Candidates for the admission to the full course must be prepared to pass the Matriculation Examination in the McGill University.

3. Candidates who are graduates of any University, or who can satisfy the Board that they are otherwise possessed of sufficient acquirements, may be at once admitted to the Theological course; also, as exceptional cases, such candidates may be admitted to that course as it may be expedient, in the judgment of the Directors, to train as preachers, without the ordinary literary culture.

4. Candidates, other than University graduates, on entering shall be subjected to a written examination in the following subjects:—

(a) In English:—Writing from dictation, Composition; Grammar; History of England.

(b) In Mathematics: -Arithmetic; Euclid's Elements, Books I and II.

(c) In Classics:—Elements of Greek Grammar, and translation from the Greek into English of a portion of one of the Gospels.

5. They shall be required to take a full year in the University in the study of such subjects as the Faculty may designate previous to commencing their Theological work.

6. Approved candidates are received on a probation of four months, at the close of which, if the result of their probation be satisfactory, they are admitted as regular students of the College.

CHAPTER V.

OF THE STUDENTS.

1. Students are during their Literary course under the general supervision of the Theological Professors, and take such subjects in the Theological department as the Board may direct.

2. The students, both in the Literary and Theological departments, are required to attend exclusively to the studies approved by the Board.

3. Every student, on his admission to the College, is required to sign a declaration of obedience and consent to the By-laws and Regulations of the College.

4. Pecuniary aid, when necessary, may be granted to them from the funds, the amount in each case to be fixed by the Board at the beginning of the session.

5. Attendance upon the classes in the College and the use of the Library is allowed without charge to the students.

6. As a part of their preparation for their future work, the students, under the sanction of the Directors, may preach the Gospel as they have the opportunity.

7. Every student, when admitted into the College, on the expiration of the term of his probation, is required to procure a formal dismissal from the church to which he formerly belonged, and, without delay, to obtain admission into a Congregational church in Montreal. Such dismissal and admission must be reported by him to the Board. Furthermore, he is expected to be as regular as possible in his attendance upon the services, ordinances and church-meetings of the church to which he belongs during his College course.

8. Students are not allowed, during their College course, to enter into the marriage relationship without the knowledge and consent of the Board of Directors.

9. Students who leave College without obtaining the official sanction and discharge of the Board are required to refund to the College the amount expended by it for their education.

10. Churches who desire the services of students with the view of permanent settlement in the pastorate, or otherwise, are requested to communicate with the Board through the Secretary.

CHAPTER VI.

OF THE COURSE OF STUDY AND EXAMINATIONS.

1. The full course of study extends over five sessions, and is divided into a Literary course of two sessions and a Theological course of three sessions.

2. In the Theological department, the course of study includes the original Languages of the Scriptures, Biblical Literature, Systematic and Pastoral Theology, Church History, Homiletics, and Exegesis of the Greek Testament, with such other accessory subjects as the Board of Directors may from time to time appoint.

3. In the Theological course, the students are examined at the close of each session in all the subjects of the year. The examinations are conducted by examiners (among whom the Theological Professors are included) chosen by the Board of Directors, and by means of printed questions and written answers to the same. Those who pass are arranged according to their proficiency, as 1st class, 2nd class, and 3rd class. If a student fails to pass in any subject, he is required to undergo a supplementary examination in the same. The result of these sessional examinations are recorded by the Board and reported to the Corporation at the annual meeting.

4, The session of the Theological department begins in the second week in September and ends in the second week in April.

5. The professors are at liberty to hold, during the session, such class examinations as they may deem necessary, either in the manner aforesaid or orally.

6. In the Literary course students are required to pass such examinations as may be appointed by the Faculty of Arts of the McGill University. The Board of Directors are required to obtain from the said Faculty of Arts a report of the examinations of the students in the several subjects thereof, and also of their attendance and conduct during the session in the University, and to present the same at the annual meeting of the Corporation.

CHAPTER VII.

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

1. Alterations may be made in these By-laws and Regulations, or new ones added, by any regular meeting of the Corporation, provided that notice of such alterations or additions has been given at the meeting next preceding.

COURSE OF STUDY.

According to the regulations of the College the full course of study extends over five sessions, and is divided into a Literary course of two sessions, and a Theological course of three sessions. Candidates for admission to the full course must be prepared to pass the Matriculation Examination of the McGill University in the following subjects.

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The authors recommended are: Cicero (against Cataline I. and II.); Virgil (Æneid B. I.)

Xenophon (Anabasis B. I.); Homer (Iliad B. I.)

In Mathematics.—Arithmetic; Algebra, to simple equations, inclusive; Euclid's Elements, Books I., II. and III.

In English.—Writing from dictation. English Composition. A Paper on English Grammar and History.

For the literary and scientific subjects of the full course, the students attend the classes of the Faculty of Arts in McGill College according to the terms of affiliation with the University; in which Faculty the full course extends over four years, and leads to the degree of B.A. But in the third and fourth years, Theological students are allowed exemptions from attendance on certain classes should they desire it. Thus the studies of the third and fourth years of the full course are prosecuted simultaneously in the Faculty of Theology and in the Faculty of Arts. The work of the fifth year is confined to the Faculty of Theology.

The following is the course of study in the University which students in Theology must pass through in order to obtain the degree of B.A.:

First Year.—Classics; French or German or Hebrew; English Grammar and Literature; Pure Mathematics; Elementary Chemistry.

Second Year.—Classics; French or German or Hebrew; English Literature; Elementary Psychology and Logic; Pure Mathematics; Botany.

Third Year.—Latin or Greek; Mathematical Physics (Mechanics and Hydrostatics); any two of the following departments—French or German or Hebrew (whichever the student has taken in the first two years); Experimental Physics; Zoology; English and Rheloric; together with one Additional Department, for which see below.

Fourth Year.—Latin or Greek same language as in third year; Mathematical Physics (as in third year); Mental and Moral Philosophy; any two of the following departments—French or German (same language as in previous years); Experimental Physics; Geology; History; and one Additional Department (the same as chosen in the third year), for which see below.

(N.B.—The Additional Department referred to above, of which one must be selected, the same department being taken in both the third and fourth years, are as follows, viz.: (1) Classics, including Latin and Greek. (2) Mathematical Physics, including Optics, with Astronomy. (3) Natural Science, including Chemistry, Mineralogy and Geology of Canada. (4) Mental and Moral Philosophy. (5) English with History. (6) One Modern Language or Hebrew.)

(N.B.—Theological students are entitled to exemption from the Additional Department, or any one of the Ordinary Departments required in the third or fourth years.).

The Theological course proper begins with the third year of the full course and extends over three full sessions. It embraces the following subjects:—(1) Systematic Theology; (2) Historical Theology; (3) Pastoral Theology; (4) Homiletics; (5) Greek Testament Exegesis; (6) Church History; (7) Evidences and Biblical Literature.

In both departments, the session begins at the middle of September; and examinations are held at Christmas and at the end of the session in the several subjects of the year. Students must pass these examinations as a condition of maintaining their proper status. Candidates who are admitted to the Theological course proper ("Shorter"), in accordance with Sec. 3, Chap. iv. of the Regulations, are required to attend such classes in McGill College as the Faculty of Theology may deem expedient, and also to pass the examination of such classes.

REGULATIONS FOR THE COURSE OF STUDY AND EX-AMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF DIVINITY.

- 1. Candidates for the Degree of B. D., must be graduates in Arts of a recognised University; provided, however, that this condition shall not be made to apply to former Alumni of the College, nor to those now (1885) passing through their course.
- 2. There shall be three Examinations for the Degree of B. D.; viz.:—I. The Entrance; II. The Intermediate; and III. The Final Examination; arranged as to subjects and time as follows:—
- I. Entrance Examination, at the end of the first year of the Theological Course, and in the following subjects:—
 - (a) Greek. Gospel by St. Mark.
 - (b) Latin.—Gospel by St. Mark—(Vulgate).
 - (c) Hebrew.—Genesis, chaps. i. to iv., and Psalms, cxx to cxxix, inclusive.
- (d) Apologetics.—Butler's Analogy.—Theistic Argument.—Diman.
- (e) Church History.—Ante Nicene Period;—Mosheim. Stanley's Eastern Church.
 - (f) Introduction.—Old Test. Keil, Vol. I.
- II. Intermediate Examination, at the end of the Second Year of the Theological Course.
 - (a) Greek.—Acts of the Apostles; Justin Martyr, Apol. I.
 - (b) Latin.—Acts of the Apostles—(Vulgate).
 - (c) Hebrew and Chaldee.—The Book of Daniel.
 - (d) Church History.—Milman's Latin Christianity, Books 13 and 14.
 - (e) Introduction.—Old Test., Keil Vol. II.; New Test., Westcott.
 - (f) Apologetics.—Christlieb.
 - (g) Theology.—Oosterzee, (Introduction), Part II.
 - (h) Church Government.—Hatch, Dexter.
- III. FINAL EXAMINATION, at the end of the Third Year of the Theological Course.
- (a) Greek.--The Book of Exodus, Chaps. I. to XX., inclusive, (Septuagint). Philippians, (Lightfoot).
 - (b) Latin. Exodus I. to XX., inclusive, (Vulgate).
 - (c) Hebrew. do do
 - (d) Introduction.—
 - (e) Apologetics.—
 - (f) Theology.—Oosterzee, (Concluded).
 - (g) Church History, XVIII. and XIX. Centuries.
 - (h) Homiletics and Pastoral Theology. Shedd, Original Sermons, Outlines.
- 3. The Examinations shall be held at the same time and place, annually, as the Sessional Examinations of the College, and the Degree shall be conferred at the public closing service of the session.

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5. The fee for the Degree of B. D. shall be ten dollars, to be paid to the Secretary of the Faculty prior to the conferring of the Degree.

6. The Hood of the Bachelor of Divinity shall be of black corded silk, lined with white silk with a three inch border of Bishop's purple.

MEDAL AND EXHIBITIONS.

The following are open to competition to students during the College Course:—

1. The Calvary Church Silver Medal.—For the best answering in a special examination in the final examinations of the Theological course.

2. The Robert Anderson Exhibition of Fifty Dollars.—For the highest general proficiency in all the subjects of the Sessional Examination of the Third Year in the Theological course.

3. The Robert Anderson Exhibition of Thirty Dollars.—As above, for the examinations of the Second Year, Theological course.

4. The Robert Anderson Exhibition of Twenty Dollars.—As above, for the examinations of the First Year, Theological course.

LIST OF ALUMNI.

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1	Ludwick Kribs	Eramosa		Hawley, Minn.
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3	Leonard McGlashan	Pelham	1842	Died.
4	Samuel Finton	Glanford		Presbyterian Church.
	James Vincent			
	Edward Ebbs			
	William Lumsden			
	William F. Clarke			
	Thomas I. Hodgskin			
	Robert Robinson			
	John Bowles			
	Norman McLeod			
	W. H. Allworth			
	Thomas Snell			
	Thomas Seawright			
	Thomas Bayne			
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25	John Wood	Montreal Zion	1851	Ottowa Ont
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	Robert K. Black			
	George Ritchie			
	Daniel Macallum			
	James Hay			
	E. A. Noble			
	Enoch Barker			
34	Archibald Burpee	Sheffield, N. B	1854.	. Died.
35	John Campbell	.Indian Lunds.	1855.	. West Arran, Ont.
36	James Boyd	. Montreal, Zion	1856.	
37	Philip Shanks	. Beauharnois	1856.	. Died.
38	Malcolm McKillop	.Inverness $$	1858.	. Died.
39	Robert G. Baird	. Lanark	1857.	. Lansing, Mich.
40	A. McDonald	. Montreal, 2nd	Church 1857.	
41	Robert Hay	Scotland, Ont.	1858.	. Warwick, Ont.
42	George A. Rawson	. Lanark	1859.	. Sidney Plains, N. Y.

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65 Daniel D. Nighswander				
66 John Allworth, M.A				
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80 Allan L.McFadyen, B.				
81 William Ewing, B.A.				
82 J. B. Saer, B.D				
83 Charles E. Bolton				
84 John McKinnon				
85 George Robertson, B.A				
86 George Skinner	Melbourne, Qu	le 1882	Eaton, Que.	
87 George Fuller	Brooklyn, U. S	1009	brantiora, Ont.	
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Forty-sixth Annual Meeting of the College was held at Hamilton, Ont., on Friday, June 12th, 1885.

On motion, P. H. Burton, Esq., was appointed to the chair; and Rev. A. McFadyen, B.A., Minute Secretary. Rev. W. Hay opened the meeting with prayer.

- 1. The Rev. Dr. Cornish, the Secretary of the College, read the Annual Report of the College for the Session of 1884–85.
- 2. Moved by Rev. Dr. Cornish, seconded by Geo. Hague, Esq.; and

Resolved:—That the Report now read be received and adopted, and, together with the several lists and regulations therein referred, to, be printed for distribution.

3. Moved by Rev. J. Wood, seconded by Rev. Mr. Hay; and

Resolved:—That this Meeting has heard with much gratification and thankfulness of the prosperity and success, especially in the largely increased number of students, which have been vouchsafed to the College during the past session, the first under the new order of things; and earnestly trusts that all interested in the thorough efficiency of the Institution will be encouraged and stimulated by this success to a fuller appreciation of its importance and value to the churches in the work of training men to serve them in the ministry of God's Holy Word.

4. Moved by Rev. D. McGregor, M.A., seconded by Rev. Wm. Hay; and

Resolved:—That the cordial thanks of this Corporation be tendered to the Committee of the Colonial Missionary Society for the generous interest they have taken in the welfare of the College during another year of its history.

5. Moved by Rev. J. I. Hindley, M. A., seconded by Rev. W. H. Warriner, B. A.; and

Resolved:—That the churches and friends of the College be requested to observe the second Sunday in October as a day for special prayer to God that He will crown the work of the College with His richest blessing, and make it an increasing power for good to all our churches.

6. Moved by Rev. Dr. Jackson, and seconded by Rev. J. Burton, B. D.; and

Resolved:—That in the opinion of this Corporation, it is desirable that a College Calendar be compiled, indicating in full the course of study pursued

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by students in both Departments, as also the course for the Degree of B. D. Further, that the Board of Directors are hereby requested to attend to this matter.

7. Moved by Rev. D. McGregor, M.A., seconded by J. M. M. Duff, Esq.; and

Resolved:—That the cordial thanks of this Corporation be tendered the Board of Directors for their wise, generous, and painstaking conduct of the affairs of the College during the past year.

8. Moved by Rev. C. S. Pedley, B.A., seconded by Rev. Geo. Fuller; and

Resolved:—That in the judgment of this Corporation it is very desirable, at the earliest possible date, to make provision for the systematic instruction of our students in the methods of teaching and Sabbath School work.

9. On motion, the Revs. Dr. Wilkes and W. H. Allworth, and Messrs. Jamieson, Theodore Lyman, and H. W. Walker, the retiring members, were severally re-elected to serve on the Board of Directors.

10. On motion it was

Resolved:—That the above minutes be and are hereby taken as read and confirmed.

After prayer the meeting adjourned.

George Cornish, LL.D., Sec. Cong. College, B. N. A.

A. F. McFadyen, B.A., Minute Secretary.

REPORT FOR SESSION, 1884-85.

Before submitting their Report of the past Session, of 1884–5, being their 46th in the history of the College, it is proper that as matter of history, special mention should be made of the opening of the new College building. This, with appropriate dedicatory ceremonies, took place on the evening of Friday, June 6th, 1884, in the Assembly Hall of the College.

The Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec was at that time holding its Annual Meeting in Montreal, and there was a very large attendance of members of the Union, and also of the several Churches of Montreal. George Hague, Esq., presided, and the devotional service was conducted by the Rev. George Robertson, B. A., of Melbourne, Que., after which Mr. J. S. Mc-Lachlan, on behalf of the donors, made the presentation of the building to the Corporation by a deed of gift, which was accepted by the Chairman on behalf of the College. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Jackson, of Kingston, Ont., which was followed by addresses by Principal Stevenson, on "The training which the College seeks to impart for the work of the Ministry;" by Dr. Wilkes, giving reminiscences of the past history of the Denomination and of the College; and by Rev. W. H. Allworth, of Frome, Ont., on behalf of former alumni of the College. Addresses of sympathy and congratulation were also delivered by Rev. J. Edgar Hill, of St. Andrew's Church, Montreal; Rev. T. Lafleur, and Rev. A. G. Upham, of the Baptist Church; whilst expressions of regret at inability to be present were received from the Lord Bishop of Montreal, Rev. Principal MacVicar, Ven. Archdeacon Leach, Dean of the Faculty of Arts of McGill College, Rev. G. H. Wells, of the American Presbyterian Church, Rev. Canon Norman, Bishop Ussher, of the Reformed Episcopal Church, and other ministers who were absent from the city. The tone of the meeting was enthusiastic and encouraging for the future of the College.

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The session of 1884-85, was opened with the usual public service, held for the first time in the Assembly Hall of the College, on the evening of September 18th, 1884. The Rev. F. H. Marling, by invitation of the Board, delivered the opening address to the students, which was very able and stimulating. The

attendance was large, and the interest manifested was greatly in

advance of that of any former occasion.

The session opened amidst circumstances full of encouragement, for whilst for years past the cry had been for increased numbers of candidates for admission into the College, there were the names of no less than 9 applicants:—1 from Newfoundland, and 1 from Cape Breton, in the east; 2 from Montreal; 5 from divers parts of Ontario; and 1 from Ireland. After the usual probation, 8 of these were received as regular students; one being advised to withdraw his application for a year, in order to secure further preparation. The Sessional Roll, therefore, at the close of the session stood as follows:—

Gerrie, Andrew W., B.A.; Fifth Year, Full Course.
 Pedley, James W., B.A.; Fifth Year, Full Course.
 Currie, Walter T.; Fifth Year, Full Course.

(4) Whyte, George; Third Year, Theological Course.

(5) Unsworth, Joseph K., B.A.; First Year, Theological Course.

(6) Solandt, Andrew P.; Second Year, Full Course.(7) Gerrie, John P.; Second Year, Full Course.

(8) Davies, Howell; Second Year, Theological Course.
(9) Braithwaite, Edward E.; Third Year, Full Course.
(10) Mason, Horace Edwin C.; First Year, Full Course.
(11) Macallum, Frederick W.; First Year, Full Course.

(12) Pedley, Hilton; First Year, Full Course.
(13) Pritchard, Thomas; First Year, Full Course.
(14) Watt, Wm. Jas.; First Year, Full Course.
(15) Hart, Jno. O.; First Year, Theological Course.
(16) McLeod, Alex.; First Year, Theological Course.

(17) McAdie, James; First Year, Theological Course.

The work of the session in the several classes was carried on without interruption; and the attendance of the students was satisfactory. Acting on the powers placed in their hands at the last Annual Meeting, your Board without delay secured the services, for special courses of lectures, of the Rev. Jno. Burton, B.D., on Apologetics; of the Rev. S. N. Jackson, M.D., on the History, Polity, and Administration of Congregationalism; and of the Rev. Wm. Wetherald, on Practical Theology. Your Board regret that Dr. Jackson, owing to ill health, was unable to deliver the course assigned to him, but it is hoped he may be able to do so next session. Mr. Burton made two visits during the session, and delivered course of seventeen lectures on the subject allotted to him; and a Mr. Wetherald made his course to consist of ten lectures. Your Board have every reason to believe that both these courses were of great value to the students, and were highly appreciated by them. As Mr. Burton was not able to cover all the ground laid

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out by him in his synopsis, it is recommended that he be invited to resume and to continue the course next session.

Mr. Hill conducted his class in Elementary Greek, as in previous sessions.

The following are the Reports presented by the several Professors of the work of the classes under their charge:—

(1) Dr. Wilkes reports:—

I have to report my usual course of lectures on Systematic Theology—two each week—comprising during the session the subjects of Inspiration, the Nature and Attributes of God, The Holy Trinity, The Creation, Angels good and bad, Providence, Man, his original state, his probation and fall; the Origin of Evil, and the Nature of Sin. A lecture a week has been given on Old Testament Introduction, having relation to the Pentateuch, a portion of the Minor Prophets, and several books of the Hagiographa. On Church History, one lecture a week has been given on the Reformation of the 16th Century as affecting the several Countries of Europe. The Senior class in the first half of the Session received lectures on the Decalogue, and during the second half on the History of the O.T. Canon. Examinations on three of the above subjects were held at Christmas, and a Sessional Examination on each of them. The results are appended. The class of eight wrote essays on five subjects which I appointed, with results creditable to them and gratifying to me. Rev. George Robertson, B. A., of Melbourne; Rev. E. Brainerd, M. A., of Sherbrooke, and Rev. E. M. Hill, of Calvary Church, Montreal, assisted me in the Sessional Evaminations.

(2) Dr. Cornish reports:—

I have to report that during the Session 1884-5, I met the Class for Greek Test. Exegesis regularly twice a week, with two or three days omission, and that we read in Class the last five chapters of St. Mark, and the first seven of the Acts. At the close of the Session an Examination of three hours' length was held in the work done, with the results given in the Class-lists of the Sessional Examinations.

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(3) Dr. Stevenson reports:—

I have to report that during the past session of the College the general conduct of the students has been very satisfactory. They have been diligent, orderly, and in every way respectful to those who have charge of the institution. The health of the students has been good, and their domestic comfort ably secured by the care and good management of the House Committee and of the excellent matron. The Home Missionary Stations, Franklin Centre, Hawkesbury, and Brockville, have been regularly supplied, and the services rendered are much appreciated. My own work as professor has been pleasant and I hope profitable to the classes. I have lectured with regularity on the subjects of New Testament Theology, Historical Theology, and Homiletics. On the first subject we have used Oosterzee's text book, with my own supplementary lectures. On Historical Theology I have lectured as to the doctrine of the Divine Nature and Attributes, and on that of the Trinity, as treated by the Ante-Nicene Fathers, with special notices of Neo-Platonism and the Gnostic theories. In Homiletics the class has read a part

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of Shedd's handbook, and has written outlines of sermons, as well as fully written discourses, which have been criticized both by the class and the Protessor. In all these subjects I have been gratified by the care and attention, and, in some instances, by the marked progress of the students.

I may add that the harmony and good understanding among the Professors and Lecturers has been altogether unbroken. The brethren who have visited us as Lecturers have done excellent work, and left the most pleasant impression. We look forward to the advantage of a course of lecturers on Congregationalism, which the imperfect health and many engagements of the lecturer have for the present postponed. Meanwhile the work of the session has been good and pleasant.

The residence of the students together in our College building is of great advantage to them. It gives them a keener sense of mutual relation, a great stimulus in their work, and lays the foundation, we may hope and believe, of precious and lasting friendships in after life. I believe also that it contributes to their spiritual life, and their love of the great work before them.

(4) Mr. Burton reports:-

My course of nine lectures, already given, c mprised an introduction to Butler's Analogy, and directions for reading the same. Subsequently a series of questions on Butler were set; the answers are before me. The questions are in the Principal's hands. The lectures further dealt with the question, Can we Know God? and How?; after which Christianity was looked upon as a fact to be accounted for, and the conclusion reached that Christ was and is the great personality of Christianity, and to be listened to as a teacher, trustworthy and authoritative. Systematic Theology must treat of what Christ said of himself, and of the authority with which he endowed his followers to teach in his name.

The general trustworthiness of the records is a link in the chain of argument I desire to give that the present Session's Course may be complete.

I have left "The Theistic Argument" by Diman for study during the second term of the Session. The papers given in by the students (whose attendance and attention during the delivery of the lectures were all that could be desired), plainly show that a knowledge of a text-book by our students is scarcely to be expected without the accompaniment of a teacher's prelections. For the correction therefore of imperfect apprehension of Butler, and for the better understanding of Diman, in addition to the matter already mentioned, I should like to meet the students again this Session, say during one week, and would suggest from February 2nd, to February 6th.

As the subject allotted to me takes shape, it seems that some knowledge of those religions which, in this cosmopolitan age are being compared with Christianity, is practically necessary. I am therefore contemplating (D.V.) for the next Session, should it meet with the Board's approval, some lectures on what Max Muller calls the Science of Religion. I know this is in some measure presumption, but the conviction presses heavily upon me, as I know it does upon our beloved Principal, that if our New College departure is to be under God's blessing a success, and the denomination be itself in the country, we must strain every nerve to be abreast of the age, and a little in advance in College culture for our future pastors, as well as in spiritual life.

Re Examination papers. The replies are generally good; none foolish; though in most instances they would stand better as indication of attention to the lectures than as studies of the Analogy.

In accordance with previous plans I again visited the College and delivered a final course of five lectures; reviewing first the answers given to the Examination Papers of the Christmas season. The Theistic Argument by Diman was introduced as a text book. Some account was given of the Early Christian Records as regards the evidence of authenticity, and a connected resume of the Entire Course.

The final Examination was held—Dr. Stevenson attending, and the results must be deemed satisfactory. The paper was valued at one hundred marks, and the results are appended.

The examinations in the several classes of the Department of Theology were duly held; and the results which will be published in appendix were creditable to the students. The thanks of the Corporation are due to Revs. G. H. Wells, R. K. Black, Geo. Robertson, E. M. Hill, and E. R. Brainard, as assistant examiners.

The following award of Medal and Exhibitions was made.

The Calvary Church Silver Medal, to George Whyte, Third Year, Theological Course.

The Robert Anderson Exhibition of \$50, to James W. Pedley, B.A., Third Year, Theological Course.

The Robert Anderson Exhibition of \$20, to Joseph K. Unsworth, B.A., First Year, Theological Course.

The Robert Anderson Exhibition of \$30, for the Second Year, was not awarded, in consequence of inadequate answering; but Mr. Anderson has kindly allowed it to be held in reserve for award as an extra prize next session.

Messrs. Currie. A. W. Gerrie, J. W. Pedley, and Whyte have completed their Course of Study, and have received the certificate of the College to that effect. They all leave enjoying the full confidence and best wishes of both the Faculty and the Board:—Mr. Currie for Missionary service in Central Africa, and the rest for service in the ministry of our home churches. With one or two exceptions, all the other students have been appointed to Mission fields in different parts of the Dominion for the summer vacation.

The session was brought to a close with a large and much interested meeting on April 9th. The Rev. Messrs. Morton, of Hamilton, and Hunter, of London, in willing response to the invitation sent them, delivered the addresses to the students and churches, for which they deserve the best thanks of this meeting.

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Official reports have been received from the Faculty of Arts of the University touching the progress of the students attending the classes therein. Mr. Currie has passed the Examinations for the degree of B.A., and Mr. Jno. P. Gerrie has passed for the Intermediate Examination. Messrs. Braithwaite, Gerrie (Jno. P.),

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Pedley, (H.,) Macallum, Pritchard, and Mason, have passed the Examinations and kept the terms of their respective years, as undergraduates.

During the vacation the Principal was able to visit the churches at Ottawa, Toronto, Guelph, Stratford, London, Paris, and Brantford, on behalf of the college; and from all he received and reported a hearty welcome, and much generous interest manifested for the college.

The secretary attended the meetings of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and four places besides, at which he did and said what he could for the same object.

A pleasing incident of the session, was the presentation to the college, by Mrs. Jno. Popham, of Montreal, of a portrait painted from the life, by Miss Brooks, an English artist, of our revered friend the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, for many years principal of the college. Your Board accepted this valuable gift, which now hangs in the Assembly Hall of the college, in the following terms, which they think should be recorded here:—

"Resolved unanimously:-That the Board have great pleasure in accepting from Mrs. Popham her valuable gift to the College of the portrait of one who has had such a long and honourable connection with the college, and with the Denomination for which it is sustained, as their revered friend, Rev. Dr. Wilkes, has had; and they respectfully tender to Mrs. Popham their cordial thanks for her gift."

Under the careful superintendence of Rev. E. M. Hill, who has kindly, by appointment of your Board, acted as librarian, the books have been carefully transferred to the new building, and re-arranged in the room set apart for the library. A very valuable addition has been made to the library by the donation of some three hundred volumes, carefully selected from the library of the late Rev. E. Ebbs, at the request of Mrs. Ebbs, by Rev. H. D. Powis. For a time Mr. Ebbs was Secretary of the College, and was always a zealous friend and liberal promoter of its interests, as well as one of its oldest students—facts which your Board recognized last June by inviting him to speak on behalf of the Alumni at the dedication of the college, but owing to the weak state of his health he had to reluctantly decline the invitation. Your Board acknowledged this gift by the following resolution of thanks to Mrs. Ebbs:—

"Resolved:—That as a Board we respectfully beg to tender to Mrs. Ebbs our sincere sympathy and condolence with her in the heavy loss she has sustained by the death of her much-esteemed husband. Mr. Ebbs was for a time secretary of the college and a member of the Board of Directors, and through the whole of his ministerial life a warm friend and supporter of this

institution; and, therefore, whilst thanking Mrs. Ebbs for her timely and valuable gift of books to the library now reported, we beg to assure her that in no better way could she have perpetuated, in connection with the college, the memory of him whom all who knew him held in high respect for the sterling worth of his character and usefulness of his life."

In accordance with the resolution of the last Annual Meeting, your Board have to report that they have, in conjunction with the Faculty, drawn up a course of study, and framed regulations for giving effect to the provisions of the Act to confer Degrees in Divinity, a copy of which they now submit.

Passing on to what may be designated as the family-life of the college, your Board are pleased to be able to report that regulations and arrangements based on the principles submitted to the last Annual Meeting have been framed, and have been found to work satisfactorily.

The college has been fortunate in securing for the position of matron a lady who came from England with high testimonials as to her capacity and skill; and it is simply due to her to say, that by her attention, and good management of the household, she has more than justified the recommendations she brought with her.

A House Committee was appointed to exercise, in conjunction with the matron, a genereral supervision of affairs, and they deserve thanks for the care and economy with which they have done their work. The Principal also has faithfully fulfilled the part devolving upon him as head of the college family. The general result has been more successful and gratifying than might have been reasonably anticipated, considering the new and untried circumstances under which the session began, and that, too, in a new building, Not a case of serious ill health occurred in the whole household; the students enjoyed something of the comfort and feeling of home-life, of which they have not been backward in showing their appreciation; nor has any trouble or improper conduct arisen on their part, calling for the intervention of the college authorities, and thus have they sustained the high reputation borne by the students of this college, with only here and there an exception, all through the past years of its history.

Gratifying too, is the financial aspect of the case, showing as it does that all these good results have been secured with a singular economy of expenditure, the report of the House Committee showing—total disbursements, \$1,838.34; receipts for board, \$1,541.70.

Your Board recommend that Lists of Benefactors, in money or books, above a given sum, be printed in the Annual Reports of the College; and for this purpose they have had such lists carefully prepared.

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wing as it a singular ittee show-\$1,541.70. money or Reports of lists careDr. Wilkes, as Treasurer of the uninvested portion of the second \$20,000 Endowment Fund, reports that one addition of \$100 has been made to the fund during the year, and \$5.72 interest. The amount now in the Savings Bank is \$284.50; \$3,000 on account of this fund having been invested, as reported to the last Annual Meeting.

The Treasurer's statement herewith presented, shows:—Receipts from all sources, \$6,287.14. In these are included \$1,201-, 39, grant from the Colonial Missionary Society; \$2,026.35, contributions from churches or persons to current expense fund; \$1,-541.70, payments by students on account of board; and \$1,430.-

30, interest from Endowment Funds.

The Disbursements have amounted to \$6,853.96; in which are included \$2,600.00 on account of salaries to Professors and Lecturers; \$1,320, grants to students in aid of board; \$1,838.34, on account of house-keeping; and \$533.33, payments special to the year. Thus, a balance of \$905.29 remains due the Treasurer, which includes the above named special sum of \$533.33, and the deficit of \$338.47 from last year; or \$871.80, which leaves the real deficit on account of the past session, \$133.49.

In view of the extraordinary effort made by the Churches and individuals, whereby the sum of \$1,344.37 was actually raised for the Furnishing Fund, and in view of the exceptionally large number of Students in attendance, the state of the Finances need not be regarded as discouraging, but rather the opposite, showing as it does enlarged generosity and sympathy on behalf of the College. At the same time, your Board feel it to be their duty to urge with renewed emphasis upon the attention of all concerned the imperative claims of the College to a generous support, if it is to be maintained in a state of proper efficiency for doing the important work required by the Churches at its hands.

In accordance with §2, Chap. II., of the By-laws, the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, Rev. W. H. Allworth, Messrs. Jamieson, Theo. Lyman and Walker are the retiring members of the Board this year, but they are eligible for re-election. Under the altered conditions of the Board's existence it is deemed proper by the Board not to present any nomination for filling these vacancies, but to leave the

matter in the hands of the Annual Meeting.
All which is respectfully submitted by your Board.

GEORGE CORNISH, LL. D.,

Secretary.

MONTREAL, June 4th, 1885.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

THE CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA, IN ACCOUNT . WITH R. C. Jamieson, Treasurer, for the Year ending May 31, 1885.

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LIFE MEMBERS.

Life-members of the Corporation, by a donation of two hundred dollars or upwards (not annual subscriptions) to the funds of the College. (Vide § 5, Cap. I., of By-laws and Regulations.)

Anderson, Robert, Montreal, Que	\$5250	00
Baker, Rev. Thomas, Hamilton, Ont	250	
Burland, G. B., Montreal, Que	2500	00
Caldwell, Boyd, Lanark, Ont	500	00
Caldwell, W. C., Lanark, Ont	250	00
Carter, W. P., Cowansville, Que	500	00
Fenwick, G. S. Kingston, Ont	500	00
*Hamilton, Norman, Paris, Ont	500	00
Hague, George, Montreal, Que	5900	00
Jackson, Joseph, Montreal, Que	4000	00
Jamieson, R. C., Montreal, Que	400	00
Lee, Henry, M.P., Manchester, England	243	00
Lyman, Henry, Montreal, Que	350	00
Lyman, Mrs. Henry, Montreal, Que	250	00
Linton, James, Montreal Que	250	00
*Lymai. Benjamin, Montreal, Que	300	00
McLachlan, J. S., Montreal, Que	5500	00
*Mills, J. Remington, Turnbridge Wells, England	243	00
Morley, Samuel, M.P., London, Eng	1452	00
Robertson, B. W., Kingston, Ont	500	00
*Robertson, George, Senr., Kingston, Ont	500	00
*Robertson, Mrs. Geo., Senr., Kingston, Ont	200	00
Smillie, W. C., Poughkeepsie, N. Y	5000	00
Sommerville, Wm., Bristol, England	486	00
Spicer, James, J. P., Woodford, Essex	487	77
Wilkes, Rev. Dr., Montreal, Que	200	
Wilkes, Geo. H., Brantford, Ont	200	00

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THE LILLIE MEMORIAL FUND, \$5000.

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Henry Wilkes, D.D. "	50	
George W. Moss,	50	
Daniel Butters,	50	
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James Baylis,	50	-
George S. Fenwick, Kingston	50	
Geo. Robertson & Son, 11	50	
Mrs. Thos. Hendry, "	50	00
The Colonial Missionary Society, England	456	00
Portion of a former fund collected by Dr. Lillie, and invested		
in Canada Permanent Building Society Stock 1	.079	00
(2) Churches by contributions of less than \$50:—		
ONTARIO.	10	00
Alton	10	-
Brantford	91	-
Bowmanville Burford	52	00
Forest	-	00
Georgetown		00
Guelph	150	-
Kingston (in addition to the personal subscriptions above)	110	00
London	33	13
Manilla		30
Oro, Rugby, and Vespra		00
Paris	100	
Stratford	18	00
Valetta Warwich	22	
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Zion Church, Montreal, in addition to the personal subs. above	442	90
Montreal American Presbyterian Church	1 4 4	00
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Beach Meadows	2	55
Brooklyn	7	25
Chebogue	6	50
Halifax		00
Liverpool		00
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Legacy by the late Thomas Fletcher, of Beverly, Ontario	1500	00
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Subscriptions paid by the Alumni direct, and through Rev.		
K. M. Fenwick	415	00
The balance, after assigning a portion to the Lillie Memorial		
Fund of Canada Permanent Building Society's Stock	206	00
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REPORTS OF EXAMINATIONS, 1884-85.

CHRISTMAS EXAMINATIONS, 1884.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY.

Class I.—Pedley (J.W.) B.A. and Whyte, equal; Gerrie (A.W.) B.A., Davies, McAdie; Currie and Hart, equal; McLeod. Class II.—Unsworth, B.A.

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CHURCH HISTORY.

Class I.—Pedley (J.W.), Unsworth, Davies, Gerrie, Whyte, Hart. Class II.
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SESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS, 1885.

PRIZE LIST.

Calvary Church Silver Medal—George Whyte.
Robert Anderson Prize of \$50 for Third Year—J. W. Pedley, B. A.
Robert Anderson Prize of \$30 for Second Year—(Not Awarded.)
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OLD TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION.

Class I.—Pedley (J. W.), Whyte, Gerrie (A. W.), Unsworth, McLeod. Class

II.—Hart, Davies, McAdie, Currie. CHURCH HISTORY.

Class I.—Pedley (J. W.), Whyte, Unsworth, McAdie, Gerrie (A. W.), McLeod, Currie. Class II.—Hart, Davies.

THE DECALOGUE (SENIOR CLASS).

Class I.—Pedley (J. W.), Whyte, Gerrie (A. W.), Currie.
HISTORY OF THE O. T. CANON (SENIOR CLASS).

Class I.—Pedley (J. W.), Whyte, Gerrie (A. W).

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HOMILETICS.

Class I.—Whyte, Pedley (J. W.), Unsworth, Hart, Gerrie (A. W.). Class II.—McLeod, McAdie, Davies.

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGRE-GATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY, 1885.

The annual meeting was held in the Congregational Church at Hamilton, Ont., on June 12th, 1885.

P. H. Burton, Esq., of Toronto, Northern Church, was appointed Chairman, and the Rev. A. Mcfadyen, of Kingston, Secretary. The meeting was opened by prayer, after which Geo. Hague, Esq., on behalf of the Directors, read the annual report and financial statement.

On motion the report and financial statement were adopted.

Moved by Geo. Hague, Esq., seconded by Rev. D. McGregor,-

That the following gentlemen constitute the Board of Directors for the ensuing year:—Messrs. J. S. McLachlan, C. R. Black, Chas. Alexander, R. C. Jamieson, Geo. Hague, H. W. Walker, Chas. Cushing, T.-B. Macaulay, G. W. Moss, Francis Scholes. Carried.

Rev. W. H. Watson, of Chebogue, N.S., made application for beneficiary membership in the W. and O. branch. His application was supported by Revs. T. Hull and D. Macallum, and on ballot he was declared duly elected.

The Rev. W. H. Allworth was appointed to present the claims of the Society to the Union now in session.

On motion a vote of thanks was tendered to C. R. Black, Esq., Secy.-Treas, for the services which he has rendered the Society. The minutes having been taken as read the meeting adjourned.

A. MACFADYEN,

Minute Secretary.

Hamilton, June 12th, 1885.

ANNUAL REPORT.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH MAY, 1885.

The report which your Board had to lay before you last year was a painfully disappointing one; and the prospects for the coming year were very doubtful and unpromising. The Board feared that necessity might compel them to make a reduction in the annuities; but, as is often the case, God was better to us than our fears, and we are now most thankful to have to report that this step has not been required. All the annuities have been promptly paid, though they amounted to one hundred dollars more than we had calculated upon.

At the last annual meeting it was resolved "That the Secreta"ry be, and he is hereby, instructed to prepare and issue a circu"lar, appealing to all the Churches to place the Fund once more
"upon a stable basis, by agreeing to subscribe certain fixed
"amounts annually, and that they signify their response to such
"appeal not later than the month of September next."

In accordance therewith the Secretary prepared and issued a circular to eighty-three Churches. In response thereto thirty-three Churches sent subscriptions amounting to \$909.27; and donations were received to the extent of \$67.25, making the total of free contributions during the year \$976.52. In our last report we expressed our conviction that the Churches would loyally stand by the Society in its time of need; and we are greatly gratified to have to say that our confidence was not misplaced. Let the Churches continue to support the Society in the same

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manner for a comparatively short time, and by God's blessing the Fund will be once more in a stable financial position; but meantime the help of the Churches is absolutely necessary to enable us to keep up the payment of the annuities; and we would earnestly urge the large proportion of Churches who did not respond to the appeal last year, to commence the good work in the coming year The usefulness of the Fund cannot be questioned, nor the good done overestimated, when it is considered that it has paid up to this time, to the widows of deceased ministers, the sum of \$10,350.

The Board regrets to report that since last meeting our much esteemed brother, Rev. Edward Ebbs, has been taken away; and his widow has been added to the list of annuitants, which latter now embraces ten widows and seven children, and involves an annual payment of \$1,180, as will be seen by the financial statement.

The investments of the Widows' and Orphans' Branch have yielded about the amount we estimated in our last report. The Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company resumed the payment of dividends in September; and two semi-annual dividends have been received during the year, at the rate of six per cent. per annum on the reduced value of the stock.

One item in the receipts may require explanation, viz: "Provincial Loan Company stock dividend ten per cent., \$315."

The Branch holds sixty-three shares of the stock of this company, which for some years past has paid no dividend. This was valued in our last year's statement at sixty per cent. The Company is now in liquidation, and has commenced to pay back stock dividends to its shareholders. This item of \$315 represents the joint stock dividend of ten per cent.; and in the statement of investments the stock is reduced by the amount so received.

The actual excess of receipts over expenditure on the year has been \$487, and we hope through the continued liberality of the Churches in the coming year, that we may be able to report a surplus of at least no less a sum.

RETIRING MINISTERS' BRANCH.

The attention of the Churches having been specially given to the imperative needs of the Widows' and Orphans Branch, all their collections for the year have been devoted to it, consequently the increase on this Branch on the year merely represents the interest and premiums from Beneficiaries. Its investments amount now to \$3,000, of which \$2,000 is interest bearing.

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The following Churches have made collections for the Society during the year, and are entitled to representation by one delegate at the annual meeting:—

FOR WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH-33.

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Communion Col 16 75	Frome and Shedden 13 00
Montreal, Calvary 25 00	Bowmanville 10 00
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Toronto, Mount Zion 5 00	Stouffville 7 00
Toronto, Yorkville 10 00	Margaree 5 00
Kingston, 1st	Unionville 5 00
Granby	Kincardine 5 00
Ottawa	Chebogue 5 00
Guelph	
Lanark Village 22 83	Wiarton 5 00
Brantford 20 00	Sarnia 4 00
Danville	Waterville 4 00
Yarmouth 20 00	1

DONATIONS FOR WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH:

Western Asso. of Churches\$	10	00	Mrs. Peacock	5 00
Rev. T. Baker	30	00	Mrs. Ebbs	4 00
Mrs. Brigham	70	00	Mrs. McGregor	2 00
Mr. D. Bentley	5	25	Rev. Jacob Whitman	1 00

The following life members have been added during the year:

Miss M. Porteous, Miss Edith McLachlan, Mr. Frank Black, all of Montreal, and Rev. T. Baker, of Hamilton.

LIST OF BENEFICIARIES-WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH-20.

Rev. W. H. Allworth.	Rev. S. N. Jackson.	Rev. W. W. Smith.
" R. K. Black.	" D. Macallum.	" Dr. Stevenson.
" Dr. Cornish.	" John McKillican.	" S. Sykes.
B. W. Day.	" D. McGregor.	" J. Unsworth.
" T. Hall.	" E. C. W. McColl.	" John Wood,
" J. J. Hindley.	" J. G. Sanderson.	" J. B. Silcox.
" H. D. Hunter.	" E. D. Silcox.	

LIST OF BENEFICIARIES—RETIRING MINISTERS' BRANCH—9.

Rev. W. H. Allworth.	Rev. D. Macallum.	Rev. W. W. Smith.
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LIST OF ANNUITANTS—WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH.

Mrs. McGregor. Mrs. Parker. Mrs. Peacock.

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Ten widows and seven children.

The Treasurer's statement for the year is hereto annexed, and the whole respectfully submitted, on behalf of the Directors.

Chas. R. Black,

Secretary.

Montreal, 30th May, 1885.

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH, 30TH MAY, 1885					
### RECEIPTS. Balance on hand May 31st, 1884 Provincial Loan Co'y Stock Dividend, 10 %\$ 315 00 Loan from R. M. Branch	\$140 8				
Premiums from Beneficiaries	\$915 (2,006 ⁷)				
Paid Annuities	\$3,062	47			
Balance on hand	\$42 3,500 1,575	00			
Less money borrowed	\$15,075 5,600	00			
Investments 31st May, 1884	\$9,475 8,890				
Increase	\$585	00			
RETIRING MINISTERS' BRANCH, 30th May, 1885.					
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Loan to W & O. Branch		66			
Balance on hand	\$74 \$1,400 1,000 600	00			
Examined and found correct, CHAS. R. BLACK, Treasurer. J. W. MACDOUGALL, Auditors. J. B. LEARMONT,	\$3,000	00			

CONGREGATIONAL

PUBLISHING COMPANY.

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REV. DR. JACKSON,

MR. B. W. ROBERTSON,

MR. DAVID WILLIAMS, MR. J. S. McLachlan,

BY-LAWS.

- I. The annual meeting of the Company shall be held in connection with the annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, the day and hour to be fixed by the President and Secretary.
 - II. The number of Directors shall be nine, of whom four shall be a quorum.
- III. The qualification for a Director shall be the holding of two paid-up shares in the stock of the Company.
- IV. The officers of the Company shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Editors, to be annually chosen at the first meeting of the Board.
- V. The President, Secretary and Vice-President of the Company shall constitute an Executive Committee for the management of all matters arising between meetings of the Board of Directors.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

A General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Congregational Publishing Company was held in the Congregational Church, Hamilton, on Friday, 12th of June, 1885, at 4:30 p.m.

George Hague, Esq., was on motion called to the chair, and the

Rev. C. S. Pedley, B.A., appointed Secretary.

Minutes of last General Meeting read and confirmed.

The Secretary-Treasurer read the Directors' report and also the financial statement, which were on motion received and adopted.

The Rev. D. McCallum, moved, and the Rev. T. Hall, seconded,

That it be a recommendation to the Directors to consider the advisability of returning to a uniform price for the Year Book, and admitting some modification of the system which requires always cash payment in advance.—Carried.

It was also resolved,—

That a cordial vote of thanks be tendered to the Rev. S. N. Jackson, M.D., for his very efficient services in the editing of the Year Book.

The resolution was carried by a standing vote.

It was also resolved,—

That the Union be asked to appoint a time for considering the claims of the Publishing Company, and that the Rev. Dr. Jackson be asked to speak concerning the *Independent* and Year Book, and the Rev. W. H. Warriner concerning the Sunday School Publications.

Moved by the Rev. J. Wood, seconded by the Rev. T. Hail, and carried,—

That a cordial vote of thanks be given to the Rev. John Burton for his able conduct of the Canadian Independent.

Moved by Dr. Jackson, seconded by Mr. Burton, and carried,-

That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to the President and retiring Secretary for their efficient services.

In regard to the election of the Board for the ensuing year, it was moved by Mr. Burton, seconded by Mr. Hall, and carried,—

That the Secretary be instructed to cast a ballot in favour of the former Board of Directors as a whole.

It was on motion resolved that the minutes be taken as read. On motion the meeting was adjourned to meet in Ottawa next June.

The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Jackson.

C. S. Pedley, Minute Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Directors of the Congregational Publishing Company herewith submit to the shareholders their statement and report for

the year ending 31st May, 1885.

The Canadian Independent has been edited and conducted by the Rev. John Burton, B.D., during another year with his usual care and ability. The financial statement in regard to the Independent shows an even balance between receipts and expenditures; there is however an indebtedness of \$33.88 due to the editor and manager, which goes into the accounts of another year.

The very able Sunday School Notes gratuitously prepared by H. J. Clark, Esq., have been discontinued as other means have been provided to supply our Sunday Schools with necessary liter-

ature, to which reference will be made further on.

The Directors express regret that the Churches do not take a greater interest in this, the chief bond of union among us It is hoped that the subscriptions will be greatly multiplied during

the coming year.

The YEAR BOOK has again been edited by The Rev. S. N. Jackson, M.D. It is sufficient to say that it is equal to any of its predecessors and a volume of which the Congregational Churches in Canada may well be proud. There is in this department a balance of \$157.64 in hand for the operations of the ensuing year.

It is with regret that we have to record the resignation of Dr. Jackson of a work which he has so ably conducted for several years. The shareholders of this company and the denomination as a whole owe a debt of gratitude to Dr. Jackson for his valuable

services in this connection.

It is with pleasure however that we have to announce, that while the pressure of other work has compelled Dr. Jackson to give up the management of the Year Book, a successor has been found in the Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D., who will spare no pains to keep up the reputation which the Year Book has won under his predecessor.

A change has also been made in the matter of the Secretary-Treasurer. David Higgins, Esq., who for four years has faithfully and gratuitously served the company in that capacity, resigned

his position in August of last year.

Your Directors have already expressed to Mr. Higgins their appreciation of his work and thanks for his services. The Rev. W. H. Warriner was appointed his successor.

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s their ape Rev. W. In pursuance of the instructions of the last Annual Meeting, your Directors have made arrangements with the Congregational Publishing Society of Boston for the providing of Sunday School literature for our Sunday Schools.

The arrangements entered into with the Boston House are very generous towards this company. The Boston Society also engages to place Congregational Churches in Canada on the same footing as the Churches in the United States in respect to donations of Sunday School literature to needy Missionary Churches, on the understanding however, that if such assistance amount to anything considerable, our Churches shall contribute to the Missionary Funds of the Society as do the Churches in the United States. This department was also put into the hands of the Rev. W. H. Warriner, whose report, including the sale of Church Hymn Books, shows that a business of \$220.56 has been done with a net profit to the company of \$21.91.

There are 22 Churches in Ontario which have purchased these

publications during the past year.

It is to be hoped that before another report is presented, the number will be largely increased, and that the Quebec Churches as well as those in Ontario will realize the advantages of using these papers, which are according to the competent authority of the last National Congregational Council, equal to any and superior to most.

We earnestly commend these publications to the patronage of all the Churches, confident that they will prove of great advan-

tage to the Denomination.

In concluding this Report, the Directors would express the satisfaction with which they close the operations of another year. The company is in a much better position now than when the present Board took office. Every department is in healthy operation, and the outlook for the future is most encouraging.

W. H. WARRINER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MAY, 1885.

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W. H. WARRINER,

Secretary-Treasurer.

Audited and found correct. DAVID HIGGINS.

Toronto, 9th June, 1885.

PART IV.

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CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOGIETY

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR 1885-6.

PRESIDENT:

Rev. Dr. Cornish, 177 Drummond St., Montreal, Que.

SUPERINTENDENT:

REV. THOS. HALL, 479 Princess St., Kingston, Ont.

SECRETARY:

REV. SAMUEL N. JACKSON, M.D., 84 Gore St., Kingston, Ont.

TREASURER:

B. W. Robertson, Esq., Kingston, Ont.

HONORARY SECRETARY:

REV. HENRY WILKES, D.D., LL.D., Montreal, Que.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:*

REV. H. D. HUNTER,

REV. JOHN BURTON, B.D.,

REV. JOHN WOOD,

REV. GEO. WILLETT,

REV. J. G. SANDERSON

REV. WM. McIntosh,

Jas. Woodrow, Esq.

GENERAL COMMITTEE: *

REV. W. H. ALLWORTH,

REV. D. McGregor, B.A.,

REV. H. PEDLEY, B.A.,

REV. E. M. HILL, B.A.,

REV. J. MORTON,

REV. B. W. DAY,

REV. JOSEPH BARKER,

REV. S. SYKES,

MR. GEO. HAGUE,

MR. JAMES GOLDIE,

MR. GEORGE SCOTT,

Mr. H. Cox,

Mr. George Pim,

MR. JAMES JARVIS,

MR. R. McLachlan,

MR. WM. CLYDE.

AUDITORS

WM. NEISH, Esq., and Geo. MILLS, Esq., Kingston.



*The Executive Committee includes all the officers as above, and the Gen' eral Committee includes the Executive Committee.

NOTICE.

It is becoming more than ever a practice among Christian people to recognize the Lord's portion in their Last Wills and Testaments whereby, though they be dead they still speak and act in the furtherance of Missionary, Educational and Benevolent objects. American Congregationalists are among the most wise and generous in this way, and have left legacies of blessings for succeeding generations. Among the members of our Congregational Churches in Canada there have also been those who have followed a like wise and generous course.

For the guidance of those who may desire to make like bequests the following legal form is subjoined. The amount bequeathed may be devoted specially to the Church Extension and Building Fund, in which case the income would only be used, or it may be given for the general purposes of the Society.

FORM FOR A BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, incorporated by the Legislature of Ontario A. D. 1873, the sum of......out of my estate, to be paid......without any charge or deduction whatever; and I direct that the receipt of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Society shall constitute and be a sufficient discharge thereof.

Note.—Such bequest must be made at least six months before the testator's decease.

CONSTITUTION.

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ARTICLE III. - MEMBERSHIP.

All persons being members or adherents of Congregational churches paying two dollars annually into the funds of the Society shall be members, and those who subscribe at one time twenty dollars or more shall be life members. Churches subscribing annually ten dollars or more may be represented at the annual meetings of the Society by one delegate, and churches subscribing fifty dollars or more may be represented by two delegates. Each Auxiliary branch contributing annually to the funds of the Society ten dollars or more may be represented by one delegate. The above mentioned subscribers and delegates shall constitute the membership of the Corporation.

ARTICLE IV. - OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Superintendent and two Auditors. The Standing Committees shall be a General Committee and an Executive Committee. These officers and committees shall be appointed at the annual meeting of the Society, and shall all be members of the Corporation. The General Committee shall consist of the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Superintendent, and not more than twenty-five members. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, the Superintendent, the Honorary Secretary, and one member from each District Association within the bounds of the operations of the Society, who may be nominated by the Association.

ARTICLE V .- DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and its committees when practicable, and shall seek to promote the general interests of the Society's work.

The Secretary shall have charge of the books and correspondence of the Society, shall call the meetings of the Society and its committees, and shall exhibit the records of proceedings at each meeting.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Society, disbursing them as directed by the General or Executive Committees, and shall present annually a full account of all receipts and disbursements.

The Superintendent shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee, to whom he shall report quarterly, visit the churches of the Congregational order within the bounds of the Society's operations with a view of deepening their interest in its work and of securing liberal contributions for the Society, and shall explore new mission fields, secure missionaries for vacant churches, and have a general oversight of the interests and work of the Society.

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The Executive Committee shall have full charge and power for the administration of the affairs of the Society during the interval between the annual meetings of the General Committee; shall receive all applications from churches for aid from the Society and report thereon to the General Committee, to whom they shall also make an annual report of their proceedings.

ARTICLE VI. -MEETINGS.

This Corporation shall meet annually on the first Thursday after the first Sunday in June at the place where the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec assembles. A public annual missionary meeting shall be held on the evening of the same day. Special meetings for the despatch of special business may be called by the Executive Committee at such time and place as may be deemed desirable, provided that a month's notice be given thereof. The General Committee shall hold their annual meeting at the same time and place as the Corporation at the call of the Secretary, and the Executive Committee shall hold their quarterly meetings at the time and place it may be agreed upon.

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All sums of money specially collected, given or bequeathed for the purpose, together with the proceeds received from the sale of disused church property, shall form a Church Extension and Building Fund, which shall be invested by the Corporation who may apply the income thereof by the General or the Executive Committee by way of loans or otherwise for the organization of churches in new fields, and for the erection or enlargement of places of worship where they may be required.

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Auxiliary branches of this Society may be formed in churches and localities, to co-operate in the work of the Society. Each branch shall, at least one month previous to the annual meeting of the Society, make an annual report to the Secretary, and send to the Treasurer all funds collected on its behalf.

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Each missionary in the employment of this Society must be a regularly accredited member of a Congregational Church, and shall endeavor faithfully to promote all the interests of the Congregational denomination in Canada. He shall send to the Secretary a half-yearly statement of his work on or before the first days of December and May in each year, and furnish such statistical returns as may be called for.

ARTICLE X.-MISSIONS.

Each church requiring a missionary grant by the General Committee must make application therefor through the Secretary at least one month previous to the annual meeting of the Society according to the printed forms provided, in which a certificate to the effect that all previous pledges of support to its pastor have been fulfilled shall be inserted. Churches aided by this Society

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Churches aided by this Society are required so far as practicable in the settlement and dismissal of pastors to carry out the recommendations passed by the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec in 1876 in relation to Councils. In cases where this is impracticable the sanction of the Executive Committee must be obtained before a settlement or dismissal of a pastor is consummated.

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The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be the duly authorized persons on behalf of the General Committee or the Executive Committee to convey and accept conveyances of real estate and to receive and discharge mortgages as advised from time to time by the Corporation, and shall affix the Corporation seal to all such legal documents when required.

ARTICLE XIII. -- AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society, one day's notice having previously been given of the proposed amendment in writing.

AN ACT RESPECTING THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Whereas the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, a corporation duly incorporated by the Legislature of the Province of Ontario, and the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, a corporation duly incorporated by Acts of the Legislatures of the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, have, for general mission purposes, united and amalgamated by unanimous consent, under the name of the Congregational Society, and since the month of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, have carried on operations as one society, under the above name; and whereas the said amalgamated societies have, by petition, set forth that they are desirous of having the said union ratified, and have prayed that they may be constituted one corporation, under the name of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, and as such be vested with the property, real and personal, of both of the said societies, and be granted such powers as are needed for the purposes of the said corporation throughout Canada; and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

- 1. The union of the said two corporations, on the basis agreed upon between themselves, as set forth in the schedule A, hereunto attached, is hereby ratified and confirmed, and the said amalgamated corporations are hereby constituted and declared to be one body corporate and politic, by the name of "The Canada Congregational Missionary Society."
- 2. The objects of the society shall be to plant and foster Congregational churches in suitable localities, to aid churches in sustaining their pastor, where required, and the manner and conditions of its conduct and management, shall be as set forth in the constitution thereof, a copy whereof is hereto attached as schedule B.
- 3. All the estate, real and personal, belonging to or held in trust for or to the use of either of the said heretofore existing societies, shall henceforth be held by and vested in, or held in trust for, as the case may be, the corporation hereby constituted, upon the same trusts and for the same purposes for which they have heretofore been so held as aforesaid.
- 4. All the property, real and personal, under the jurisdiction of the Parliament of Canada, held in trust for or to the use of any congregation, station or mission in connection with either of the heretofore existing societies, shall henceforth be held, used and administered under the same trusts and in the same manner in connection with the corporation hereby constituted.
- 5. The said corporation may acquire, by purchase, gift, devise or otherwise, and hold and convey, such real estate, not exceeding five thousand dollars in annual value, as the purposes of the said corporation require: Provided, that the corporation shall, within ten years after its acquisition of any real estate, sell or otherwise dispose of and alienate so much of such real estate as is not required for the purposes of the corporation: and provided also, that any devise of real estate shall be subject to the laws respecting devises of real estate to religious corporations, in force at the time of such devise, in the Province or Territory in which such real estate is situate, so far as the same apply to the said corporation.

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7. The said corporation may, from time to time, for the purpose of investment, lend money upon the security of real estate, and purchase debentures of municipal or public school corporations, or Government securities, and from time to time may realize such securities as it deems expedient.

8. If at any time the said corporation shall need a temporary advance of money for the purposes for which it is incorporated, it shall have the power to secure such advance by way of mortgage upon its real estate or otherwise, as shall be determined by the general or executive committee for the time being.

SCHEDULE A.

For general missionary purposes, it is hereby agreed that a union be and is nereby consummated between the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, the latter society consenting thereto through its representatives.

1. That the Maritime Provinces be recognized as having within their bounds two or more district associations, which associations shall be represented on the executive committee by one representative from each, such representative to be nominated by the Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick at its annual meeting.

2. That they be represented on the general committee by such delegates as the Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick may annually nominate,

the number not to exceed four.

3. That the committee of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick shall collect the income accruing from the invested funds, and shall, through its treasurer, forward the same to the treasurer of the society, on the understanding that the full amount shall be returned annually, to be expended within the bounds of the Maritime Provinces, or as the terms of bequest may demand.

4. That it shall be the duty of the Missionary Superintendent to make periodical and special visits, if necessary, to the Provinces of Nova Scotia and

New Brunswick.

5. That this union shall go into effect on the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

SCHEDULE B.

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The officers of this society shall be a president, a secretary, a treasurer, a superintendent and two auditors. The standing committees shall be a general committee and an executive committee. There shall also be a board of three trustees, who shall have charge of the church extension and building fund. These officers and committees shall be appointed at the annual meeting of the society, and shall all be members of the corporation. The general committee shall consist of not more than twenty-five members. The executive committee shall be composed of the president, the secretary, the treasurer, the superintendent, the honorary secretary and one member from each district association within the bounds of the operations of the society, who may be nominated by the association.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Corporation of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society was held in the Congregational Church, Hamilton, June 11th, 1885, at 2 p. m.

The President, the Rev. Dr. Cornish, was in the chair, and the Rev. C. Duff, M.A., was appointed minute secretary. Prayer was offered by the Rev. George Purkis.

The Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Jackson, read the annual report and the Treasurer's statement, in the absence of B. W. Robertson, Esq.

On motion of the Rev. Principal Stevenson, seconded by the Rev. W. H. Allworth, it was

Resolved, That the report now read together with the Treasurer's statement be received and adopted, and that they together with the proceedings of this meeting, the Act of Incorporation and the usual reports and lists be printed in the Year Book for 1885-6.—Carried.

The Superintendent, the Rev. Thomas Hall, then presented his annual report. Moved by the Rev.W. F. Clarke, seconded by the Rev. J. B. Silcox, and

Resolved,—That the Superintendent's report be submitted to a committee to be appointed by the chair, who shall report thereon at an adjourned meeting.—Carried.

The committee appointed by the President consisted of Revs. J. Wood, Wm. Hay, W. F. Clarke, and Messrs. Geo. Hague and P. H. Burton.

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H. J. Clark, Esq., moved, and the Rev. J. G. Sanderson second-ed the following resolution.

Resolved,—That the following be and are hereby appointed officers and members of committees for the year 1885-6, namely: President, Rev. Dr. Cornish; Secretary, Rev. Dr. Jackson; Superintendent, Rev. Thomas Hall; Treasurer, B. W. Robertson, Esq.; Honorary-Secretary, Rev. Dr. Wilkes; Executive Committee, the officers as above together with Revs. H. D. Hunter, John Burton, B.D., John Wood, George Willett, J. G. Sanderson, Wm. McIntosh and James Woodrow, Esq.; General Committee, the Executive Committee as above, together with Revs. W. H. Allworth, J. Morton, D. McGregor, M.A, H. Pedley, B.A., B. W. Day, E. M. Hill, B.A., Joseph Barker, S. Sykes, and Messrs. Geo. Hague, J. Goldie, H. Cox, Geo. Pim, Geo. Scott, James Jarvis, R. McLachlan, Wm. Clyde.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. D. McGregor, M.A., seconded by Rev. R. K. Black, and

Resolved,—That the Union agreed upon by the delegates of this Society and the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and NewBrunswick for Mission work, be and is hereby ratified by this Corporation.—Carried.

It was moved by the Rev. B. W. Day, seconded and unanimously

Resolved,—That the Act of Incorporation secured from the Dominion Parliament entitled "an Act respecting the Canada Congregational Missionary Society," be and is hereby adopted by this Corporation, and that the best thanks of this Society be tendered to the Hon. J. J. C. Abbott, M.P., and the Hon. Senator Sullivan, M.D., for their kind offices in this matter.

The Rev. Wm. Hay moved, seconded by Mr. J. Villiers, and

Resolved,—That the following be the delegation to visit the brethren assembled in the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to convey to them our cordial greetings and to seek to further the interests of our mission work, namely, the Rev.Dr. Jackson and the Rev. John Burton, B.D.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. D. Macallum, seconded and

Resolved,—That in the opinion of this Society it is desirable to secure the services of a suitable evangelist who shall be the accredited Missionary Evangelist of the Society, to labor under the direction of the Executive Committee with our churches and mission fields, and the Committee are requested to consider this matter with full power to act.—Carried.

On motion the following was unanimously carried:

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Society be hereby given to the Colonial Missionary Society, for the aid rendered in carrying on our mission work in Canada, and that the Committee of that Society be informed that in our opinion there was never a time when such aid is likely to produce so encouraging results as at the present.

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Moved by Rev. H. D. Hunter, seconded by H. J. Clark, Esq., and

Resolved,—That in the opinion of this Corporation, mission work should be undertaken in the Province of British Columbia, and that the Executive Committee be requested to open a mission there as soon as practicable. Further that the Secretary be instructed to lay this matter before the Committee of the Colonial Missionary Society, with the request that a special grant for this work be made by that Society.

As the time for adjournment had arrived, consideration of this question was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

The Secretary then gave notice of the following amendments to the constitution which he would move at an adjourned meeting:

(1) In Article Second, there should be inserted after the words "the object of the Society shall be," the following words, "as set forth in the Act of Incorporation, namely."

(2) In Article Four, the sentence relating to the Board of Trustees shall be struck out. After the words "The General Committee shall consist of" shall be added "the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Superintendent of Missions."

(3) In Article Five, the eighth paragraph relating to the Trustees shall be struck out.

(4) In Article Seven, the words "in the name of Trustees" shall be struck out and the words "by the Corporation" shall be substituted therefor.

(5) In Article Twelve, after the words "on behalf of the General Committee" there shall be inserted the words "or the Executive Committee; also after the words "to convey and accept conveyances of real estate," there shall be added the words, "and to receive and discharge mortgages."

The meeting then adjourned to assemble at the call of the President.

The Annual Missionary meeting was held on Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Cornish presiding. After the usual devotional services, the Rev. William Hastings, of London, England, addressed the meeting. He was followed by the Rev. C. S. Pedley, B.A., of New Durham, Ont. The last address was by the Rev. Dr. Stevenson, Principal of the Congregational College. The audience was large and appreciative; the choir of the church did excellent service, and the collection amounted to \$33.32.

SATURDAY, June 13th.

On Saturday, June 13th, an adjourned meeting of the Society was held at 12 m., the President in the chair. The resolution relating to British Columbia was discussed and unanimously adopted. The report of the committee to whom the Superintendent's

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Resolved,—That the Superintendent's report be received and printed in the Year Book.—Carried.

Moved by the Rev. Dr. Jackson, and seconded by Rev. John Burton, B.D., and

Resolved,—That the Executive Committee have authority to return the interest paid on the loan from the Church Extension and Building Fund by the Parkdale Church for the first year.—Carried.

Moved by the Rev. D. McGregor, M.A., and seconded by George Pim, Esq., and

Resolved,—That this Society in conjunction with the Canada Congregational' Foreign Missionary Society recommend the formation of a "Woman's Missionary Society," to aid in Home and Foreign Missionary work, and for this purpose that a Provisional Board be nominated to consist of ladies in the neighborhood of Ottawa, Kingston and Montreal, with a view of giving effect to this recommendation, namely—Mrs. John Wood, (convener), Mrs. A. J. Stephens, Mrs. J. R. Lamb, Ottawa; Mrs. J. F. Stevenson, Miss Martha Richardson, Montreal; Mrs. D. Macallum, St. Elmo; Mrs. W. D. Hendry, Mrs. B. W. Robertson, Miss M. Folger, Kingston; with power to add to their number.

On motion the minutes were taken as read and adopted, and the Society adjourned to meet in Ottawa, on Thursday, June 10th, 1886.

Samuel N. Jackson, Secretary. Charles Duff, Minute Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The thirty-second annual report of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society is presented to the members of the Corporation with feelings of great gratitude to God, in that the lives of all the officers and missionaries have been spared, and a large measure of success has attended their services.

UNION WITH THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

At the last annual meeting the President and Secretary were appointed as your deputation to visit the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, with full power to negotiate and arrange with them a Union of the two Societies for Missionary work. The deputation, together with the Missionary Superintendent, attended the meeting held in Economy, N. S., and with the brethren there agreed upon the following plan of union, which was unanimously adopted:

"For general Missionary purposes it is hereby agreed that a "Union be and is hereby consummated between the Congrega-"tional Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and the Can-"ada Congregational Misionary Society—the latter Society con-"senting thereto through its representatives.

"1. That the Maritime Provinces be recognized as having two or more District Associations, which Associations shall be represented on the Executive Committee by one representative from each, such representative to be nominated by the Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick at its annual meeting.

"2. That they be represented on the General Committee by such delegates as the Union of Nova Scotia and New Bruns- wick may annually nominate, the number not to exceed four.

"3. That the Committee of the Congregational Union of Nova

"Scotia and New Brunswick shall collect the income accruing from the invested funds, and shall through its Treasurer forward the same to the Treasurer of the Society on the understanding that the full amount shall be returned annually to be expended within the bounds of the Maritime Provinces, or as the terms of bequest may demand.

"4. That it shall be the duty of the Missionary Superinten-"dent to make periodical and special visits if necessary to the "Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. July Sinch and greg brea

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"5. That this Union shall go into effect on the first day of

July, 1884."

Since the first of July last, the operations of this Society have included the Congregational Missions of the Maritime Provinces, and the mission field new open to us, and for which we as Congregationalists are responsible, is co-extensive with the length and breadth of the Dominion.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

In order legally to carry on the work of the Society in the various Provinces, it was found necessary to obtain from the Dominion Parliament an Act of Incorporation, sanctioning the Union with the Maritime Provinces and giving general corporate powers for the whole Dominion. Through the kind offices of the Hon. J. J. C. Abbott, M.P., the Hon Senator Sullivan, M.D., and others, this has been secured—the Parliament remitting all fees, less the necessary expenses for translation and printing. The best thanks of the Society are due to the gentlemen mentioned for the great interest they evinced in securing the passage of this Act.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Five meetings, including that immediately succeeding the last annual meeting, have been held during the year by the Executive Committee, at each of which a large amount of business has been attended to, usually occupying the attention of the members for two days. It has been proposed that the meeting in December, which is not of so great importance as the others, should be discontinued, in order thereby to proportionately decrease the expense of administration. While this would leave four meetings of the committee for the year, but two of these would call for travelling expenses, as both the first and the last in the year are held in connection with the annual gathering. The travelling expenses for the year now closed have been \$128.10, against \$80.-90 for the previous year.

MISSIONARY OPERATIONS.

The number of churches and mission stations under the care of the Society during the past year has been seventy-five, of which number forty-seven are organized churches and twenty-eight preaching stations. These are distributed throughout the Provinces as follows: Ontario, thirty churches and five stations; Quebec, five churches and nine stations; Nova Scotia, twelve churches and fourteen stations. Among these is the Indian Congregational Church at Saugeen and the French Congregational

Church at Belle Riviere. Several other fields have been open to us and their needs have been great, but for the want of both men and means we have been unable to occupy them. Owing to the unsettled state of Manitoba and the North West, and the difficulty in securing suitable men for the work, nothing has been done by the Society in that vast mission field during the year.

MARKS OF PROGRESS.

Aside from the general work of the Superintendent and Missionaries and the gratifying increase of church members, the following are special marks of progress which should encourage us; New churches have been organized in Belle Riviere, Quebec; Hawkesbury, Ont.; Dalston, Ont.; Fergus, Ont.; St. Thomas, Ont.; while in Woodstock, Ont., a mission has been started which bids fair in a short time to become a self-supporting church. The churches at Dalston and Fergus are not dependent upon the Society, but are associated with self-sustaining churches. In Noel, N. S., a parsonage and glebe of eighteen acres has been purchased. In Middleville, Ont., a beautiful stone church has been erected and its entire cost provided for. At Parkdale, Toronto, a lot has been purchased and they are proceeding to erect a church building. At Dalston, Ont., a new church has been built. In St. Thomas, Ont., a church and parsonage have been secured, and at Lake Shore, Forest, Ont., a church has been purchased. The Western church, Toronto, and St. Elmo, Ont., have decided to undertake to do without further aid from the Society, while one other church, namely, Bowmanville, Ont., is asking for a diminished grant.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

During the past few months several urgent letters have been received from Congregational Ministers in Washington Territory, U.S. setting forth the great need in the adjoining Province of British Columbia. In Western Washington Territory, there are over twenty Congregational churches, but just across the British lines not one. In the beautiful city of Victoria, the capital of the Province, which is seemingly destined to be the largest city in the North West, there are a number of Congregational families anxious to be organized into a church, while at New Westminster, Port Moody, Nanaim and several other places there are open doors and urgent needs. With the completion of the Pacific Railway, this fair Pacific Province is brought near to us, and its great mission claims should be recognized and undertaken.

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THE GEORGE ROBERTSON MISSION FUND.

There has been received from the estate of the late George Robertson, of Kingston, the additional sum of \$500, which with added interest now amounts to \$3,568.57. Of this sum \$1,700 is invested in a loan on real estate, secured by first mortgages, and bearing interest at six per cent. This fund will now give an income of about \$200, which income the Testator desired should be used in the employment of an Evangelist to labor among the Congregational churches of Ontario and Quebec.

EVANGELIST.

For a long time it has been felt that our churches have greatly needed a suitable and regularly accredited Evangelist who would be able to assist pastors in special work and give attention to our vacant mission fields. By supplementing the income of the George Robertson Mission Fund by about \$400, the Committee believe they could secure the services of a brother held in high esteem by our churches, who has had large experience in the ministry and who in the opinion of the Committee would be eminently successful in the work of an Evangelist. They would therefore request the consideration of this matter by the Corporation.

CHURCH EXTENSION AND BUILDING FUND.

To the Church Extension and Building Fund there has been added during the year \$218 received from the Meaford mortgage, which with the interest makes a total for this fund of \$1,297.21. Arrangements have been made to invest the greater part of this sum in a loan to the Parkdale church, Toronto, security being taken on their new church property. This loan calls for interest at six per cent., but it has been proposed that the Society should, through its committee, remit the interest for the first year or two and thus aid the newly planted church.

MANITOBA FUND.

The special and generous gift of \$2,000, made in the previous year for the opening of new fields in Manitoba and the North West, is still in the hands of the Society for the reasons before mentioned. This fund with accrued interest and a former balance now amounts to \$2,171.30. This will be administered as soon as the condition of things in those regions will warrant and suitable available missionaries can be found.

OTHER TRUST FUNDS.

Aside from the special sums mentioned, there are certain trust-funds connected with the Gorham bequests which have to be administered in connection with Congregational missions in Nova Scotia. These embrace the Gorham property in Liverpool, a mortgage in Halifax, amounting to \$1,200 old currency; eighteen shares in the Bank of Nova Scotia, and two shares in the Bank of British North America. Since the union in July last, the Treasurer has received \$126 from these funds.

FINANCES.

The total receipts for General Missionary purposes amount to \$6,318.88, and the expenditure to \$7,579, which leaves the sum of \$1,260.12 unprovided for The receipts from the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec are \$4,314.22, against \$4,930.35 of last year, leaving a shortage for these Provinces of \$616.13. The receipts from the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick are \$556.37 against \$1,338.42 of the former year, leaving a shortage for the Maritime Provinces of \$800.05; but in this connection it should be stated that the churches and invested funds of the lower Provinces have had to make up a deficiency of \$269.94 due their treasurer at the time of the union of the two Missionary Societies, so that their actual shortage is only \$530.11. The receipts from the churches within the bounds of the various Associations as compared with last year are as follows:—

	Association.	1884.	1885.	Decrease.	Increase.
Western.		.\$1,168.39.	\$981.17.	\$187.22.	
Central		. 1,029.74.	591.60.	438.14.	
Eastern.		. 898.88.	679.70.	219.18.	
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The expenditure for the past year, as stated above, has been \$7,579, against \$7,985.23, or \$406.23 less than the previous year, including Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The expenditure among the missions in the various associations as compared with last year is as follows:—

Association.	1884.	1885.	Decrease.	Increase.
Western	\$1,813.60.	\$1,880.65.		\$67.05.
Central	1,012.50.	914.58.	\$97.92.	
Eastern	869.23.	661.50.	207.73.	
Quebec	225.00.	389.00.		164.00.
Nova Scotia and New Bruns.	1,698.21.	766.80.	931.41.	

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The amount we shall be entitled to receive from the Colonial Missionary Society for this year will be \$974 against \$1,384 last year, a decrease of \$410. There is now due for the July quarter \$1,345, to provide for which there is only this amount of \$974 from the Colonial Society, leaving a further balance of \$371 to add to that already owing the Treasurer, and which will make our actual deficit \$1,631.

PROVIDING AGAINST A DEFICIT.

The deficit of \$1,405!12, of which sum \$178.83 was inherited from the previous year, will greatly interfere with our work for the incoming missionary year of 1885-6, and must cause a decrease in the grants which would have otherwise been made. In order to prevent such a possible recurrence, your committee are of the opinion that in all future grants and salaries made to churches and officers of the Society the Treasurer should withhold a certain percentage of each payment until the last payment for the year is made, when, if the funds are sufficient, the full grant or salary shall be paid; but should there not be sufficient funds at the close of the year to pay the amounts in full, each church and officer to whom appropriations have been made shall share prorata the amount of such deficiency. Not only will this prevent the deficiency of one year from cripling the whole of the succeeding year, but also be a stimulus to the churches to exert every energy in meeting the claims of the Society. The Committee therefore would recommend that you should, as a Society, consider this or some other scheme, whereby we may be saved from the consequences of recurring deficits.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Samuel N. Jackson,
Secretary.

KINGSTON, June 2nd, 1885.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

During the past year I have labored to the best of my ability to promote the cause of Christ in connection with the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, and to further all the interests of our churches throughout the Dominion. I have consecrated to this service every power and faculty of my body and mind. I amgrateful to the Giver of all good for any measure of success, for the blessing of health, for safety while constantly exposed to danger, and for grace to reconcile me to the discomfort of almost continuous absence from home. The kindness and cordiality with which I have been received by the brethren, the hearty co-operation of the churches, and the practical sympathy of all, have made my work pleasant.

The first two months of the missionary year were spent in the Maritime Provinces. The union of the Nova Scotia and New Brunswick Missionary Society with the Canada Congregational Missionary Society has increased your responsibility, and the labours of your officers, but such a union is of vital importance to the churches. No part of the field so much needs oversight and encouragement. It is hoped that the new arrangement will strengthen and enable them to extend their important work. They expect to supply their pulpits from our own College, to send students themselves, and co-operate in future even more cordially than they have done in the past. I found many places where there is destitution of the means of grace, or of evangelical preaching. In four of the principle cities of those Provinces we are not represented. This proves a serious hindrance to the work of our churches throughout the country, and some of the best of our members are lost to us. They have been fostering churches in small villages, and in rural parts, while they have neglected large cities such as Halifax, Charlottetown, Windsor, Traro, New Glasgow, Moncton, Fredrickton. We should be wiser in our generation. It is not yet too late; without doubt there is ample room for us in all these places, and in many others. I would suggest with regard to the Maritime Provinces, as well as to other parts of the Dominion, that we plant our new churches only in centres of population. I am strongly of the opinion that the future of Congregationalism in Canada depends upon pushing

our missionary operations in such places.

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I have tried to keep our mission churches supplied throughout the year, and I have been fairly successful, very few being left for any length of time without the regular ministry of the word. I have found this part of my work the most difficult. Where will we get suitable pastors for our vacant churches? is one of the most perplexing questions of the hour. Pursuant to instructions, I reorganized the Indian mission, and reinstalled the pastor, the Rev. Wm. Walker. I consider that good work has been done among the Indians of French Bay, and would earnestly recommend a continuance of the same under the auspices of your Society. I also learned of other most destitute Indians further north, who are very anxious to have a missionary labour among them.

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As specially instructed by the Executive, I organized a new church at Hawkesbury, the result principally of the labours of the students of the College, during the sessions and the vacations. I visited Fergus, and after a thorough canvass from house to house, found the former adherents of the church anxious to make another trial. They unanimously desired the Rev. J. R. Black, B.A., Garafraxa, to supply them. He consented, and has succeded in getting a good congregation, and organizing a church. This has been accomplished without any expense to your Society. I organized with concurrence of the Frome and London churches, a church in the city of St. Thomas, which has a membership of twenty-seven, a good congregation and promising Sunday school. There have been organized in all five new churches during the past year. I spent a week in the flourishing town of Woodstock, visiting from house to house, after which I was satisfied there was a good opening for a church. Held services in the town hall with satisfactory results. Organized a Sunday school, and arranged and secured a supply. A church will be organized shortly, and a building erected. It is probable the church in this place will be independent from the start.

I have sought by sermons, addresses and letters, to bring the claims of the Society before the churches, the Sunday schools and the Ladies' Auxiliaries. I believe that substantial spiritual progress has been made throughout the bounds of the Society during the year. There have been revivals, and awakenings, and many have been gathered into fellowship with our mission churches. There is a great work before us in this vast Dominion. In Prince Edward Island, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, the North West Territories and in distant British Columbia,—the fields of missionary enterprise are opening before us. I will mention a few of the

places in the Province of Ontario where we should have churches: Cornwall, Smithsfalls, Perth, Napanee, Oshawa, Port Hope, Peterborough, Lindsay, Collingwood, Orillia, Brampton, Walkerton, St. Mary's, Chatham, Windsor, Ingersol, Galt, Goderich, Mount Forest, Milton, Norwich, Orangeville, Owen Sound, Petrolia, Strathroy, Waterville. We must not be satisfied to stand still, or merely hold what we have already. We cannot long hold our own unless we are progressive. With the prospect of large additions to the ministry through our own College, we only require a more liberal financial support to enable us to extend our work in every part of the land.

Our income at present is not adequate to sustain the work we have already assumed; we need at least to double it if we are to extend. That this can be done I have not the least doubt, but there must be more self-denial, more systematic effort; more earnest faith and prayer.

During the year I have attended two unions, two associations, taken part in two church organizings, one church dedication, one ordination and three installations,—have written regularly for the Canadian *Independent* regarding the work of the churches. I have delivered 304 sermons and addresses and travelled nearly 12,000 miles. I have conducted an extensive correspondence arising out of my work. I have sought in every way to consolidate and extend the work of the Society.

Space forbids a long report here, and my quarterlies submitted to the Executive, as well as my published letters giving details of work generally obviate the necessity.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Hall,
Missionary Superintendent.

Hamilton, June 11th, 1885.

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WESTERN ASSOCIATION, ONTARIO.

Forest.—This mission embraces Forest, Warwick and Lake Shore, and is under the pastoral charge of Rev. W. H. N. Shannon. Missionary grant, \$100; collection for the Society, \$46.00. The half-yearly reports are as follows:

"In presenting our report for the last six months, ending Dec. 1st, 1884, it is with gratitude to God for his many mercies and blessings to us. The past half year has been the best we have enjoyed for some time, the Lord has been with us, blessing us abundantly. We have three appointments preaching at each every Sabbath, and once at each through the week. The prayer meetings have been well attended, and much interest taken in the work by all the members and friends. Average attendance at Forest is 150; Ebenezer, 200; Lake Shore, 150. We have organized a Sabbath school in Forest with 8 teachers and 50 scholors. The Ebenezer Sabbath school is in a very flourishing condition, average attendance, 90 scholars. We have made 150 pastoral visits on the field. The people are warm hearted and kind, and seem delighted when their pastor calls. I have had many opportunities of speaking a word for the Master in the homes of people who never came to church, and some of them have come out regularly since to hear the Gospel. We have added to our Forest church by letter, 2; by profession, 1. Ebenezer-Warwick by profession, 9; Lake Shore by profession, 4. The indications of spiritual growth in the churches is good, many are now anxious about their soul's salvation, and we trust will soon find the Lord Jesus. We have had no losses during the last six months, for which we are very thankful to Him whose we are. We have had no special collections during the half year ended. We have no Ladies' Missionary Society, nor monthly prayer meeting for Foreign Misions. Our salary has been punctually paid by the churches. We have purchased the brick church at the Lake Shore, which was owned by the M. E. body, for \$700; \$200 have been paid, the rest is subscribed. It was opened on Sabbath, the 23rd Nov., by Rev. Thos Hall. It is a very neat and comfortable church. We have also bought the fine church in Forest also owned by the M. E. body, which was opened July 6th, '84. Rev. R. Hay, of Watford, preached in the morning, Rev. J. Williamson, of Arkona, in the afternoon, Rev. E. L. Russell, B.D., in the evening. This property cost \$2.300. Over \$500 has already been paid, and the balance subscribed. We look hopefully to the future. We expect this coming year to see a great awakening in all our churches."

"This report embraces a period of twenty-five weeks. The three appointments have been regularly supplied. I conduct three prayer meetings every week, one at each appointment. The attendance during the past winter has been real good. The average attendance at Forest has been 100; Lake Shore 150; Ebenezer (Warwick) 150. Our Sabbath school in Forest is in a healthy condition. We have 11 officers and teachers, and 60 scholars, and much in-

terest is now being taken in this department of our work. Ebenezer school is now doing a grand work. Duncan Campbell, Esq., is still superintendent. They have 6 teachers and an average attendance of 80 scholars. I have made 125 visits among my congregations and those not attending any church. These visits have done much good. We have had a large ingathering of souls for our hire during the special services held during the winter. We had a blessed work of grace at the Lake Shore appointment, and as a result seventeen were added to our church, and more to be taken in at next communion. Our meetings at this point lasted five weeks, and though the weather was bitter cold, yet the church was crowded almost every night. Our Christian young people from Forest helped us in the work and did much good. The Lake Shore people have great reason to thank God and go forward. In Forest we have also had a gracious shower of refreshing. Rev. J. Salmon of Toronto, and Bro. Gordon-Smith, of Stratford, very kindly assisted us in December holding special meetings. In January we held united meetings with the Methodist church, which proved a great blessing to many. In February, twenty-two united with our Forest church, mostly young people. It was a pleasing sight to see so many young people sitting at the Master's table remembering the dear Lord Jesus. I have the pleasure of teaching a young ladie's Bible class in our Sunday school, and my heart was filled with joy seeing them all brought to the Saviour. At Ebenezer, Mr. Gay conducted a special meeting for two weeks, ten professed conversion, one united with our church. We are still looking to Jesus, and we expect greater ingatherings. Many are still unsaved, the fields are white to the harvest. The good Lord help us all to work faithfully in the field. One of our number (a member of Ebenezer) has been removed to the better land, and when the Master called she was ready. The total number received into fellowship during last six months has been forty: The older members have received much spiritual good, and have been delighted to see so many of their children brought to the Lord Jesus. Our collection for Home Missionary Society has been \$46. When we get out of debt we hope to be able to do much better."

Kincardine.—Pastor, Rev. C. L. Ross; grant, \$200; collection \$50. First and second half yearly reports are as follows:

"I have preached three times every Sabbath, some-times four times, and several times on week evenings. The attendance has been excellent. We have had a crowded sanctuary. Our people have a grand spiritual appetite, and that sets them up to work for the Master-" Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness." Our Sabbath school is doing a grand work; numbers of children have been gathered in from the different lines near. The Lord's supper was dispensed here last Sabbath, when many of the Lord's people from different Presbyterian churches in the neighborhood attended with us. The "Beauty of the Lord" was on the assembly of his people. So sensible were the people of the presence of the Lord on that day, that when the time to close came, they would scarcely leave the place where the joy of the Lord had so filled their hearts. One believer said he had not experienced such joy in the Lord for sixteen years before. I preached in English and Gælic. On the way to their homes many of them were speaking of the sermons, and bringing again before themselves and others the precious lessons which it furnished, A Communion Sabbath here is always a glorious season. Our hearts were made glad during the month of August by a visit from our excellent brother, Rev. D. McGregor, of Guelph. Our people were all delighted to see him. His talks and sermons were full of rich gospel truths, and were helpful to all.

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Mr. McGregor's visit here will be long remembered with pleasure. We had a visit from our beloved superintendent of missions in October, which cheered us all very much indeed. Five new members have lately been added to the church. The services are well attended on the Sabbath day. The Lord is blessing his word. The Sabbath school is doing a good work. We were very much in need of a shed at this meeting house to shelter the teams, and I have got the people to commence building a fine one, which will cost quite a sum. We have got into our new manse, and it is quite comfortable."

"By the good hand of the Lord upon me, I have been enabled to go through the work here during the last four months with pleasure to myself, and I trust with benefit to many souls. We held a series of meetings here during the month of January, which were well attended. People gathered to the sanctuary from the different lines and points from crossing to crossing, and they did not wait in vain. The Lord poured out his Spirit upon the people, and saints were revived, and many sinners were awakened and brought to Jesus. The Lord has indeed blessed us. Since I wrote last eleven have been received into the church, two by letter, and nine on the profession of their faith in Jesus. I preach three times every Sabbath, once in Gaelic, and twice in English. Our services on Sabbath are all well attended. Some of our Gaelic friends come twelve and fifteen miles to hear the gospel in their mother tongue. From 400 to 450 attend the English services, and from 80 to 100 the Gaelic services. I have two prayer meetings every week, one in Gaelic and the other in English. I have also family meetings which are very much appreciated by the people. We have a fine Sabbath School with 100 children on the roll, and an average attendance of eighty-five scholars. Our superintendent and the teachers are active workers. We have a teacher's meeting in the manse once a month. I have preached sixty-two sermons since the New Year here, besides helping some of our Presbyterian brethren at their communion services, and I have made fitty pastoral visits. There are indications of spiritual growth in the church. The members have done their best in aiding all the schemes of the denomination during the year, they have also built a very fine shed for the comfort of the dumb animals, which carry them to the house of God. The people have shown much kindness to the pastor and his family during the stormy and cold winter."

New Durham.—This mission embraces New Durham, Kelvin and Hatchley, over which the Rev. Chas. A. Pedley, B. A., is pastor, and whose reports are dated Dec. 4, 1884, and May 6, 1885. Grant, \$150; collection, \$48.25.

"The present report covers the work done in New Durham, Kelvin and Hatchley during the last seven months. I hold three services every Sunday; the alternate Sundays presenting the following variety: 1st, New Durham, 11; Hatchley, 3; Kelvin, 7. 2nd, New Durham, 11 and 7; Kelvin, 3. The second service in New Durham dates from the beginning of October. I have a weekly night service in each of the two main stations. Average attendance in New Durham, about 20; Kelvin, 15; average attendance on Sunday, New Durham, morning and evening 100; Kelvin, 45; Hatchley, 35. No denominational Sunday school. The additions to the church have been in Kelvin, 6; 3 by letter from Presbyterian church, and 3 on profession of faith,—in New Durham, 3, on profession of faith. The congregations in Kelvin have about held their own; in Hatchley have been somewhat fluctuating, and in New Durham have slightly increased. We have been holding special evangelistic

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services for the past five weeks, and are continuing them. The result so far has been a great quickening of the church, and the bringing of several, chiefly heads of families, men and women, to decision for Christ. Owing to circumstances detaining them in their own fields, I have not had the benefit of the help of brethren in the neighborhood as much as I had hoped. Brethren Fuller and Hughes have been with us and have done us good. We have also had a sermon each from the Baptist minister at Norwich (who, by the way has a very flourishing church on the spot where we might have been if we had not been too much afraid), and the assistant Methodist minister here. The chief obstacle to the work seems to be the difficulty of preserving a Catholic spirit in a country neighborhood where two churches attempt to work side by side. A man might as well try to live with two wives. But we are fairly on the way to conquer this problem. I believe we have no Ladies' Missionary Society yet, nor are we doing anything for Foreign Missions.

This will not be the case very long I hope." "At the writing of my last half-yearly report we were holding special services in New Durham, and a deep seriousness was upon the community. I expected the work to be continued through the winter, but, owing largely I believe to the fact that we allowed ourselves at Christmas time to be diverted to the getting up of a tea meeting, the interest in the services died, and when we began again after holidays we had no encouragement to continue. The results are hard to get at, but others are less inclined than I am to take a despondent view. We have had additions to the church at each communion service this winter, and there are others whom we expect to receive. The week night service which was originally in the form of an undenominational Bible class has been reorganized, and is now the church prayer meeting. The attendance has been very irregular through the winter, but under the new arrangement we have good prospect of an improvement. We had a meeting last night in the Methodist church to discuss Sabbath school work, and the feeling of that meeting was that it would be best to continue the union school. Our people would like to organize a school in connection with the church, for some reasons, but I did not feel disposed to take the responsibility of dissolving a union which our Methodist brethren desired to maintain. It is probable therefore, that the old arrangement will hold for the present. Eight members have been received since Christmas, one by letter, making eleven for the year. Most of those who unite with the church are admitted by baptism, infant baptism not having been practiced in this neighborhood to any extent. The congregations have been somewhat smaller for the last six months. Perhaps sickness in the neighborhood and bad weather would account for it. A Literary Society meeting in the church on Saturday evenings has been largely attended, and perhaps may have affected injuriously the Sunday morning attendance. We have no organization as yet for the furtherance of missions. The weekly offering system works well in New Durham, and in spite of a great tightness in the money market, my salary is not far behind. In Kelvin I have to report an apparent gradual decay of the cause. The building of the new church has not done what it was expected to do in bringing out the energy of the congregation to sustain the work of the church. The fact seems to be that there are too many sects in Kelvin, and we are unable to keep above the position of seeming to be engaged in a degrading tight for existence. The removal of several of our adherents has weakened the cause still further, although perhaps not financially to any great extent at present. They are however, somewhat behind with my salary. No additions have been made to the church during the half-year, and the congregations are somewhat smaller. The Sunday school per contra, is

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St. Catharines.—Rev. Wm. Wetherald's first half-yearly report covers seven months, May to November inclusive, and his second from December 1st, 1884, to May 1st, 1885. Grant, \$300; collection, \$30:

"I have little to report of special interest. Our work has been of the plodding kind, trying to do faithfully the duty of each day as it comes. We have, as heretofore reported, one city, and one country station. At the former Sunday services are regularly held, but the Thursday evening service in the country, like the Yorkshireman's weddingdepends on the weather. For some time our Sunday attendance was seriously affected by the Salvation Army, whose barracks are just around the corner. But of late the number attending our services has been greater than at any time since my last report, except perhaps when some "Hallelujah hurricane" at the barracks has offered special attraction to our young folks. I preach as best I can. The presence and power of the Master are sensibly felt. The people are good listeners and are often deeply impressed, but the church does not grow. During the summer we have had but three admissions on profession of faith, and two have gone from us. My stipend is paid with rigid punctuality, but the outgoes of needful current expenses exceed the incomes from legitimate sources, and nothing more effectually undermines the spiritual life of a church than a resor; to concerts, entertainments, etc., as means of raising money for church use. Our Sabbath schools prosper, and our Wednesday evening prayer meetings are delightful. It would I think be hard to find a more lively and devoted band of sixteen or twenty, than that which meets here in perfect freedom of suggestion, question, song or prayer. We keep up one anothers's courage, not like boys whistling in a graveyard, but in the confidence of hope. Our building fund increases slowly. Of course a better house in a more central spot would be an important factor in our growth and prosperity."

"Another year of service has almost gone, with no sense of failure in the retrospect—there is disappointment that much less has been accomplished than was aimed at a year ago. This report covers twenty-one weeks. Absent for a month at Montreal and Kingston—my place was worthily filled by our brother W. W. Smith, late of Newmarket. His services were gratefully appreciated by the church, and he found opportunity to post himself on the early history of St. Catharines. During ten more weeks I was all but laid aside, because a chesnut rail was harder than my head when the cutter upset. But our two weekly preaching services have been regularly sustained with an average attendance of fify-five orsixty. Our Wednesday evening prayer meeting attended by twenty to twenty-five—the cream of the church—is always a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and our one Sunday school, under its devoted superintendent Edwin T. Reed, continues to prosper with one hundred and fourteen on the roll, and seventy-five as an average attendance. From the cause above noted, pastoral visits have been irregular and

infrequent. I regret this, because the service is a potent factor in the prosperity of the church. Great grace and sanctified common sense are needed to make the service effective. Many of the good people are glad to see you. They are excellent absorbents of counsel and instruction,—and then the "sweet time" they have had too often affords a plausible substitute for attendance at prayer meeting, and for opening the pocket-book. We have added to the church five members on profession and one by letter, and have had three removals, two by letter and one by death. Cheering signs of growth in grace are manifested in some, but "half Israel and half Ashdod," describes the condition of others. During the year collections have been made -for the Union, \$5; for the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, \$30; for the College, \$15; for Foreign Missions, \$10; for other benevolent purposes, \$18; and my stipend has been punctually paid. Little has been done to increase our building fund. I would gladly transfer this duty to more efficient hands than mine. Not a few of our members were out of work during the long winter, and some had a daily struggle to keep the wolf from the door. If there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath and not according to that he hath not.

Stratford.—Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith's report is for the last half-year from Dec. 1st, 1884 to May 1st, 1885. Grant, \$400; collection, \$16.

"In presenting the half-yearly report of work done in this district during the last 24 weeks, we give praise and glory to our Divine Father for the abundant revelation of his love to the churches of Stratford in the outpouring of His Holy Spirit in the gracious revival which it has been our joy to experience, and in which, for some ten weeks all the churches most heartily and cordially co-operated, and unitedly and severally rejoice in the harvest reaped, since multitudes have been born to God, and many believers quickened into a nobler life of faith and love in Christ Jesus. The work of conversion has been chiefly among those who have regularly attended church services, and been under religious influences in the home and school. While the larger churches of the city seemed to be gaining the greater blessing, we sincerely rejoice that as a church we have come in for a goodly share of Divine favour, which is manifest in the renewed life of the members, characterized by a cordial and social spirit before unknown. We have been much encouraged by the unprecedented addition of numbers into our church fellowship. Thirty-one having united with us during the last six months, twentyseven on profession of faith in Christ, and six by letter. We have not gained largely from those outside our own borders, but many who have been worshippers with us 'gave their ownselves to the Lord and unto us by the will of God.' Our preaching services on the whole have been well sustained, the morning averaging ninety in attendance, the evening about two hundred. The afternoon is occupied with the Sabbath school and the pastors Bible class, the progress of both of which during the winter has been most gratifying. A good brother minister (Rev. G. A. Jameson) having been residing here has been appointed superintendent and finds great favour with the young people. The growth has been gradual and sure during the year so that in place of some thirty names on the bocks, we have now over one hundred, with an average attendance of eighty-five. A prayer meeting is held every Sunday evening before service, and sometimes another after the service, in which the people take part in prayer, testimony and praise. Also at the week

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night preaching service we frequently in this way gain their co-operation, the attendance at which service has recently been a matter of congratulation. Our greatest difficulty is a financial one, owing to the very heavy debt on the church property and from the depressed state of the church in the past, the accumulation of interest, which in addition to our incidental expenses we have been trying to meet, \$700 was due on the 1st of Feb. last. By the advice of some of your committee we have increased our principal to \$5000, and got it out at less interest, and with that, and the kindly donations of individuals and churches in the Dominion, we have reduced the arrears to \$250, and we are anxiously looking for further kindly help to wipe off this liability, when we hope to be able to meet our yearly amount and respond to the calls of the Foreign Missionary Society, the College and other benevolent schemes which it would be a true pleasure to do were we in a position. The Canada Congregational Missionory Society has of course had a collection, (though by reason of inclement weather not so large as we had hoped) and the college fund has also been before us-but other objects we have been compelled toforego. The friends of the church have worked together most amicably, and in every way have they so far fulfilled their obligations to myself. With your continued financial assistance, we hope to be able yet with God's gracious blessing to show that the church in Stratford is worthy of your sympathy because of the great persistent, yet successful work she is seeking to accomplish for God in winning souls to His kingdom."

Tilbury Centre.—Rev. E. J. Burgess sends the first half-yearly report, date Jan. 12th, 1885, after which he resigned his pastoral charge. Grant, \$100; collection, \$9:

"This report emoraces twenty five weeks labor in Edgeworth and Tilbury Centre and Strongfield. I have charge of three Sunday schools. In my pastoral work I have made about two visits per week. Have preached thirty sermons. Given four lectures. The average attendance at principal station, one hundred; total number under pastoral care including children, two hundred and eighty-five, total present membership, forty-two Total number of scholars in three schools, two hundred. I cannot give the contributions to Home Missionary Society, as the collectors have not yet reported. The Superintendent, Mr. Hall, has made arrangements for a student to follow up the work here in the spring."

Wingham.—Rev. M. J. Totten, who has been the acting pastor in this mission, has given an account of his labours in the two following half-yearly reports. Grant, \$208; collection, \$35.26.

"I have been laboring four months here and they have been some of the happiest months of my life; I have had such liberty of utterance and such divine help in my ministrations. The congregations have gradually increased and we have a very subdued attention to the word of the Lord. We have two services on the Sabbath and two in the week—one in a cottage I have lately opened in Lower Wingham. After consulting one of our leading men in the church on the subject, we report about 175 as an average morning attendance on the Sabbath, and about 150 at night, with about 50 at the prayer meeting in the church, and from 20 to 30 in our cottage meeting. We have one Sab-

bath school, about 50 is the average attendance, and as to the number of pastoral visits weekly, I cannot say, as I kept no notes of such visitations; all my people have been visited more than once save one family or two, and I have made it a special duty to enquire after strangers and visit them. There were seven persons admitted to membership on the 3rd of August; we have had no church meetings or means of introducing any others since, but I know of several who are now awaiting membership, especially strangers who have come to worship with us. As to the spiritual growth of the church, Mr. Ritchie thinks it is largely on the increase both amongst old and young. The young have formed an inquiry meeting (inquiry after truth) which they hold once in the week amongst themselves, showing that the spirit of enquiry is abroad. We have a Ladies' Home Missionary Society and it is at work, its efforts have been used for the Sabbath school in the form of a library and Sunday school hymn books. No special collections have been made, and no monthly Missionary prayer meetings have been held. My salary has been duly paid, and I know of no special obstacles in our way for doing the Lord's work in Wingham. I am thankful for what I have seen and felt since I have been here, and trust that this young church will become vigorous and strong if it is wisely and carefully dealt with."

"In reporting from this station, I beg to state that I have been laboring this half year under considerable disadvantages arising from the fact of my not being the settled Pastor, numbers of people refusing to throw in their lot with us until it was known as to whether I should remain or not. Nevertheless progress has been made, and we have not abated one whit our efforts in trying to build up our Zion on that account. The congregations have kept up fairly considering the winter season. We have added seven members to the church, and in addition to regular work and visitations we have been holding some three and four cottage meetings in various parts of the county almost every week, besides having got up in the town some union prayer meetings conducted by lay brethren, from four to eight in a week, and we believe our

efforts have not been wholly in vain in the Lord."

Wiarton.—Grant, \$200; collections, \$20; Rev. Chas. E. Bolton, pastor. The following are half-yearly reports from this church.—

"This report embraces twenty-six weeks. I preach twice in one Sunday, and superintend the Sunday school, teaching the Bible class; on the alternate Sunday I preach twice in Wiarton, and once at Colpoys. Average of each service about 55; regular prayer meeting at Wiarton, and a service of song, and a prayer meeting at Colpoys occasionally, one of the Deacons has a prayer meetings in the outskirts of Wiarton which is well attended. Our Sunday school at Wiarton averages 62; the union Sunday school at Colpoys, 30. Visits 129 the last six months lesides calls. There have been 5 additions by profession. Our meetings are all marked by earnest attention and interest. The prayer meetings are much improved. Our attendance at the Wiarton services have increased by at least twenty. Missionary collections not in yet. We have put new seats in the church, which has been the means of postponing the missionary work. It will receive immediate attention. We have made improvements which, when completed, will cost about seventy dollars, all provided for. Special obstacle, our forces are divided between Wiarton and Colpoy's-it is not as bad now as we are growing here. Our children's meetings still hold on, and are very gratifying. Altogether we are going ahead. We are much in advance of what we were, and still hoping and look-

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splendid majority, and we trust that it will be rigidly enforced." "The seventeen weeks embraced in this report, have been so very stormy, that we might expect a marked decrease in the attendance upon all religious services. Happily such is not our experience, we have held our own in comparison with last half-year's report. With the exception of one Lord's day our regular services in Wiarton and Colpoys have been held. Weekly prayer meetings in Wiarton, a cottage meeting outside the village, and an occasional prayer meeting at Colpoys have been conducted as usual. Ninety-eight pastoral visits have been made, and two members received into fellowship by letter. As we have paid off all our debts, and improved our church to the extent of fifty dollars, with some additional improvements in view, we have not been able to contribute as we would like to denominational enterprises. Five dollars have been sent to the provident fund. Our missionary collection will be about twenty dollars, as last year, (forwarded very soon). One great difficulty we have to contend with is removals. People will not settle down in a church, and identify themselves and their families with it, unless they expect to reside in that vicinity for some time. We have much cause for thankfulness and encouragement, with a share of discouragement."

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION, ONTARIO.

Alton and North Erin.—This mission is without a settled pastor, and has been worked by Rev. Jas. Hay, and student J. W. Pedley, who spent his summer (1884) vacation there. His report covers twenty-two weeks, preaching morning and evening at Alton and in the afternoon at North Erin, and conducting a Bible class and two prayer meetings weekly. "Alton," he says, "is in a slough of despond." Their beautiful church is burnt. There rests upon the people a heavy debt. They have no suitable place of worship. They are discouraged, and unless there be some hope of permenancy in the way of a permanent supply, the outlook is not "bright." At the invitation of the Rev. Thos. Hall, the Rev. Jas. Hay was induced to try this field. He entered upon it on the 8th October, 1884, and reports from that date to May, 1885, performing the same duties as Mr. Pedley, with about the same results. Later he sends a more hopeful report, from which we extract the following. Collection, \$15.61:

"On the whole there has been some improvement, remarked not simply by your missionary but by the people; that is in the Alton congregation. In our morning congregations we have had an increase from an average of sixty to an average of about eighty. In the evening the congregation from forty of an average have grown to about sixty. The Sabbath school which flagged during the severe weather of midwinter, has of late improved perceptibly, and promises early further growth. Our prayer meetings have been since the visit among us of our brother Wing in midwinter, merged in a united prayer meeting, holden alternately in the three several places of worship, and have

been fairly well attended. The people of the congregation here are concerning themselves as to how the advantage they have gained is to be held from this time, seeing they know not how the place is to be supplied. Just now they are making a decided push in the way of re-erecting the old church edifice. * * * In regard to North Erin, I have only to report that the congregations have continued about where I found them last fall, rising above or falling below thirty, according as the weather or the roads were more or less propitious."

Barrie and Vespra.—Rev. J. I. Hindley, M. A., sends two reports, but the second includes the whole year. Grant, \$200; collection, \$50:

"I beg to submit the following as my report of the churches at Barrie and Vespra, under my pastorate for the year 1884-'85, 52 weeks. 1 and 2-Three sermons each Sabbath, and five prayer meetings per week. 3-Attendance in Barrie over one hundred, in Vespra about seventy-five. 4-One Sabbath school in each church; average attendance in Barrie, eighty; in Vespra, twenty-five. 5-About one thousand visits. 6-Twelve additions on profession; three by letter. 7-I can see many indications of spiritual growth. Young people's prayer meeting well attended, and three other prayer meetings in connection with the church, are entered into with much interest, and display a deep religious inquiry. 8-Some thirty have moved away from us during the year, seeking employment elsewhere We trust they are laboring for the Master where they are. 9-Collections have been made for Home and Foreign Missions, for the Union, for the Centrall Association. Missionary collections not all in yet, but I think they will reach \$60 or \$70. perhaps more. Collections for the Association, \$8; for the Union, \$5. Collection for the College to be taken up this week. 10-There is a Ladies' Auxiliary Missionary Society; they have collected all the monies for the Canada Congregational Missionary Society. 11-We have missionary prayer meetings quarterly, and make collections for Foreign Missions. 12-My salary has been punctually paid in Barrie, but not in Vespra. 13-The Salvation Army I consider has hindered my work in Barrie very materially. They often interrupt our services by the noise of their drum; they draw away our young people, and create a false taste within them, leading them to hanker after that which is excitable and emotional rather than for the "sincere milk of the word." Indirectly also, they have produced much immorality in the town. The number who have been compelled to leave Barrie in pursuit of work, have weakened us somewhat. We have still about eighty members in the town, but many of them are poor, and unable to give much. In fact we have been compelled to assist some of them during the winter months as they were out of employment. Since starting the church here one hundred and fifteen have joined it, or one hundred and one have been added to the fourteen "charter members." As you will see, some thirty-five have since been removed; some may return, some will not. The people gave liberally at first to the church building, and now feel the pressure of nearly \$5,000. We have paid some \$3,200, and hope soon to reduce the remaining \$1,800 by \$300. We had hoped a year ago to have been able very soon to do without any grant, but these removals have weakened us, and the hard times

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Bowmanville.—Rev. W. H. Warriner's two reports are dated Dec. 1st, 1884, and April 23rd, 1885. Grant, \$150; collection, \$46.00:

"It is with pleasure that I present you my half-yearly report. Since writing you in May last, we have received fifteen new members, eight of whom are heads of families, the rest being young people chiefly from my Bible class. Eleven of the fifteen were received on profesion of faith. Having dismissed two in the same period, our membership is now 15 males and 43 females, total 58. The congregations are about the same in number, fluctuating I am sorry to say with the weather, but numbering in fair days from one hundred and fifty to two hundred. The Thursday prayer meeting is enjoyed by a good number, (from thirty to forty), and until last week we have also had a young people's prayer meeting, which however is now to be changed into a cottage meeting. The Sunday school has increased, the average number of scholars in attendance being now seventy and over. Eight from my Bible class united with the church during the year. The number of families having sittings in the church is sixty, and these I have visited on an average three times during the period covered by this report. My salary is paid punctually and weekly. The finances are fair, with no improvement however on last report, except in the gradual reduction of the debt by the Ladies' Aid Society. The church realizes its obligations to the Missionary Society, and is grateful for the valuable assistance it has thus far received. It will strive to be independent as soon as possible. As for myself I have to acknowledge with thankfulness the promptness with which my quarterly draft has always been forwarded and I assure you I will do my utmost to make, with God's blessing, this church fruitful in piety and good works."

"The work here has gone on quietly since our last report. Two members have been added to us, making our number fifty-nine. Our congregations are good considering the size of the town and the number of churches. Our Sunday school is in good order, with an excellent staff of teachers. We have just now only one prayer meeting in the week which is well attended. The principal event of this winter has been the election of four deacons, the church having been without the services of officers since Mr. H.O'Hara removed to Toronto some four years ago. This important matter was delayed in order that the Church might have ample opportunity to choose good and wise men, which I am happy to say has now been accomplished. The finances of the church have suffered on account of business depression, death and removals, notwithstanding which however we have felt it to be our duty to try and do with a less missionary grant than formerly. The usual collections have been taken up for the Missionary Society College, and Provident Fund. The first receiving \$46, the second \$16 and the third \$10. I find in looking over my record that my visits during the five months covered by this report have been one hundred and ninety. I have been absent from my pulpit only once, the Sabbath services have been a constant pleasure to myself and I have received many tokens of the appreciation of my people. It is again my pleasing duty to record the hearty sympathy and co-operation given to me by all the people. We are hopeful of increasing good."

Caledon and Churchill.—Rev. A. W. Richardson, B. A., settled in this field last summer, and the following is an extract from his report. Grant, \$150; collection, \$15.57.

"I have to report from Caledon that services here have been held as usual. Sabbath school on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, in which the Pilgrim Quarterlies are chiefly used; preaching services at 11 a.m., with a weekly prayer meeting on Thursday nights, all of which have been very well attended, considering the state of the roads and the severe winter weather. We also have a regular monthly church meeting, and a teachers' meeting for lesson study has been commenced. Two members have been received this year (1885), both on profession of faith, one a young women and the other a young man of about 18 years. There has been much to encourage in this field during the past year, especially the last six months, even though our numbers have not increased very much. One of the Sunlay school classes surprised me by handing in \$1.61, money collected Sunday by Sunday for missionary purposes, expressing the wish that it be sent away for the "Morning Star" Mission. Ten of the scholars subscribe for the Dayspring, a little missionary paper. Lately the Bible class and one of the infant classes have also started missionary collections—in the former they average fifty cents per Sunday. One prayer meeting night a month is now devoted to missions, when news from the different fields is read from the Missionary Herald. At Churchill we have been at peace, united heart and hand. It's a great pleasure to speak to these people—attentive, sympathetic and kind. On account of bad roads I have missed three or four Sundays, which would not have been done had the distance not been so great. Here we have no additions. There is a manifest interest in eternal things on the part of some young people. Two of our oldest members have gone beyond the cloud, both of whom filled up the allotted time of man."

French Bay.—This is an Indian Congregational church, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Wm. Walker. Grant, \$200; Mr. Walker reports:

"I have not been absent from my field of labor any longer than two weeks. The Saugeen band of Chippewas have appointed me as a delegate to attend the Grand Council which was held at Cape Crocker, and which lasted five days; the delegation came from divers places; the most lettered of the different tribes of Indians in Canada, to consider the welfare of their own race of people, and I was also sent to Christian Island to attend the grand discussion which was held on the said island, in consideration of the different denomination of Indians in Canada, to meet once a year on that island, to promote christian knowledge-a sort of a union. I have preached twice regularly on Sunday in my church, and taught the senior class in connection with the Sunday school. The morning congregations have been good, averaging about sixty or seventy. I have received none into our fellowship during the six months. In the Saugeen Reserve settlement I have preached in a nice brick school house once regularly on every other Sunday in the afternoon, and taught the Sunday school. The congregation of this place have attended the services, averaging from thirty to forty. A few whites have been with us in praising the Lord Jesus Christ. I conducted the prayer meetings in our church. My church has not been able to do anything in the matter of finances. I have been depending upon the late Indian Missionary Society

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for support. I have done my duty up to last March 31, '84, in visiting and preaching. My Sunday congregation suffered through the five men quarreling with the majority of the members and its pastor. The five men were dissatisfied of my marriage, consequently I was suspended by the late Indian Missionary Society. One of my deacons, Charles Mashuhkewawedong (I do not know whether you can pronounce that name which means thunder,) took the work. Owing to his old age and being unlettered, the congregation would not turn out, however he did his best to keep up the meeting. I occasionally helped him in Divine services. I kept up the Sunday schools both places until I was called away to yisit my own folks on the north shore. August and September the Sunday school was vacant. The local preachers of the neighboring church had to say a good deal of the disturbances through their jealousy, which interfered the cause a good deal, but I rejoice that the Lord has been with his work in gathering his precious jewels. Up to the time Rev. Thos. Hall's visiting to this church and reinstalled me a pastor to our church, I have not failed to fulfil my duty, visiting and praying with the sick. I preached twice regularly on Sundays and taught the senior class in our Sunday schools, the usual attendance being forty-eight scholars and five teachers. The Sunday school raised a few dollars a year, they have been able to do a little toward helping the mission of late. The morning congregation is good, averaging about forty to fifty, with good singing. The evening congregation is small. Our last communion, about forty were seated at our table, and a very pleasant meeting. My congregation have been able to collect a few dollars for the late Indian missionary society. They did a little for the foreign mission last year. The church debt is \$17. I have made thirty-eight visits within two months. Quite a number of the members are away from home seeking work for a living; it is a hard year for them this year, their crops have been a failure on account of dry weather, which occurred here all last summer. We will have larger attendance in our Divine services, the Sunday school will be larger too, when my people come home from their hunting. They will be all home in the month of March next, and I intend to hold special services in the month of March. I am greatly encouraged with the work of the Lord, the young people regularly attending the services. My daily prayer is that the Lord would sustain me and uphold me to stand firm to tell the love of Jesus, and be filled with praying spirit. The old members of our church, numbering eight, four of them widows are, getting very feeble with old age, depending upon the young to do all the finance matters, they are unable to do any help in the cause, but I do believe that they do live with daily prayer. I believe the young will do better for the welfare of the church and in supporting their pastor in future. The friends of this Indian mission have done a good work here in sending charitable gifts to the Sunday school scholars of this church. Mrs. J. F. Stevenson, of Montreal, from Emanuel church, has kindly sent a Christmas box for our Sunday school, in which contain many precious gifts. Mrs. E. J. Mc-Dunnough, of Toronto, has not failed in sending her annual charitable gifts to the Sunday school of this mission. It has been the means of gathering many precious souls in this church of God. At a committee meeting a few weeks ago an old chief, Fredk. Wah be zee, applied to become a member in the Sunday school, an old man about sixty years of age; when asked the reason why he wanted to become a member in the Sunday school, the reply he gave, to teach. The old chief Wah be zee, is Mrs. Walker's grandfather. We put his name on the roll with the rest of the scholars, and called him an elder, gave him a seat. He is to read the ten commandments Sunday after Sunday and teach a little catechism and close the school by prayer, repeating the Lord's prayer occassionally. Why should I be discouraged, it is evidently the work is going to revive, and King Jesus is leading on. The devil is raging, who tried to destroy the church of God, the Mighty King has come to defend, and Him I praise for His glorious victory. I am determined to hold up the banner and say to my fellow countymen look unto King Jesus and be ye saved."

"We have had three deaths. Eight dropped for drunkenness. I am glad the Scott Act is coming in force up here; it will be a great blessing to many poor children who have been deprived of their victuals, by their parents using constantly the intoxicating cup. There has been almost a famine up here last winter, the previous summer was awfully dry, fishing was a failure. I do not think my church members will be able to raise any funds toward my support. They will help me put in my crop, that's about all they can do for this year, that will be just as good as money to me. We have good services on Lord's Day. I have some young people who will join the church very soon. We have a very good Sunday school, a very interesting one. We have also a prayer meeting, but it is small. nevertheless the Lord is upholding his work here. I have no reason to discourage, the Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. Remember us in your prayers. I am yours faithfully in the blessed hope."

Manilla.—This mission collected \$21.05, and was supplied by student George Whyte, who, after giving a graphic description of the village and church thus writes:

"Mr. McIntyre and a devoted band of Sunday school teachers have kept the Sunday school going right on through the whole of the dreary vacancy; and it is to their credit that many discouragements of such an interregnum have not blotted out the sun. I found the church in an expectant although discouraged state; and although for a short time I had to work comparatively alone, the work contained many elements of encouragement. After awhile the interest became general, and the Saviour's presence was more or less telt. In addition to the usual Sunday services, I taught the Bible class and addressed the children on the lesson regularly. Every week we had a prayer meeting in the church and an evangelistic cottage meeting in one or other of the more distant parts of the neighborhood. I visited the people in course and regularly, talking and reading with the older people in their native language; and after forming the people's acquaintance, I introduced the subject of personal religion as I could find opportunity. The congregations numbered eighty to one hundred in the forenoons, and one hundred and twenty to one hundred and fifty or two hundred in the evenings. When the long distances which many had to come are taken into account, these congregations speak well for the people's desire to hear the word of the Lord. At the last communion, eight new members were received into fellowship, seven on profession, and one by letter. A few more are on the eve of confessing Christ publicly; and when the Missionary Society shall have sent the church the promised pastor, no doubt these will be made manifest."

Parkdale, Toronto.—Grant, \$300; no collection. Rev. Chas. Duff, M.A., in his first report refers chiefly to financial affairs of the church; and in his second, under date June 3rd, 1885, he writes:

"My report must of necessity be very brief. I cannot say we are in so good a position as I wish we were in. Still the future is before us, and we

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certainly are in a very prosperous part of the city of Toronto, and its most thriving suburb, and if we cannot soon go forward to life, it will be because there is no life in us. As you know we secured our lot in the middle of April, and have now begun to build. We expect to open in July, probably not before the last of the month, though our contract calls for the finishing before that time. I cannot say much for the spiritual advancement of the church. The winter has been very hard on some of our people, two or three families. Some of our members have moved away, and we have not been without those who desire pre-eminence in a young and small church. Our Sabbath school is doing well, and our congregations are all that we can expect from the amount of labor that is, and that has been for some months, put upon them. The business of purchasing the lot and attending to matters of building, seeing that everything was right, has devolved upon myself very largely, and I have learned that "one thing at a time" is a good motto to be kept in mind in the Lord's work, as well as that of men. The Lord certainly has been mindful of us; and I doubt not he will bless us."

Toronto, Western.—Rev.A.F. McGregor, B.A., pastor. This church will in future become a congregation of true "Independents," they having resolved to cease making any claim on the parent society this year, and by resolution shown their gratitude by tendering thanks for past aid from the society "at whose hands we have been so kindly dealt with." The first report is dated Jan. 15, 1885, and his second, April 28, 1885. Grant, \$200; collection, \$3.

"This report covers twenty-six weeks, throughout which I have been enabled to preach every Sunday. Peace and prosperity have been graciously bestowed to the church. The finances have decidedly improved, so much so that a better exhibit all round has not been presented at any former period. Since July, seven members have joined on profession and three by letter. The attendance at the various public services was about the same as previously reported. The evening congregations have almost invariably been good. The Sunday school though decreased in numbers somewhat, as compared with the previous year is in better tone and lately has increased in scholars and strengthened in finances. A young people's "Society of Christian Endeavor" is maintained with growing efficiency, and also the monthly missionary prayer meetings, contributions having been made to the American Board, and to the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society. The obstacles we contend with are not peculiar to us, save indeed the hitherto unsubduable one, an inadequate building for the proper worship of God. The Ladies' Aid have collected about \$200 during the year towards the building fund, and the hope imbedded in the minds of not a few is, that trying to be faithful in little, God will some day make glad our hearts by leading us out of the narrow into a wide and open place. This certainly is the constant tonic of the pastor's soul. 'In silentio ac spe erit vestra fortitudo.'"

"A resolution having been passed at the last business meeting of our church recommending that no Missionary grant be asked for this year, it is probable that this action will develop any power of liberality in giving that hitherto may have been unexercised. We sincerely hope it may. Our members, as a rule, with whatever else they may be chargeable are not guilty of meanness of spirit in giving to the cause of Christ. The fact that they have been recipients of aid from without thus long cannot I think be to their dis-

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credit, cumbered as they have been with a perplexing debt on their property. and unprovided as yet with a church building proper. Whatever may be thought by lovers of the graceless with regard to our public religious editices, there is a worthy class in all our cities to-day who rest their demand for an attractive sanctuary on the foundations of the necessary. During the seventeen weeks included in this report, four members have been received on profession of faith and five by letter. The attendance and tone of our Sunday School have improved very much and a good work of grace is going on in many hearts. The meetings of "The Society of Christian Endeavor" have been well sustained all winter, and our Sunday evening services in particular have been enjoyed by many strangers as well as by our own people. I have devoted the Sunday morning service—in the matter of sermons to an exposition of the first Epistle to the Corinthians, and though perhaps not so popular, they have proven profitable to such as seek the riches of God's own word. The monthly missionary prayer meeting, with collections for our Foreign Missionary society, has received my attention, and I have offered some prizes to our Sunday school scholars for an acquaintance with missions in Japan and India. The church has met its financial obligations to me this year, and moved to increase my salary by \$100; but I feel that it cannot well do so and dispense with missionary aid all in one year, and I have therefore instructed the officers to that effect, believing as I do with George Macdonald, that 'one of the grandest things in having rights is that, being your rights you may give them up.'"

Unionville.—Rev. W. F. Wilmot sends two reports, but we give the first half-year's report, dated Dec. 8th, 1884, the second being similar, in reference to the work of the mission. Grant, \$100; collection, \$27.50:

"I came to this field as a supply, by invitation, on June 7th, 1884; engaged for and fulfilled a supply term of six months, at the end of which time I was ordained, and settled as pastor of the church by a council, so this report will embrace about twenty-four weeks of labor. On this field we have but one church, two preaching services on Sabbath; no outlying appointments, no week night preaching services. Average attendance on public preaching services, about one hundred. We conduct a week-night prayer meeting, also a week night cottage Bible reading, both of which have an average attendance of twenty. Average attendance at Sunday school, about sixty. Pastoral visitation during this term averages ten visits per week. Religious awakening and spiritual growth have been marked features of the work this term. Additions to church membership by letter five, by profession ten. For these encouraging features of the work, next to our God, we are indebted to our excellent brother, Rev. A. Gay, itinerant evangelist, who with great acceptance to the people, and zeal for Christ, labored with us in a series of special services which we held during the summer. We have had no special collections, nor special contributions, this term, save the gift of a very beautiful Bible, and a well-filled purse, of which the supply paster was the delighted and grateful recipient at a very brilliant welcome home banquet given him on the evening of October 25th, in the church, when he brought to her new home at Unionville his new-made bride. For these things, we thank both our God and the people. Salary for this term paid in full."

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EASTERN ASSOCIATION, ONTARIO.

Belleville.—Grant, \$400; collection, \$22.70. Rev. A. W. Main, late pastor of the church at Economy, N. S., thus makes his first report, dated May 20th, 1885:

"It always gives one pleasure to report successful work and encouraging prospects. Such is my duty in regard to this church. This report will cover four months of labor. I commenced my work here on the second Sabbath of December last. On the 23rd of December I was installed as pastor of this church by a council called for that purpose. Since that time we have been striving with the help of God to strengthen the things that remain and to gather from without to our glorious Gospel and noble principles. We have endeavored to keep in sight the fact, that the mission of God's church is instrumentally to save the world by bringing the unconverted to the "Only Wise God" our Saviour. During this time a good deal of work has been performed, of which no detailed account could well be given; work that has been trying to sensibility, patience and fortitude. Yet with gratitude I can report progress. I have been enabled to perform the following labors, viz.: Sermons preached, forty-eight; prayer meetings attended, forty; funerals, five; baptisms (adults), five; infants, seven; total, twelve. Sacramental services, five; and have made one hundred and twenty-five pastoral calls; I have welcomed to the church nineteen persons; seventeen by profession of faith, and two by letters. Our Sunday school (under the care of an esteemed superintendent, Mr. Brown) is doing nobly. We have now over fifty names upon the roll, with an average attendance of forty. The week evening services are well attended. Our congregations are slowly and I trust permanently increasing. Financially the church is in better standing than it was six months ago. Their part of my salary is paid promptly; but the drawback to our work is in this line. Our church-building needs to be repaired this summer; we need \$200 for this purpose; where this is to come from I know not, but with God's help we will do what we can. We know not what shall be in the future, the work may be heavier or lighter than now, but we do know that it is the Lord's work. Our encouragement is, in the presence of Christ with us. We will grasp that promise: "Lo, I am with thee always."

Brockville.—Mr. A. W. Gerrie, student, gives a report of his four and a half months' labor in this mission, from which the following is an extract:

"Having been appointed to labor in Brockville during the vacation, I repaired thither on May 3rd, and found the church much in the condition in which it had been in the winter when supplied from College. The church building is commodious and comfortable and free from debt. Some little repairs, in the way of painting windows, etc., were effected during the summer. As to the work done in the four and one-half months of my stay in Brockville, there is little to report. The work went steadily on, sometimes with encouragement and sometimes without it. The usual preaching services were conducted twice each Sunday, the average attendance being perhaps thirty or thirty-five. The Sunday school, which has been in existence not yet one year, was to me a pleasant and hopeful feature in the Brockville work. The attendance for the most part averaged about twenty, but towards the end of the term it continued in the neighborhood of thirty with marked indications

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of growth. Many of the children are poor, and for want of suitable clothing, etc., are often compelled to stay away. Had we some rich, large-hearted man in the church there is a grand work for him to do, in making it possible for these interesting little folks to attend Sabbath school every week the year round. There being no prayer meeting, one was commenced and carried on weekly during the summer; although the number in attendance was never large, yet the meetings were interesting and I trust not without profit to some. Upwards of one hundred and twelve pastoral visits were made and three tuneral services conducted. Two of our little Sunday school boys were drowned in the river, one early in May and the other in July, and during the entire summer there lay upon a bed of weakness and pain, one of the oldest members of the church. Mrs. David Picken had united with the Brockville church more than thirty years ago, and continued an earnest and consistent member of the same. Her last illness was long and trying, and on the evening of Sept. 1st., at the age of seventy-two she entered into life and rest."

Middleville.—Grant, \$150; collection, \$36.50. Rev. E. C.W. Mc-Coll, M.A., in his first half-yearly report under date Dec. 11th, 1884, after refering to many families in that district suffering from diptheria, says:—"The work among us is mainly in the comforting and upbuilding of Christians. There seems to be a feeling of expectency of blessing in some quarters when services at the opening of the new church take place."

"I enclose a brief report, whose aspect in one respect is very unsatisfactory to myself, the absence of additions on profession of faith. I have tried to be faithful, pressing and assiduous, and I feel greatly distressed over the disappointing result in that respect. From all that I can hear the people feel very cordial to me and acknowledge satisfaction and help from my ministrations. They marvel at the success which has attended the new church building enterprise, and I am glad to say that in all the proceedings connected with it the utmost harmony has prevailed. I still hope to chronicle open confessions of Christ before the year runs much further away."

"Since the report furnished in December, matters have moved on in the way of quiet upbuilding of God's people, I trust, but without the conversions for which with anxious heart I have labored and hoped. The harmony and love of my people are a subject of thankfulness. Our new stone church in Middleville was opened for Divine service on Sabbath, February 8th. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. John Wood, of Ottawa. The proceedings, which were chronicled in the *Independent*, were very interesting. In the erection of the church we had liberal aid from members of the sister church in Lanark village, as well as from people of other denominations. The debt is all subscribed for, to be paid within the year. Our congregations have considerably increased since entering our new house of worship, and we do pray that it may become the birthplace of many precious souls."

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Maxville:—The mission field under the care of the Rev. D. Macallum, embraces St. Elmo, Maxville and Martintown. Grant, \$100; collection, \$123.18. This field is now self-sustained:

"For the past four months there has not been anything special to report. I trust there is a work of edification and growth in the church. We are enjoying harmony and peace. The various organizations, such as Sabbath schools, prayer-meetings, Women's Missionary societies, Mission bands and Young People's meetings are doing well. A Women's Missionary society was formed lately in connection with the Martintown church, which promises well, and another Mission band in connection with the Maxville church. The contributions to our various societies have been in advance of what they were last year."

Vankleek Hill and Hawkesbury.—Collection, \$24.20. These stations are still supplied by College students. Mr. W. T. Currie occupied the field last summer, and in his report after referring to the great need of repairs to the church, says:

⁶⁶Sunday duties were not very light. In the morning I was driven to a little brick school house at Sandyhill, a distance of about two miles from where I was living. Here we have a Sunday school, at the close of which I conducted service. The attendance from the first was good, and there was a manifest interest in the preaching of the Word, which gave promise of good things to come. Then after dinner, one of the people in his turn drove me to Vankleek Hill, a distance of about six miles. In this place we have a small brick church, free of debt, and a few faithful souls who have stood by the cause through thick and thin, and will likely stand by it to the end, (not of the cause) but of their time. Our congregation small at first was steadily on the increase toward the end of the season. If anything is to be done in building up the church in this place, I fancy it will be by a settled pastor. The afternoon service over, we drove back about five miles, rested awhile, then walked about two miles to Hawkesbury village, conducted meeting and then returned to my boarding house. On the first Sunday in July, we observed the ordinance of the Lord's supper, both in Vankleek Hill and Hawkesbury, thus making for the day six meetings, twelve miles drive, and three miles walk. My chief attention was devoted to the work in Hawkesbury. There we organized a small choir to lead the singing. I could help it very little, not being a singer myself, still we practised every week. The young people did the best they could, and many said the singing improved. In addition to this practice, we had also a meeting on Thursday evening of each week, partly to practice singing but chiefly for prayer and the study of the Scriptures. At this meeting our average attendance was about thirty five. I made some visits every week, but kept no account of how many, nor of the number of miles travelled during the season. It certainly was not very small however. On Aug. 28th, we held a tea meeting in the town hall, Hawkesbury, for the purpose of raising funds to repair our church building in that place. It was moderately successful, and we realized about thirty-eight dollars. Rev. Mr. Willett then subscribed ten dollars, so with some funds gathered from other sources in addition to the above, we had enough to shingle the roof, build a new chimney, and put the windows in proper order, and the work was done. About this time we secured the assistance of the Rev. Mr. Gay, evangelist, to carry on a series of special meetings. We-

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commenced work on Sunday, Aug. 31st, at Sandyhill school house, and continued there every night (Saturday excepted) for one week. During this time about a dozen expressed their determination to live henceforth for Christ. On Sunday, Sept. 7th, we began a series of meetings in Hawkesbury village, which lasted two weeks and a half. The results were much better than even our warmest friends expected. Mr. Gay worked earnestly and well. His addresses were listened to by the people with pleasure and profit. The meetings were conducted in a quiet and orderly manner. Mr. Hall went out to Hawkesbury and succeeded in forming a church; thus one more is added to our number, and one which represents healthy growth."

QUEBEC ASSOCIATION.

Belle Riviere.—Grant, \$50. Rev. A. F. Rivard for the first half year reports as follows:

"Meetings were held regularly on Sabbath morning, Sunday school in the afternoon, and visiting of the aged and sick in the latter part of the day. District meetings were held at different points of the field every week, alternating between East Settlement, St. Martin, Ste. Monique or Ste. Marie. St. Martin and Ste. Marie are the points where much interest is manifested in the meetings that are held, and in the reading of the word of God by Roman Catholics. They are quiet seekers after the truth, and do not wish the fact to be made known in any public manner. Some of the French protestants are suffering persecution from their neighbors. It does them good. Many of the people at Belle Riviere, French speaking and English speaking people, would feel encouraged to take interest in the work, if they had the assurance the mission is going to live. My wife has been an efficient help in visiting families, and giving help to poor and sick. A day school has been kept at Belle Riviere, towards the maintenance of which the English and the French protestants have subscribed \$90.—Miss Armstrong, of Lachute. being an excellent teacher. A large amount however is needed to maintain the school the whole year. This also may be mentioned, that the church and parsonage are in need of repairs. On the question of finance, something more than \$100, (perhaps \$125,) was secured after June '84, during my trip in Andover and Cambridge in July. In my book of church registrations for '84, returned lately to the prothonotary at Ste. Scholastique, was twelve registrations of acts of baptism (infant), marriage and burial.

Eaton.—Rev. Geo. Skinner's reports are dated Dec. 16th, 1884, and May 13th, 1885. Grant, \$150; collection, \$28.

We have much to be thankful for and although there is much to discourage us in reference to the cause of Christ here, yet we feel the Lord is with us and are encouraged from the tokens he has given to us of his blessings. Death has invaded our ranks. Three of our members have been called "home," and three who usually communed with us and were supporters of our cause have been called to rest, since our last report. Since July we have received five into our fellowship and three more have signified their intention of uniting with us at the beginning of next month. During the last two weeks we have had special services conducted by Rev. Alex. Gay, assisted by Rev. Geo. Robertson, B. A., of Melbourne, which were quite well attended, and the

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christians were greatly quickened and edified, and several profess to have found Christ precious. We have three services every Sabbath, and I have a class in Sabbath school. Our Sabbath school averages about forty, and I believe it is on the increase both in numbers and interest. There is service morning and evening in the church, and every Sabbath afternoon alternately between Learned Plain and Kingsley neighborhood, and at the latter place there is quite a large Sabbath school, which will, I trust, be productive of much good. We have one prayer meeting every week with an average attendance of over twenty. The interest is good."

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"We have three services on the Lord's day; and three prayer meetings in two weeks; the attendance at these are fair—from fifteen to thirty-five. During the Christmas holidays Mr. John P. Gerrie and Mr. Davies, students of our college, were with us and we had special services for two weeks with good results at Learned Plain. There were ten or more who professed to be brought to a saving knowledge of the truth, and the interest taken in Bible study since that time by the young converts and others has been truly gratifying. During the year we have lost four of our church members by death and four others have received letters of dismissal. We have received seven into the church on profession of faith, (two since our last report,) and one by letter, which makes eight in all. We have collected about \$4 for foreign missions, \$5 for provident fund, and \$28 for Canada Congregational Missionary Society. The interest in the cause of Christ has not decreased and I believe the people are much encouraged. The salary promised has been paid. The indication of spiritual growth in the church and of religious enquiry in the congregation has been encouraging. Lately we sent \$5 to the Congregational College, and are collecting for foreign mission provident fund, \$5; and Canada Congregational missionary society and British and Foreign Bible society, \$11. There is no ladies' auxiliary missionary society here. Our Sabbath congregation will average sixty-five in the morning, thirty-five in the afternoon and forty-five in the evening. My salary has not been as punctually paid by the church as we could wish, but we have received the missionary grant regularly for which we are very thankful. Our people are united and everything has gone on harmoniously, and I believe there is an increasing desire to see souls brought to the knowledge of the truth. It will be fifty years next November since our church and society was organized here. Good work has been done in the past. May the Lord still continue to favor Zion is our prayer."

Fitch Bay:—Rev. L. P. Adams sends two reports under dates. Dec. 3rd, 1884, and April 20th, 1885. Grapt, \$100; collection, \$9.85:

"We have four preaching places besides Fitch Bay—Ayers Flatt, where we have several church members and a good chapel built principally by our friends. The other places are Boyoton, a small village on the Massawippa Valley Railroad, and Tichurst and Brown's Hill. At the three last mentioned places we held service in school rooms. We have a few members in all of these places, and it seems necessary not only for their sakes to keep up the appointments but for many others that come to hear the gospel, and we hope to get good. I preach at Fitch Bay three Sabbath mornings and go to the out stations afternoons and evenings, and the fourth Sabbath at Ayer's Flatt and turn back for afternoon and evening. In this way I can give the gospel to very many that I could not in any other way, and it affords me an opportunity for a great deal of pastoral work. We have at Fitch Bay and

Ayer's Flatt a nice hopeful Sabbath school, which is kept up through the year, but at Boynton and Brown's Hill they close up when cold weather comes in the fall. I have lady collectors at work in each of these places, and I hope before the end of the year to put into the hands of the Missionary committee more than any year before. While I speak of the work done I earnestly with I could say something more flattering of the fruit of the work, but if I can't rejoice in gathering in the sheaves, I have pleasure in

sowing the seed, and trust God that it is not in vain."

"I have preaching service in five places—Fitch Bay, Ayer's Flatt, Boynton, North Stanstead and Brown's Hill. The number present at these public services varies with the weather and the traveling—from twenty-five to over one hundred. We have a weekly evening prayer meeting at Fitch Bay and Ayer's Flatt, and Sabbath schools at Fitch Bay and at Ayer's Flatt through the year, and at Boynton through the summer and fall, and a Bible class in connection with the schools at Fitch Bay and Ayer's Flatt. We have a temperance conference and prayer-meeting in connection with our congregation and Sabbath school every other Thursday evening. I have a great deal of pastoral work with the sick, and many funeral services; perhaps, this is owing to my long pastorate here. My health has been very good, and things in connection with the mission have moved pleasantly and peaceably with the members of the church, and sinners give respectful attention to the word, and apparently almost persuaded but unwilling to make the surrender, but I trust that our work is not in vain in the Lord."

Waterville.—Grant, \$125; collections, \$43.75. Rev. Geo. Purkis' first half-yearly report is omitted, it being embodied in the second, dated April 28th, 1885, which is as follows:

"In looking back over the year now past, I feel that while there is much calculated to humble, there is also great cause for thankfulness. I have been able to be at my post much more constantly than during the previous year, when I was frequently called away to supply vacant churches, all of which have since secured settled pastors. During the year I have been out of my place three Sabbaths: the first in attending the Union meeting in Montreal, the second in the month of October, when I exchanged with the Rev. L. P. Adams, in order to preach missionary sermons in each other's fields, and one Sabbath in the month of January, when laid by with a severe cold. During the year I have preached in Waterville 63 times, at Lavers 19 times, at Reed's 13 times, Capelton 46 times, Eustice 6 times, and 9 times in various other places, making in all 156 sermons, 9 of which were funeral sermons. Eustice is a new station, which I have taken up since the new year. I go there instead of Reed's, there being a prospect of a much better congregation, and as yet the attendance has been good. At present I go there once in two weeks. They want a weekly service, and probably I shall attempt it before long, either by withdrawing from Lavers, or by making Capelton a fortnightly appointment, that will depend on whether one of the copper companies, who closed up early last year, should resume work or not. On account of their closing my congregations in that place have been much smaller, and the financial returns have declined in proportion. In October last we had Mr. Gay, evangelist, with us for two weeks, and I trust that the seed sown may yet bring forth fruit, although there was no evidence of conversions at the time. We must however learn to cast our bread upon the waters, believing it shall be found after many days. The past year with us has been a time of sowing rather than of reaping—may the sowing prove not to have been fession move churce of whe when and tegrega sional tinople mission fund, many tribute urge te

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been in vain. During the year we have only received two members on profession, while we have dismissed two by letter, three have died, and one removed by excision, making a reduction of four during the year. In our church and congregation we have quite a number of Swedish members, many of whom were connected with what is called the Free Churches in Sweden: when a short time ago we elected new deacons, there were two Scotchmen and two Swedes chosen. We have contributed this year to the Canada Congregational Missionary Society \$43.75, \$14.75 of this was by our Ladies' missionary society, who also sent \$14.75 to the Rev. Chas. Brooks, of Constantinople, for his school. The Sabbath school contributed \$14.00 toward the missionary ship "Morning Star." We also sent \$15.00 to the evangelization fund, \$11.00 to the union fund, and \$31.77 to the Bible society. There are many other worthy objects to which I would be glad to have the church contribute to, but our people are not wealthy, and I cannot see my way clear to urge them to do more at present."

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Chebogue, N. S.—Grant, \$200; collection, \$49. Rev. W. H. Watson sends two reports; the first is dated Dec. 1, 1884, and after referring to the church being now free from debt, and certain improvements effected, and many tokens of good feeling between pastor and people shown him, he writes:

"We hold two services each Sabbath and one Sabbath school. Attendance at services will average one hundred and twenty-five, Sunday school about thirty. Our prayer meetings are being attended better as the winter evenings advance—perhaps forty during the thirty weeks of this report. We have had a time of spiritual refreshing, as twelve have been added to us by profession and three by letter. We have lost one by letter and one has gone to the upper church to join in the 'new song.' Thus we stand thirteen of an increase for which we thank God and take courage. We have held a missionary social at parsonage, at which we realized \$5; also took up collection \$5 in church. A male missionary society this summer has realised \$9.50, by planting oats and potatoes. The Ladies' Aid has a missionary society and they have collected a fair sum which will be forwarded soon. We have not introduced monthly missionary prayer meetings yet, but will bring the matter up soon. Our prospect for aggressive work is small, as the country is overchurched and inhabitants scarce. We have four churches in this small village, and several other denominations are represented among the inhabitants. The tone of religious thought and enquiry is not high, and so we labour on in the hope that the Spirit will kindle into a flame the sleepy ones, and encourage to greater efforts those who are already willing helpers in the great work. Have probably paid one hundred and fifty pastoral visits during term of this report. We have every cause for thankfulness that this church, from whose midst so many have gone forth to do battle for the Lord, is, instead of being a thing of the past, giving indication of many years future usefulness being its portion. May God bless and prosper 'Old Zion' and fill each of its members with spiritual life, and give the pastor wisdom to guide aright."

"Things in Chebogue remain quiet; for past nineteen weeks have carried on the services of the church at a great disadvantage owing to the severe weather we have had, yet in spite of hard weather and bad roads we have

only missed holding service one Sabbath evening all winter. I could not strike an average, as the attendance has been so varied, but it would be small. The prayer meeting service held on Thursday evenings continues to hold the young people, we have on an average at this service from thirty-five to forty. Our Sabbath school is as the days get warm on the increase. My record of visiting does not stand very high, as the roads have been many times during the winter impossible to travel far upon. Keeping no horse, I have to let the distant members alone until the sun clears the way. Have managed to make ninety visits during this time. We have no additions to record; one loss by death. Our ladies' auxiliary continues to do good work. Last year they sent \$43.58 to Home missionary society, we trust they will not be behind hand this year. They have undertaken to paint the inside of the church this month. We took \$5 from funds and sent to provident fund. The Sabbath school took fourteen shares in ship 'Morning Star,' We shall take up collection for college in May. Have commenced monthly missionary meetings on first Thursday of each month and find them interesting; collections taken for foreign missions. My salary has been paid me very promptly and as you will see by the church returns has been raised \$25.00 for current year. The field has changed considerably since I first came here. When I arrived, there was only one preaching service, alternate morning and evening in Baptist church, while in the Presbyterian there were only occasional services. Now we have regular morning and evening services in Baptist church and regular services in Presbyterian every alternate Sabbath. There is little doubt in my mind that our order does no harm where it exists, but acts as a leaven upon all denominations. The great drawback to our growth here is depopulation. The young people keep going away and no new ones come in. In summer time the men nearly all go away fishing and we see them but seldom. We lost by removal to Yarmouth two of our most active members with their family of five, two of these were members of the church. We are losing other two members in the same way, but we have the consolation that what the mother church loses in this way the daughter gets in town."

Baddeck, C. B.- Grant, \$175 Rev. J. Shipperly, in his second half-yearly report, dated May 1885, says:

"During the last half-year the services of this church have been regularly conducted by myself. One Sabbath in three, with visiting, generally during the preceding and succeeding one or two days. A prayer-meeting on the Monday evening has been generally well attended, after the two services of the previous Sabbath, which are attended by from fifty to one hundred and fitty persons in our own church edifice. Our Sabbath school, which is held in the afternoon, and while two other schools are in session, is attended by about twenty-three young persons, but that has now suffered loss by the removal of our late superintendent and his large family. They, however, go to our other church at Margaree, where they have formerly attended. This event also removes the help of four of our Baddeck church members. We have to report no additions to this church during the period, and although the interest has been well maintained no marked spiritual growth can be named. Our influence, however, as a church, has a salutary effect on the locality, and is, apart from ourselves, a means of an increased spiritual work. Our collections are, with one exception, and that for our Canada Congregational Missionary Society, all for local church purposes. The establishing of our church operations at Baddeck have been made such an object that all contributions, including pastor's salary, have yielded to that with the exce to of cour been quar there our thou The

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exception of \$12 for the whole year. There are only just enough obstacles to our church progress and work to test the zeal of our friends and prove the courage of many of our congregation. The spirit with which our efforts have been pushed and are pressing forward seem to have stirred up in more than one quarter some alarm and opposition. We do not object to this, as it shows there is around us now some ecclesiastical movement. There are results of our work at Baddeck which would amply repay for all the effort made, even though the church should now cease to exist, but with God's help it will not. The finishing of the interior of our place of worship is progressing."

Economy, N. S.—Rev. A. W. Main, who is now the stationed pastor of the church at Belleville, Ont., sends his last report from this field, under date December 26th, 1884:

"In making out this report for our little church in Economy, I am pleased to say that during the past six months the work of the Lord has still continued to prosper in our hands. We have held no special services, but a deep spiritual interest has been experienced in the church, and souls have found peace in believing in Jesus. I have received seven on profession of faith, and two reinstated. There are now fifty five families whom I consider under the pastoral care. I have called upon them once a quarter, making nine hundred and ten calls. We have at present ninety-one members. Twenty-five of these are away from home. This has been a great source of discouragement, so many of the active members being absent. I preached twice upon the Sabbath, morning and evening, and our average attendance was over a hundred and fifty. The Sabbath school is held immediately after the morning service, and the average attendance is fifty. On Subbath afternoon I went out to a back station and held services. The regular prayer meeting on Wednesday evening is well sustained, and the young peoples' prayer meeting on Saturday evening has proved a blessing to the church. I have still continued the children's meeting and am satisfied that much good can be done in this way. There is a pastor's Bible class in connection with the Sunday school. A monthly missionary meeting is regularly held, and a collection taken. My salary is paid up. There is a small debt on the church, but not to discourage them. I know of no obstacle in the way of the work, but the want of a pastor. They are a band of faithful willing workers, and are worthy of the confidence and affection of our churches."

Manchester, N. S.—Grant, \$75; Collection, \$8. Rev. Jacob Whitman's first half-yearly report, dated Nov. 18th, 1884, is as follows:—

"In reporting from this field, I am glad to be able to say that in some respects the cause here is more hopeful. The visit of Rev. Thomas Hall, our missionary superintendent had the desired effect upon our people in this place, encouraging them to take a more decided stand; and may their connection with the Canada Congregational Missionary Society be the means of much good to the church in Manchester. I have continued my regular week services of preaching and prayer, and have reason to hope that I have not labored in vain. The average attendance is about sixty. The Sabbath school was started again in August, and continued till the days became short and cold when it was closed for the season. Number of scholars in attendance, thirty. With a good staff of workers, they might be brought up to sixty.

During the last three months two persons have been received into the church by profession, and there are others who appear to be serious inclined; may the Lord lead them to confess Christ and 'go into the vineyard and work. Part of the minister's salary is paid up on the subscription list. I hope to collect something for home missionary work in December, as that is the time most suitable in this community, as the seamen are home."

"I send you my half-year's report for the second term. I have held regular services at Manchester and Ragged Head, as the severe winter weather would permit me. The attendance has been good at all the services, and indications show that they have been beneficial. Since the commencement of the year I have made one hundred and ten visits, read the scriptures and prayed with fifty-one families. The number of sermons preached in Manchester station, five hundred and three. The sum guaranteed is not all paid up yet, but is expected to be at the end of the year. May the preaching of the word of God in this place be like the seed sown on good ground, spring up and yield fruit to the glory of the Lord. Mr. Solandt arrived in Manchester on the 31st of April, and had a very pleasing reception. May his labors be greatly blessed to the people."

Noel, N. S.—Rev. J. W. Cox sends the following as his first half-yearly report, dated Dec. 9th, 1884. Grant, \$200; collection, \$109.60.

"I regret that I cannot report greater success. During the term that this report covers we have had no additions in the whole field, and have sustained the loss of several by death and otherwise. Nevertheless there seems to be greater interest taken in spiritual things and more activity in all departments of church life and work. But the field is too wide and the people too scattered for either successful work or satisfactory results. The largest amount of work is done in Noel, it being the principal station, and has the parsonage. There are three preaching services in the month here and one weekly prayermeeting: Sabbath congregations averaging about one hundred. There is a Ladies' Auxiliary missionary society in good working order here. The Sabbath school is very interesting and is growing. Good collections are taken for the home mission and other funds as the Year Book shows. Having bought a parsonage lot of eighteen acres with house and barn thereupon we are now busily engaged in obtaining funds to finish the house next spring and prepare the whole for occupation. On account of removals and other causes we have been compelled to disorganize our little church in Moose Brook and sell our property. The proceeds of the sale have been used in clearing the debts against property, with a balance of \$165 still in my hands. I still preach to a small congregation in a hall in the neighborhood, and visit the few scattered families that are there. We have poor prospects in this field. Noel Road congregation averages about seventy or eighty and raises \$25 or \$30 for my salary. I preach here one Sabbath morning in the month. We have a few adherents here in Lower Selmah; the congregations average about sixty or seventy, and are deeply interested in the word of God. I preach here fortnightly on Sabbath morning and evening alternately. There is a good Sabbath school here for the summer months only. In Maitland the congregations are on the increase and the indications are very hopeful. If our church were finished here and it were possible to hold services oftener than once a month as at present, there is every reason to believe that we should make rapid progress. Thanks to our three friends in Ontario and Quebec, for their timely gift of \$100. We have been able to secure our build-

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ing from the weather, and have some preparations made for doing further work when the spring opens. In South Maitland we preach monthly and visit the people. We have a congregation averaging about seventy or eighty, which might be greatly enlarged by more frequent services and more regular and frequent visitations. The building is yet quite unfinished, but attempts

are being made to carry the work forward to completion."

Second half-yearly report is as follows:—"I have been able to keep up my regular appointments without interruption in all the stations during the winter. There are seven preaching stations in all. A monthly service in Maitland and South Maitland; a monthly service in Moose Brook; the same in South Noel; fortnightly in Lower Selmah; thrice a month in Noel. Considerable interest has been manifested by the people in the preaching services at all the stations. Three weekly prayer meetings have been sustained. I have made a large number of regular pastoral visitations, yet not as many as I could wish, much sickness and death have necessitated more than the usual amount of time and strength spent in visiting the sick and afflicted. We have raised \$108 for Canada Congregational missionary society, \$10 for foreign missions, and \$10 for the college. The Sabbath school is succeeding in Noel, has been able to keep on all winter with unabated zeal. Three other schools in the field are summer schools. Upon the whole field there are encouraging tokens."

Pleasant River and Ohio, N. S.—Grant, \$200; collection, \$10. Rev. W. Peacock reports for the first year, under date Dec. 10, 1885, as follows:

"There has been a good regular attendance at all our places of worship, yet none have been admitted to fellowship during the past six months. At Pleasant River there is a Ladies' Home missionary society, which is doing all it can in the interest of the Master's kingdom. At all three stations there is a Sabbath school well managed and doing much to help the young. Of late the parsonage has undergone much needed repairs. My desire is that sinners may be converted and much good done in the name of the Lord."

In his second half-yearly report he writes: "The Lord's cause here is moving steadily along. Sabbath schools closed for winter months have been re-opened with a good attendance. At Pleasant River several of the young are being moved in interest of the good things of the kingdom. In the church at Ohio there is great need of renewed spiritual lite and advancement. On Sabbath and week day services the attendance and interest are good. The people are of German descent, and religiously have been followers of Luther. Here there are many young people to be brought to the Saviour."

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B. W. Robertson, in account with the Canada Congregational Missionary Society.

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	W. W. HENDRY.
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CONSTITUTION.

· I. NAME.

The Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society.

II. OBJECT.

To spread the knowledge of the gospel among the heathen and other unenlightened people.

III. MEMBERS.

Persons subscribing \$2 annually, ministers and other representatives of congregations contributing \$10 annually, shall be members. Every benefactor making a donation of \$40 at one time shall be a life member.

IV. ANNUAL MEETING.

A general meeting of the society shall be held annually to appoint officers and directors, receive reports, audit accounts, and to deliberate on any measures which may promote the object of the society. At such meetings all matters shall be determined by the majority of the members present.

V. COMMITTEES.

Directors are empowered to sub-divide into committees for managing funds, making reports, and such like, but no proceedings of the committees shall be valid till ratified at an ordinary meeting of the board. Not less than three directors, exclusive of the officers of the society, shall constitute a meeting of the board for the despatch of business. The treasurer and secretary shall be ex-officio entitled to meet and vote with the directors of the society.

VI. FUNDS.

All funds arising from donations, legacies, subscriptions, cellections, or otherwise, shall be lodged by the treasurer as soon as collected with the bankers of the society.

VII. POWER TO REVISE.

The foregoing regulations shall be subject to such modifications as the members of the society at their annual meeting may from time to time think proper.

BY-LAWS.

I. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the members may be held at the same time and place as the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec. All arrangements for the meeting shall be made by the directors.

II. ANNUAL MEETING OF DIRECTORS.

A special meeting of the directors shall be held previous to the annual meeting of the members, to prepare the list of directors, committees and officers for the ensuing year, to be submitted at the annual meeting, as well as to transmit any other business connected with the society.

III. ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Missionary sermons shall be preached on the fourth Sunday in June in the churches open to the society's use, and such other services shall be held as the society may from time to time appoint.

IV. NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS.

The number of directors shall not exceed fifty. Directors shall be nominated by district associations or other Congregational organizations where associations do not exist in British North America and Newfoundland. All such nominations shall be reported to the meeting of directors immediately preceding the annual meeting of the members, and any deficiency in the n mination list, whether caused by the failure of district associations, or other organizations to nominate or otherwise, shall be supplied by the meeting. Vacancies occurring in the board may be filled at any time.

V. MEETINGS OF DIRECTORS.

All meetings of the directors for the transaction of the business of the society shall be held in such places and at such times as may be agreed upon by the directors.

VI. OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

The officers of the society shall be a president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. Should any of the offices become vacant during the year by resignation or otherwise, the board shall have power to elect others to fill the vacancies. Should the president and the vice-president be absent from the meeting the board may elect a chairman for the occasion.

PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The fourth annual meeting of the Society was held in the Hamilton church on the afternoon of Monday, June 15th, Rev. T. Hall being in the chair. The meeting had been crowded out of its usual place on Friday. Rev. R. Hay offered prayer. Minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. Rev. H. Pedley, secretary, read the annual report; the recommendations of which were taken up seriatim, then the report was adopted as a whole. Rev. D. McGregor gave notice of a motion to the effect that the constitution be so amended as to fix the representation upon the Board of Directors and the Executive. Treasurer's report was then read and adopted. Revs. E. M. Hill, T. Hall, and R. K. Black were appointed to attend the annual meeting of the American Board of Foreign missions, to be held in Boston, Mass., next October. Mr. Walter T. Currie, missionary elect, was then introduced and spoke of his prospective work. Rev. Dr. Stevenson spoke of Mr. Currie's career as a student, giving his warm approval of the appointment. Rev. S. N. Jackson testified to a long acquaintance and high estimation of the candidate. The meeting then adjourned.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

In presenting its 4th annual report your Board of Directors takes pleasure in recording that the past year has been one of progress. There has been an increase of about 20% in the regular contributions, and as this has taken place without any special stimulusit is a fair criterion of the growth of interest in our work. A still more important feature of this report is that it brings before the Society in a practical form the question of entering upon the actual field of operations. About the beginning of the year the secretary received information that Mr. W. T. Currie, one of the students of our College, was contemplating Foreign Missionary work, and had already entered into preliminary negotiations with the American Board. A correspondence with him and also with the Board at once arose, and the following is the result: The Board has expressed its willingness that Mr. Currie should go forth under its sanction as the representative of the Canadian churches; that the mission under his charge should be known specifically as the Canadian Mission; and that whenever it was deemed advisable, the Board would consent to any equitable arrangement for the transference of the mission from its partial control to the sole management of our Society. It might be well to say that in all the negotiations the Board has shown the greatest sympathy with our aims, and the utmost readiness to acquiesce in whatever arrangements might best promote the interest of the Canadian churches in Foreign Missions. In view, therefore, of the growing interest in our churches as manifested by a steadily increasing contribution list, a list which is likely to be still further swelled by the co-operation of the churches of the Lower Provinces; and especially in view of the fact that one of our own sons trained in our college and known to the churches, has placed himself at our disposal, your Board beg leave to make the following recommendations:—

1st.—That this society is rejoiced to hear of the determination of Mr. W. T. Currie, a graduate of the Congregational College of British North America, to undertake the work of Christ in foreign lands, and while not forgetting beloved Canadian workers already in the field does now accept of Mr. Currie as its special representative in this great work.

2nd.—That Mr. Currie, in accordance with his own desire and the expressed willingness of the American Board, be designated to the West Coast Africa Mission of the Board, the exact location of his special mission being left in the hands of the Executive Committee of the Society, acting in consultation

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with the American Board; also that the designation and ordination be held if possible in connection with the present session of the Congregational Union of Ontorio and Quebec.

3rd.—That we are prepared as a Society to assume the responsibility of providing for Mr. Currie's salary, and beyond this to do what we can towards securing for him a complete outfit.

4th.—That as a considerable time will elapse before the arrival of the season most suitable for sailing to Africa, Mr. Currie place himself at the disposal of the Executive Committee for the purpose of visiting the churches, in order to give them an opportunity to become personally acquainted with him and to quicken their interest in the foreign work.

Your Board would further recommend:-

1st. That this Society request its Executive Committee to consult with the Canada Congregational Missionary Society in reference to the formation of a Women's Board of missions, home and foreign, and if possible to proceed at once to the formation of a Provisional Board.

2nd. That the following be the officers of the society for the ensuing year:—
President—B. W. Robertson, Esq.; Vice-President—Geo. Hague, Esq.; Secretary—Rev. E. M. Hill; Treasurer—T. B. Macaulay, Esq.; Board of Directors—Revs. Dr. Stevenson, D. Macallum, Geo. Willett, J. G. Sanderson, Dr. Jackson, A. L. McFadyen, C. Duff, John Wood, Geo. Fuller, Dr. Wild, Thos. Hall, D. McGregor, H. D. Hunter, H. Pedley, and Messrs. J. Adams, Jas. Goldie, W. R. Climie, H. H. Laing, H. J. Clark, J. C. Field, and Dr. Wanless. Executive Committee—Revs. E. M. Hill, Geo. Willett, John Wood, D. Macallum; Messrs. Geo. Hague, T. B. Macaulay, Dr. Wanless.

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Oct. 18.— " Rev. Mr. McCallum, St. John's, Que	100	00
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Nov. 17 " Congregational Church, Lanark	26	
Dec. 10.— "Hun ber Summit Sunday School	200	50
31.— H. O'Hara, Northern Congregational Church, Toronto.	25	00
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11 16.— II First Congregational Church, Kingston	25	
Mar. 2 " Parkdale Sunday school, for Turkey		00
11 6.— 11 Hamilton Church	35	
11 12.— 11 Mission Sunday school, Scotland, Ont		00
11 12,- 11 Sunday school, Cowansville, Que	18	00
Apr. 4.— " Tabernacle Church, Yarmouth, N.S	38	
6.— "St. Catharines, (by little workers)		00
May 1 " *Ladies' Missionary Society, Cowansville	10	
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11.— " Cobourg Congregational Sunday school		00
11 12.— II Brantford Young Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society 11 13.— II Yorkville Congregational Church		00
11 16.— " Western Congregational Church, Toronto		30
" 27.— " Paris Congregational Church		00
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COBOURG, June 3rd, 1885. JOHN C. FIELD, Treasur	er.	

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