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CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR, October, 1879, to September, 1880.

Past events in Roman characters-Appointments for current year in Italics.

	October, 1879.—31 Days.			November, 1879.—30 Days.		
TH TH Rev. E. Barker ordained, 1855. Crimean War begun, 1853. Albany Con. Cong. Churches, 1852. Moreoff David Brainerd died, 1747. Tu Bome annexed to Italy, 1870. Savoy Synod met, London, 1658. TH Savoy Synod met, London, 1658. Lord Palmerston published, 1658. Mortawa Church dedicated, 1862. Wiarton Church formed, 1875. Rev. W. W. Smith ordained, 765. Rev. J. B. Silcox ordained, 1876. Rev. J. B. Silcox ordained, 1876. Rev. J. Howell ordained, 1835. Charles From Market inst. Milton, 777. Hamilton Church organized, 735. Rev. J. Howell ordained, 1835. Charles From Market inst. Milton, 777. Hamilton Church organized, 735. Rev. J. Howell ordained, 1835. Charles From Market inst. Milton, 777. Hamilton Church organized, 735. Rev. J. Howell ordained, 1835. Charles From Market inst. Milton, 777. Hamilton Church organized, 735. Rev. J. Howell ordained, 1835. Charles From Market inst. Milton, 777. Hamilton Church organized, 735. Rev. J. Howell ordained, 1835. Charles From Market inst. Milton, 777. Hampton Court Conference, 1603. Rev. R. McKay ordained, 1875. Rev. A. J. Parker died, 1877. Rev. D. Macallum settled Athol, 11873.		India proclaimed an Empire, 1858. Lendon Mis. Soc. formed, 1794. Rev. Duncan McGregor ord., "72. Rev. E. P. Pomeroy murd'd, 1837. Rev. C. Durch formed, 1835 Prince of Wales born, 1841. ['78. Rev. C. Durch, Danville, formed, 1832. London Church organized, 1837. Synod of Dort, 1618. Nat. Council Cong. Chs. Oberlin, "71. Rev. C. Duff, inst. Speedside, "75. John Milton died, 1674. J. Williams killed, Erromanga. Brantford new Church ded., "65. Rev. H. Hughes, inst., 1876. Moose Brook, N.S. Ch. org. 1875. Noel, N.S., Church org. 1873. Marquis of Lorne arr. Halifax, 1878. West Ch. Tor. & Maitland org. 1875. S. Maitland, N.S. Church org. 1875. Listowel new Church opened, 1876. Baron Bunsen died, 1860. St. Andrew.				
	December, 1879.—31 Days.		January, 1880.—31 Days.			
1 23 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Tu W TH S S M Tu	Rev. A. Burpee died, 1873. Coup d'Etat, Paris, 1852. First Con. conv'd Edinburgh, 1557. Sec. from Ch. of Scotland, 1733. Rebellion in Canada, 1837. Rebels defeated at Toronto, 1837. Immaculate Conception pro., '54. John Milton born, 1608. Dr. Livingstone's exp. sailed, '72. [Alice, '78. Prince Albert died, '61, Princess Episcopacy restored in Eng., '61. Embro new Church opened, 1877. Kincardine New Ch. opened, 1876. Pilgrims land, Clark's Island, 1620. Fergus Church dedicated, 1869. Rev. J. L. Litch inst. Rock Island Shortest day. [1877. St. Catharines Ch. formed, 1874. Council of Trent met, 1545. Christmas. Quebec Ch. org'd., '37. Rev. H. Sanders died, 1878. Rev. W. Jay died, 1853. Rev. E. C. W. McColl ord, 1868. Stratford Church formed, 1846.	14 15 16 17 18 19 20	TH SSMUUH TH SSM	Pine Grove Church organized, '41 Manchester N.S. Ch. re-op'd, 1876 Rev. J. Griffith inst., Hamilton, '79. Week of prayer begins. Georgetown new Church op., '78. Northern Ch., Toronto, org. 1868. Procl. against Conventicles, 1661. Northern Ch., Toronto, ded. 1868. Dissenting Deputies, 1736. Emmanuel Ch., Montreal, op. 1877. Guelph new Church ded., 1868. Rev. J. Wood, inst. Ottawa, 1878. Rev. B. W. Day ordained, 1862. Memorial Hall, London, op., 1875. Alton Church formed, 1839. Yarmouth, N.S., Ch. formed, '48. Rev. H. Denny died, 1879. Stratford new Church op., 1874. Princess Royal married, 1858. Ospringe Church dedicated, 1874. Keswick Ridge new Ch. op. 1877. Matthew Wilks died, 1829. Rev. E. D. Silcox inst., Stouffv'e, '77. Pilgrims' first Sabbath Plymouth	

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February, 188029 Days.			March, 1880.—31 Days.		
1 23 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	SMUUTH SSMUUTH	Parliament House, Que. burnt, 1854. Spanish Inquisition abolish., 1813. Churchill Church formed, 1838. Dr. J. Pye Smith died, 1861. Sir Thomas Abney died, 1772. Rev. E. Rose, inst. Economy, N.S.'78 Rev. J. Unsworth ordained, 1853. Rev. H. D. Powis ordained, 1853. Rev. W. H. Allworth ord., 1848. Mayo Church organized, 1877. [1879 Rev. J. G. Sanderson inst., Danville, Ohio, N.S., Church formed, 1877. Rev. R. Brown ordained, 1862. Pope driven from Rome, 1798. Rev. J. Wood ordained, 1853. Rev. J. L. Forster inst, Montreal, 1878 Rev. J. Durrant died, 1879. Dr. Thos. Goodwin died, 1680 Rev. T. Binney died, 1874. Zion Church, Toronto, burnt, 1855. Corn Laws Repealed, 1849. Vankleek Hill Church formed, 1864.	8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27	MUWH SSMUWH SSMUWH SSMUWH THE SSMUWH	Rev. R. Brown inst., Middleville, '73. John Wesley died, 1791. Yorkville Church org., 1876. Guelph Association met, 1879. Elihu Burritt died, 1879. Acton Church organized, 1877. William III. died, 1702. Cong. Church, Ottawa, formed, 1860. Kingston new Church ded., 1865. Liverpool, N.S., new Church ded., '70. Newmarket Ch. re-organized, 1877. Duchess of Kent died, 1861. New Church, Manilla, ded., 1861. Princess Louise born, 1848. First rec'd eclipse of moon, B.C., 720. Spring begins. Massawippi Church ded., 1862. Queen Elizabeth died, 1603. Annunciation. First Printing in England, 1471. Rev. J. L. Poore died, 1867. Canada ceded to France, 1632. Test Act passed, 1673. High Com. Court established, 1539.
MARKET STORM	and the control of	April, 1880.—30 Days,	May, 1880.—31 Days.		
1 23 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30	TH SSMUWH TH SSMUWH TH SSMUWH TH THE	Rev. H. J. Colwell inst., Watford, Rev. A. Duff inst. Sherbrooke, 1862. Rev. S. N. Jackson ord., 1866. Canada discovered, 1499. Great Fire in Toronto, 1847. Granby Cong. Church burnt, 1879. Cong. College, B.N.A., closed, 1879. Rev. Dr. Wilkes ordained, 1832. Rev. Rowland Hill died, 1833. Rev. W. J. Cuthbertson ord., 1877. Edict of Nantes, 1598. Pres. A. Lincoln assassinated, 1865. Parker Church organized, 1876. Rev. J. Porter died, 1874. Bond St. Ch., Toronto, formed, 1849. Cromwell dis. Long Parlm't, 1653. Rev. W. H. Claris ordained, 1872. C. Union of Scotland met, Dundee, St. George. [1879. Rev. A. McFadyen ord., Montreal Princess Alice born, 1843. [1879. Paris new Church opened, 1876. Rev. W. Clarke died, 1878. Test Act Repealed, 1828. Southwark Cong. seized, 1632. Puritans forbidden to emig., 1637.	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	SSMTWH TFSSMTWH TFSSMTWH TFSSMUH TFSSM	New Bond St. Church Toronto, ded., [1879.] Columbus discovered Jamaica, 1491. Rev. A. Duff ordained, 1841. Rev. C. B. Woodcock, ord., 1876. London Tract Society formed, 1799. Cong. Union, Eng., formed, 1832. Cong. Library, London, opened, 1831. Puritans sailed to Mass., 1629. Cong. Union of England met, 1879. Col. Miss. Society, estab., 1836. Dom'n Parliament prorogued, 1879. Embro Church organized, 1872. Rev. H. D. Hunter inst. Newmarket [1878.] Free Ch. of Scotland formed, 1843. Act of Uniformity, 1662. Coverdale died. 1567. Bethel Ch., Kingston, form'd, 1874. Savoy Confession adopted, 1680. Rev. G. Willett ord, Vankleek Hill, Queen Victoria born, 1819. [1878.] Wesley Cong. Ch., Montreal, ded., '79 Rev. R. W. Wallace ord., 1872. Rev. W. Ewing, B.A., ord., 1879. Rev. J. I. Hindley inst., Oro, 1879. Rev. J. C. Wright ord. Franklin, '78. Jerome of Prague martyred, 1416. Douglas Church organized, 1868.

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POPULATION OF GREAT BRITAIN, 1871.

England and Wales, 22,712,266; Scotland, 3,360,018; Ireland, 5,411,416; Islands, 144,638; Army and Navy (abroad), 229,000; total, 31,857,335.

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OFFICIAL LIST, 1879-1880.

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Statistical Secretary.—Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.A., Yorkville.

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Programme for next meeting, which will be held in Belleville, in October:—Paper by Rev. John Wood "On the examination and reception of members into our Churches;" Rev. Geo. Willett, Review of Dr. Dale's book on "The Atonement;" Essay by Rev. Hugh Pedley, B. A.; Exposition on Heb. vi. 1-6, by Rev. John Brown; Reports from the Churches by the pastors; the Annual Sermon, by Rev. S. N. Jackson, M. D.

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MINISTERIAL AND ECCLESIASTICAL RECORD.

FOR 1878-79.

I .- ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS.

Rev E. Ireland, installed at Pine Grove, August 27th, 1878.

" Francis Wrigley, ordained at South Caledon, September 11th, 1878.

" Joseph Griffith, installed at Hamilton, January 3rd, 1879.

" J. G. Sanderson, installed at Danville, Que., February 12th, 1879.
" H. J. Colwell, installed at Watford and Warwick, April 2nd, 1879.

"Allan L. McFadyen, ordained at Inspector street, Montreal, April 24th, 1879.
"E. D. Silcox accepts charge of Unionville Church along with Stouffville.

" W. Ewing, B.A., ordained May 27th, 1879.

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" J. I. Hindley, M.A., installed at Oro, May 28th, 1879.

II. - RESIGNATIONS AND REMOVALS.

Rev. A. Vancamp, resigned Emmanuel Church, Brantford, September, 1878.

" R. Robinson, resigned Wiarton Church, October 1st, 1878.

" Joseph Griffith, removed from Garafraxa to Hamilton, January 1st, 1879.

" Prof Fenwick, resigned Eastern Church, Montreal.

" J. G. Sanderson, removed from Oro to Danville, January, 1879.

" David Hickey, resigns Pleasant River and Ohio, N.S.

" J. A. R. Dickson, resigned pastoral charge of the Northern Congregational Church, Toronto, January, 1879.

"Charles B. Woodcock, resigned charge of the church in St. John, N.B. H. J. Colwell, removed from Alton to Watford and Warwick, Feb. 1st, '79. J. F. Malcolm, resigned charge of Whitby Church, February, 2nd, 1879.

" E. C. W. McColl, B.A., resigned charge of Markham and Unionville, February, 1879.

" J. Davis, removed from Acton to Ayr, May 28th, 1879.

" M. S. Gray, resigned Turnberry and Howick Churches, June, 1879.
" E. Ireland, resigned charge of Pine Grove Church, July, 1879.

III.-DEATHS.

Rev. Joseph Wheeler, August 21st, 1878, at Bolton, Ont., aged 70 years.

"Hiram Denny, January 21th, 1879, at Alton, Ont., aged 86 years.

"John Durrant, February 21st, 1879, at Stratford, Ont, aged 82 years.

IV.—CHURCH EDIFICES.

Bethel New Church, Kingston, dedicated November 10th, 1878.
Granby Church, destroyed by fire, April 8th, 1879.
Bond Street, Toronto, New Church, opened May 1st, 1879.
Wesley Congregational Church, Montreal, dedicated May 25th, 1879.
Bowmanville, New Church commenced, 1878.
Sheddon New Church commenced, 1879.
Waterville, Que., corner stone of New Church laid June 25th, 1879.
Unionville, New Church commenced, 1879.
Petrolia, Ont., New Church organized, July 14th, 1879.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

THE REV. JOSEPH WHEELER.

The Rev. Joseph Wheeler, of Bolton village, was born at Lingbridge Deverhill, Wiltshire, England, Sept. 4th, 1808. He was the youngest of a family of six children—three boys and three girls. But little is known of his parents, except that they were poor, and attended the Independent Chapel of the place. The very limited early education he enjoyed was received at the day school connected with the chapel. His mother died when he was but ten years of age. His father soon married again, and the further superintendence of his earlier life was left to him and the boy's stepmother. He was put to the occupation of a tile-maker in his native town. Two months and a day after he became of age, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary L. Cowley, of the same place, who for nearly half a century was the affectionate partner of his joys and sorrows, and who, with an adopted daughter respectably settled in life, now survives to mourn his loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler, with others of their native town, emigrated to Canada in the year 1831. Their place of settlement was in the township of Dummer, in the neighbourhood of Rice Lake. After a brief period, the summer frost and unaccustomed backwoods toils drove them to the State of New York. Here our subject took up the trade of a carriage ironer. It must have been while here, or immediately after his return to Canada, that he gave himself more decidedly than ever to the service of the Saviour. Lines entitled "Mother's Grave," written at the age of fourteen, show not only the high estimate in which he held her, but breathe a spirit of Christian resignation and hope which indicates that his early religious education had been neither neglected nor fruitless. But, July 27th, 1837, he entered into formal covenant with the Lord by an "INDENTURE," signed and sealed, in which he declares, "I do hereby and this day render myself unreservedly to thy service, O, Lord." Not very far from this time, it was, doubtless, that the Rev. J. Roaf, of Toronto, "found him near Norwood by Rice Lake, blacksmithing and preaching, and was taken with him." In the year of his ordination, 1839, he records "a renewal of a former covenant," March 14th, in which he prays: "henceforth, O, God, give me me, ma

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While at Norwood, he was instrumental in building a Congregational church. He collected for it among the churches, occupied its pulpit on the Sabbath, wrought at the anvil during the week, and with others subscribed liberally towards the cost of its erection. The The Rev. J. Durrant succeeded him in the pastorate.

From this place, Mr. Wheeler was called to Bolton in the year 1845. It was in this pastorate, that he became so widely known and truly beloved. But all along, from his youth in England we find, as might be expected, pleasing evidence of those traits of character which subsequently rendered his life so unique and eventful.

The Rev. Mr. Unsworth, of Georgetown, who has known him for many years, says, "He impressed you as being a man of strong faith and guileless disposition, and some might think that his faith bordered on superstition. For instance: once he had come to Georgetown, and his horse could not be found in or around the stable in which he had been put the night before. 'Never mind,' said father Wheeler, 'it will be all right: the Lord will take care of him; I shall not trouble myself about it.' Others thought the horse should be searched for, and, accordingly started to hunt him. Soon he was brought back, and our friend remarked, 'I told you the Lord would take care of him.'"

One winter evening, he and the small circle of his household had been singing, he accompanying on the bass-viol. At the mention of bedtime, the programme was about to be changed when Mrs. W. remarked, "we have nothing in the house for breakfast." Quaintly and cheerily our friend replies, "If that be the case, we may as well have another tune." And they forthwith begin again, doubtless, some appropriate hymn. While they are singing a rap is heard at the door, and a person residing in the village enters and says, "I was at work on my bench" (shoemaker's): "and the thought came to me,—"How does Mr. Wheeler live? I never hear anything about a subscription for his salary.' I had some flour at the mill, and then and there, I thought I would bring you a bag. There it is." I need not say that our trustful brother found in this as in many other instances, convincing evidence that his prayer for help "to live unanxious in all things whatsoever of a worldly matter," was not unanswered.

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hnis ,,'' Our subject, like the great Apostle, did not disdain to "labor, working with his own hands." A somewhat blunt countryman of his own used to say to him, "Ah, mun, the Lord spoiled a good mechanic when he made yo a preacher." But this was a mistake, he was a good mechanic still. We have not space to enumerate his varied, useful Christian work by means of this gift of God in him. But a few days before his death, he repaired a clock for an English-church woman in the village. She subsequently remarked, "I shall never forget his conversation while he was at work that day."

He wrote hymns of no mean merit; he composed music and set tunes to his hymns, and he sang and played them on organs which he himself built. He was a self-educated man in the truest if not in the fullest sense of that term.

He was no novice in Theology. He read the Greek Testament intelligently, and, to some extent, critically. He was eminently evangelical in his views; yet, in a general sense, broad and independent, without being dangerous.

An intelligent deacon of one of our city churches, who enjoyed his ministry, for several years, at its best, says of him. "In his pulpit he was pastor of his flock, the father in the midst of his family. His sermons were generally bright and encouraging. He loved to dwell on the goodness and mercy of God.

. . . . He was very effective in conducting the services of the Lord's Supper. In these, I think, he was excelled by no minister I have ever met." He was simple as a child, yet mighty in prayer.

He was a warm friend of the Temperance cause; believed in Prohibition, but used all his persuasive powers as well, to induce men, by the help of God, to desist from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

Mr. Wheeler was a man; and he had a keen sense of all that was manly in men and natural to them. In his genial way he dealt with them as such rather than with their circumstances. He was as much at home in the palace of the merchant prince in Montreal as in the cottage of the poorest peasant in Bolton Village. Religiously, he did not see men as Congregationalists, Methodists, Episcopalians, or Roman Catholics, but he saw them as men, christian or otherwise. His community, therefore, knew him and loved him. He had reached humanity's heart there, and all doors were open to him; the children on the street had all a respectful "Good-morning, Mr. Wheeler," for him. Shortly after his death, an intelligent

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For several years past, it was evident to him that his end was fast approaching. Twice before his death he had been stricken down by paralysis. On one occasion he wrote to a friend "I preached on Sabbath what I expect will be my last sermon." Contrary to this expectation, the Lord enabled His servant again to enter upon His work. He occupied his pulpit on Sabbath, the 18th, August,—his last on earth—in, apparently, his usual health. On leaving the house of a friend on Monday evening, he remarked, "I shall soon have a call." During the greater part of the following day he was confined to bed. A breaking up of the entire system, hastened by dysentery, and, during the last few hours, by an attack of paralysis, was the Master's "call," which he cheerfully obeyed, on Wednesday afternoon, the 21st of August, 1878; in the thirty-third year of his pastorate in Bolton, and lacking only two weeks of the seventieth year of his age.

His physician had been delayed in attending him in the forenoon of Wednesday, by illness. When he came to his bedside, he remarked, "O doctor, how I did want to do something to help you!" and in a little while he literally "fell on sleep," and breathed his last. Thus, peacefully, and thinking of doing for others before himself, Father Wheeler died as he had lived. Though gone from earth, he lives in the esteem of a very wide circle of friends, extending to many parts of this province, and even to distant lands. Many who heard of his death came from Toronto and other places to attend his funeral. The Rev. Peter Campbell preached an eloquent sermon on the Resurrection, and a large concourse of people of all denominations bore him to his last resting place in the grounds in which the remains of so

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THE REV. HIRAM DENNY.

On the 24th of January, 1870, the Rev. Hiram Denny, of Alton, Ont., entered peacefully into the joy of his Lord at the ripe age of eighty-six years.

Of his early life little is known, except that he was a soldier

in the "Horse Guards."

It was during his military life that he was brought to a knowledge of Christ, and became an earnest Christian worker.

After leaving the army, he was set apart to the work of the ministry.

In the year 1836, he emigrated to Canada, with his wife and children. Upon his arrival, he was directed to what is now the city of Guelph, where dwelt a few families of Congregationalists. He was warmly welcomed, and soon engaged to minister to them the Word of life. The late Mr. Meikle gave him the use of part of his house, and a horse for missionary work, and with the other friends contributed liberally toward his support. A church was organized, and for some months he conducted service on the Sabbath, while most of the rest of the week he visited the neighbourhood around, preaching the gospel. Eramosa, Eden Mills, and Swackhammer's (now Churchhill) were favoured with his ministrations, and in all these places churches were organized. The latter place presented such opportunities for usefulness that Mr. Denny soon removed there with his family. This was at a time when privileges were few and hardships many, both for minister and people. Cheerfully, however, he accepted his lot.

From this place as a centre, he went forth to the McClellan and McDonald settlements, now known as Alton and South Caledon. Here many were saved through his ministry, and churches were organized. Other brethren soon entered these fields of missionary labour, and successfully carried on the work he had begun.

His attention was next directed to the township of Trafalgar, and especially to the village of Oakville. Churches were also organized here, and for years he laboured diligently in this large field. He was at this time an itinerant indeed, his family seldom seeing him except when once in two weeks his Sabbath appointment was at home. Georgetown, lying between these two places, was without a pastor, and so he was invited to give them occasional service. This led to his being invited to, and accepting the pastoral oversight of the church in Georgetown. In 1851, he resigned this pastorate and went west.

In a few years, however, he was invited back to Trafalgar, and his wife and eldest daughter having died, and his youngest daughter having married, he thought of spending his remaining years among the people he loved. But visiting the friends in Alton, in 1861, when they were without a pastor, he was pressed to return. This he did, and soon after going there, married again.

A few years afterwards, old age and increasing infirmities, compelled him to give up the work of the regular ministry. He

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continued, however, for some time to employ his remaining energies in occasional preaching, tract distribution, and visiting.

For some weeks before his death, increasing weakness confined him to the house, and on the 24th of January the

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His literary and theological attainments were very limited, and his manner was odd and peculiar. Yet, he was an earnest, devoted, untiring servant of God; in labours more abundant, possessing a constitution of iron, which he never spared in Christ's work.

Multitudes were brought to Christ through his instrumentality, and many were comforted through his visitations and prayers in the times of their sorrow. He filled well his place in the times in which he lived, and amongst the people with whom he laboured. Others are reaping where he sowed, and in due time the sower and reaper will meet and rejoice together. His death was improved, at Alton, by Rev. J. Unsworth, from Ps. cxvi. 15. to a large and attentive congregation.

THE REV. JOHN DURRANT.

This venerable servant of God, and minister of his Gospel, quietly passed away to his rest on the 21st of February, 1879, after an illness of four years and a-half, at the advanced age of eighty-three years. Although, in consequence of his having been so long laid aside from active ministerial life, Mr. Durrant was but little known to the younger members of our churches, his many years of service in our Canadian pastorate makes it fitting that he should not pass away from our midst without some brief notice of his life and labours.

Mr. Durrant was born in the town of Brighton, July 2nd, 1796. Having been converted to God, in his fifteenth year, through a sermon preached by that remarkable young minister the Rev. Thomas Spencer, of Liverpool, he first became a member at the Countess of Huntingdon's chapel in that place, where he was actively engaged in a Young People's prayermeeting, the Sabbath-school, and in a singing class. Being possessed of great natural musical gifts, at the age of seventeen he was chosen leader of the choir, and soon afterwards became reader of the Liturgy and Church Service, an office which he held for three years.

Several ministers who officiated in the chapel at Brighton urged him to give himself to the work of the ministry. He

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began a course of reading and study under the direction of several of these gentlemen, with a view to entering the Countess' College when his apprenticeship was completed.

For three years he employed his Sabbaths in preaching the Gospel in neighbouring villages, walking often from twenty-five to thirty miles on the Sabbath and holding three services.

At the end of this term he became despondent with respect to the ministry, went into business in Portsea, and tried to give up all thoughts of ministerial work. This he was not able to do, however. Business did not prosper; he was still drawn towards the Lord's work, and after a few years he gave up business, and returned to Brighton. The Rev. R. Stoddart wrote him urging him to relinquish secular pursuits altogether, telling him that he was persuaded that he was fighting against God, and that he was being chastened for his obstinacy in opposing the clear intimation of the Master's will in past days.

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A vacancy occurring in Shoreham, six miles from Brighton, Mr. Durrant went to supply the pulpit there, and afterwards became the pastor of that people, being ordained by the Rev. Messrs. Winchester of Worthing, and Robert Stoddart of London. There he laboured for ten years, when clouds and darkness again came over him, and he resigned his pastorate, and taught music in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, where his success was such that he had at one time as many as 5,000 pupils.

At this period the thought of coming to Canada, which had been latent in his mind for many years, revived, and he sought an engagement, with that view, in connection with the Colonial Missionary Society. He was referred by its Secretary to the Rev. Mr. Roaf, who was then the Society's agent for Upper Canada, with whom he corresponded, and as the result, he came to this country in 1843, settling first in Asphodel, as the successor of the late "Father Wheeler," who has so recently entered into rest. After nineteen months of arduous labour in Asphodel, where he suffered many hardships and privations, he was advised by the Missionary Committee to relinquish that field, and occupy Newmarket. Thence he removed successively to London, about 1848; to Stouffville, in 1852; to Southwold, in 1860; and the next year to Stratford, which was his last pastoral charge, and which he voluntarily relinquished, under a sense of his growing infirmities, in 1867. In all these places his labours were abundant, and, in many instances, were greatly blessed of God.

About four years and a-half ago, Mr. Durrant was visited with a stroke of paralysis, which completely laid him aside,

and rendered him entirely helpless, and to a large extent unconscious of what was passing around him. All that thoughtful care and loving attention could do to alleviate the distress of such a condition, was cheerfully and ceaselessly done by his children, and his aged and feeble partner. His sufferings, although so protracted, were borne with wonderful patience, and an abiding and all-conquering trust in God. Though apparently dead to all the world around, he always remembered to ask a blessing before taking food, and always with *uplifted* hand, and "for Christ's sake." One day, in spring, when everything was beautiful, and green, and sunshiny, his daughter, Mrs. Kirk, drew his attention to the loveliness of the morning, and desired him to look out. "Yes," he said, and repeated the verse:—

"Could I but climb where Moses stood," etc.

To a dear friend who often called in to ask how he was, his uniform answer was, "waiting!" So true and faithful is the promise of God:—"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee." Gradually his physical strength failed, till at last, on the morning of the day above named, the weary pilgrim, without a groan or a word, was lifted from the terrestial to the celestial, by the tender hand of his heavenly Father.

On the second of March, the Rev. H. Hughes preached an impressive and appropriate funeral discourse, in the Congregational church, from the words of Rev. xiv. 13, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." Thus, one by one, the "fathers" are passing away.

REV. THOMAS RATTRAY.

The following sketch of the life of this recently deceased minister is from the pen of the Rev. J. G. Manly, a life-long friend, and is felt to be deserving of a place among these Obituary Notices, on account of Mr. Rattray's former connection with

the Congregational body.

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The Rev. Thomas Rattray was born in Dundee, Scotland, July 23rd, 1814; was educated in the University of St. Andrew's; and in 1831 came to Canada. It appears that his spiritual life began in Montreal, though by what particular means or in what manner I don't know. When I went to Montreal to minister in 1835-6, I found him not only a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Body but accusomed to aid in leading the devotions of the prayer-meeting. He was then a partner in a large mercantile

house, but about ten years afterwards he entered the ministry of the Methodist Church in Upper Canada, and was two years in St. Catharines and two in Hamilton. On retiring from the Methodist Body, he became a Congregational minister at Drummondville, then at Cowansville, and then at Salisbury, New Hampshire. A very severe affliction, in the last mentioned place, compelled him to relinquish all pastoral work in 1857; from which time till 1864, he resided at Concord, N. H., then till 1870 at Concord, Mass., and then till his death in Toronto. After his retirement from the pastorate, he addicted himself, more than ever, to Biblical study. His intellect was clear, calm and critical, and the great object of his pursuit was the revealed truth of God. In Toronto, his Biblical studies were chiefly in Eschatology, with which, as it is usually taught, he was much dissatisfied. He felt that only the doctrine of a historical Regal Advent could give the key to the meaning and harmony of very many Scripture passages, and serve as the principle of a true Eschatology. With this conviction, he read and wrote very extensively, and in 1878 published a discourse on the Regal Advent and emancipation from Sheol, as historical events. He also corresponded on this and kindred points with authors and ministers of ability and repute, and was most earnest for the recognition and extension of Biblical teaching. My own intercourse with him on these things was unreserved and very pleasant. Six months before his death, his health began to fail; but for a good while without any serious indication. By the advice of his Physician and friends, he repaired to Lachine, to the house of his nephew, Mr. Marshall, on the 13th ult., but with a strong impression that he would not recover, which proved, alas, too well-founded, for about three o'clock on the morning of the 7th, he calmly passed away from the friends he loved below to the innumerable multitude above.

The large gathering of intelligent acquaintances and friends at his funeral, on the 9th July, 1879, in Toronto evinced how much he was respected and regretted. His memory is lovingly cherished by many. His very failings leaned to virtue's side, and need not be re-called. His departure has made a gap in many hearts that cannot be filled, and shaded many a circle of kinship and acquaintance. His friends in Christ glorify the grace of God in him, and by the same grace are on their way to the Re-union of the skies.

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HISTORIAL SKETCH OF THE CENTRAL ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO.

BY THE REV. W. W. SMITH.

After the meeting of the Congregational Union in Montreal, in June, 1857, the subject of having smaller and local bodies for the same general purposes, and of the same general nature of the "Union," seemed to be working in the minds of some of the ministers, especially with Rev. James Howell, then just called to Guelph. It was agreed, after some correspondence, to hold a meeting to form an Association of Churches and Ministers, on the day following the installation of Mr. Howell in Guelph. Accordingly, on Thursday, 8th October, 1857, at 9 a.m., such a meeting was convened in the old Congregational Church, in Quebec Street. There were present, as members, the Revs. H. Denny, E. A. Noble, J. Unsworth, E. Barker, and J. Howell; and as visitors, Reys. A. Lillie, D.D., F. H. Marling, and J. Wood. Three delegates were present,—Mr. Russell, of Caledon, W. S. Armstrong, of Eramosa, and C. J. Mickle, of Guelph, also Mr. Hollis, a colporteur of the U. C. Tract Society. At this first meeting the organization of the Association was resolved, and a committee of three appointed to prepare a Constitution, to be presented at another meeting to be held at Caledon (Alton,) on the 21st of the same month. The Revs. F. H. Marling, J. Wheeler, and J. McLean, came in as new members. A public meeting was held in the evening, at which Messrs. Barker, McLean and Denny, spoke on subjects appointed them. A very full programme for the next meeting was adopted, in which provision was made for a private ministerial session, to comprise Criticism on the Association Sermon, two Plans of Sermons, and an Exegesis. A Delegates' session was also provided for; but it was found that the Delegates' sessions, from small attendance, and want of practice in such matters, were dull; and this part of the plan was modified afterwards.

In 1858, meetings were held in February and September, in Eramosa and Georgetown, respectively. The Chairman, from the first, has always been elected at the semi-annual session; and the Secretary, annually, at the autumn meeting. Rev. James Howell was Secretary for the first year; and from the end of the first year, down to 1866—nearly eight years—Rev. Joseph Unsworth did good service as Secretary. The election of Chairman and Secretary has always been by ballot.

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The Papers read during 1858, were on "The best means of conducting Prayer-meetings," and, "Revivals, the best means of promoting and conducting them." As in one of the Delegates' sessions, it was agreed that Prayer-meetings, Fellowship-meetings, and Pastoral visitations, are the best means for the spiritual welfare of the Church, the Association resolved to discuss the question of Fellowship-meetings. Whether they did or not, I do not know: but in 1859, Rev. E. Barker read an essay on the subject. In the latter year also, a letter of dismission was given to Rev. F. H. Marling, to enable him to unite with the Association formed near Toronto. Of this latter Association we have no further traces in our record; and Bro. Marling again became a member of the North-Western Association in October, 1863.

It has always been the unsatisfactory experience of the Association to have a great many more papers provided for in the programme of each ensuing meeting than were ever actually prepared or read: an experience we have to this day. In 1860, I can only find the record of one paper being read, on "Read or Spoken Sermons; which the best?" by Bro. Unsworth. In 1861, in consequence of the adoption of the sliding scale of missionary grants, on the part of the Colonial Missionary Society, a series of Resolutions were passed by the Association, as the result of a full discussion of the subject; the principal point in which was that the English brethren, in applying their new method, should only do so with the money that came from England; and leave the Canadian money to be disposed of by the Missionary Committee in Canada, as the donors may direct. During this year Rev. R. Hay came into membership, and the next year (1862) the Brothers Brown. The Papers read in 1862, were, "The best means of raising funds for the support of the Gospel," and "The relation between children of believers and the Church." In 1863, a meeting of the Association was held in Toronto, and the two churches there, Zion and Second (now Bond Street) became associated, and the Association thenceforth assumed the name of "The Central Association." In all these earlier years of the Association, a marked feature of the meetings was the reports of the State of Religion in the various Churches. These were always in order. The same feature is observable still.

During the first five years of the Association, the following subjects were either discussed by the Association, (in addition to the subjects presented in the essays read,) or presented in addresses at the public evening meetings:—

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To the Undecided—Individual Effort—Prayer for the Pastor—Immediate Decision—Prayerful Study of the Scriptures—Personal Holiness—Can we not have a Revival?—Best means of developing talent in the Church—Family Worship—On Deacons—To the Thoughtless—To the Unsaved—Prayer, and Prayer-meetings—Christian Example—Parental Duty—Counsels to Young Believers—How to bring young people into the Church?

This long array of deeply interesting and practical subjects could not be thus presented or discussed without great benefits resulting somewhere. In 1863, in addition to Mr. Marling's re-admission, already noted, Revs. T. S. Ellerby, T. M. Reikie, and W. H. Allworth became members. In this year, arrangements were made for holding meetings in two Sections,—The Toronto East Section, and the Toronto West Section. The latter held one meeting (1864) in Georgetown. I cannot find any records of meetings of the Eastern Section, and the distinction of Sections seemed to come to an end. Although no further traces of Delegates' meetings are found in the records of the Association, private sessions of the ministers were still, at times, held at convenient hours during the sittings of the Association, for some years. At length, all meetings were made public.

At various times in the history of the Association, advantage of the presence of the brethren was taken to hold missionary meetings, have church openings, or tea-meetings; not always, perhaps, to the benefit of the aims of the Association, as such. The assertion may be ventured, that a meeting of Association pure and simple, will be found to conduce better to its prosperity, than any combination with other objects. In 1864, Revs. C. Duff and W. F. Clarke became members. At this date, 15 churches were associated, viz.:—The two in Toronto, Eramosa, (Speedside,) Guelph, Eden Mills, (now extinct,) Georgetown, Garafraxa, Alton, South Caledon, Churchhill, Erin, (now extinct,) Bowmanville, Pine Grove, Thistletown, Albion, (Bolton.) In 1863, Papers were read on "Home influence, and Parental Responsibility," and "The best mode of examining Candidates for membership." In 1864, the papers were, "The views of the Plymouth Brethren," and "Church Meetings; best mode of conducting them." In 1865, Rev. D. Macgregor, senior, and Rev. J. G. Sanderson, became members; and in 1866, Revs. B. W. Day, J. G. Manly, and R. Robinson. In the latter year a standing rule was made that the Pastor at the place of next meeting, and the Secretary

should arrange details of meeting. Rev. R. Hay, the same year read a paper on "The best means of bringing out young men for the Ministry." The Minutes continue, "After it was read, remarks were made by the brethren in succession on the essay; the general opinion being that lack of piety in the Churches is the chief hindrance in the way of young men de-

voting themselves to the ministry.

In 1867, Rev. Charles Spettigue, then of Newmarket, was admitted to membership. Brother Spettigue has been dead some years; his death taking place in the United States; and he is the only member in the Association, in the twenty-five years of its existence, who has yet passed away from earth.* The total number is thirty-five: of whom seventeen are members at the present date. In 1867, '68, and '69, only one meeting was held in each year. A "Review Club," among some of the members of the Association, was carried on for several years. The members of the Club (generally about eight in number) paid in two dollars each, annually; and they secured copies of the principal literary and theological Reviews; and read them in turn; and the old numbers were sold every autumn, at the time of the Association meeting, to members of the Club. The Club ceased operation in 1875.

Recent amendments to the Constitution provide, that "The meetings are to be held at such time and place as may be fixed by the Association, or by any Committee appointed for that purpose,"—and that a Committee of arrangements shall be appointed at each meeting to fix details of the next meeting.

In 1872, some Resolutions were passed, and printed for distribution in circular form, on the subject of missionary support and self-help; which gained considerable attention at the time, but led to no definite result. In 1873, the Association Resolved, "That in the opinion of this Association, a certificate of membership in good standing in any of the recognized Associations, should be deemed sufficient to introduce to membership in the Congregational Union."

In 1874, a young man having asked the advice of the Association on the question of his devoting himself to the ministry, and the Association, in Committee of the whole having conferred with him, a standing Committee was appointed, by whom, in future cases, such conferences with young men should be had in the first place, before bringing the cases before the Association. This Committee was to be an annual appointment; but it has not always been appointed, there being little apparent need

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for it. In the same year, the members agreed to spend the half hour from 7:30 to 8, every Saturday Evening, as a special and simultaneous season of prayer for a Revival of God's work in the Churches. Before this (in 1872) the Roll was revised by a Committee; which led to the dropping of several names. In 1868, Revs. M. S. Gray and R. T. Thomas joined. In 1869, Rev. D. Macallum; in 1870, Rev. S. T. Gibbs; in 1871, Rev. W. W. Smith; Revs. J. A. R. Dickson and S. N. Jackson joined in 1872. None in 1873; but three viz., Revs. R. Bulman, C. H. Silcocks and E. D. Silcox, in 1874, Revs. J. I. Hindley and J. Wood became members in 1875 and Rev. H. J. Colwell in 1876.

In addition to the list already given, the following subjects

have, at various times been before the Association.

Essays read and discussed:—Church Psalmody. The Elements of a Church's Success. Fraternization of the Churches. Duties of a Pastor to the Young People of his Charge. Expository Preaching. Need of more complete organization in the Denomination. Subjects for Baptism. Sabbath School Work. Church-meetings. A good Minister of Jesus Christ. Church Architecture. Prayer-meetings. Jesus and the Resurrection. On Prayer. What shall be done by our Churches, with a view to their growth? The Pastor in the Household. Confirmation of Scripture from the Monuments. Deliverance from Sin. Training of young Converts. Lay Preaching. Fatherhood of God. Christian Periodical Literature. Pastoral Visitation. All these subjects were, at more or less length, discussed by the Association: as well as the following subjects, introduced orally, viz: —Why are not more children of believing parents in early life converted to God? Relation of the Pulpit to the Pew. Regeneration. Sanctification, as taught in the Scriptures. Sin. Future Punishment. Sabbath Schools.

The following subjects of address at the Evening Public meetings of the Association, are likewise noted in the minutes:

—Public Prayer.—How to retain the Elder Scholars in the Sabbath School.—Private Devotion.—Duty of confessing Christ. Christianity in England.—Support of the Gospel.—Necessity and Importance of the Young giving themselves to Christ.—Western Congregationalism.—Work of the Spirit.—Christian work among the Young.—Spiritual Fellowship.—Work of Churchmembers.—Building Churches.—Power of Prayer.—Decision for Christ.—Constitution of the Churches.—Union of Churches.

Special Services.—Our Young People.—Loyalty to Christ.—Early Decision.—Personal Religion.—Vitalizing power of the Gospel.—The Scottish Revival.—Modern Sectarianism.—Fel-

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The Association has had a new Chairman at every meeting—nearly all the brethren, and some of them more than once, having been thus honored. The Secretary, an annual appointment, has seen but few changes—Brother Unsworth being Secretary from 1858 to 1867; Brother Day, from 1867 to 1872; and W. W. Smith from 1872 to 1877.

Meetings of the Association have been held three times in Zion Church, Toronto; five times in the Second Church; twice in the Northern Church; once in Guelph; (Guelph is now considered out of the bounds); four times in Alton; twice in Speedside; (out of the bounds now); five times at Georgetown; once in Bolton; twice in Church-hill; once in South Caledon; three times in Pine Grove; once in Newmarket; twice in Markham; once in Whitby; once in Bowmanville; and twice in Stouffville.

Wherever the Association has been, the members and delegates have always received the most abounding Christian hospitality. It is hoped the presence of the brethren has been, in not a few instances, a blessing spiritually. The travelling expenses of the members have generally been fully or very nearly met by the collections. In the foregoing sketch of the Association, and its work, I have refrained generally from giving any opinions, but have confined myself to facts, drawn from the Minutes; and occasionally, and very slightly, supplemented (as to the last few years) by memory.

WHAT ARE THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF UNITY IN DENOMINATIONAL FELLOWSHIP AND ACTION?

A PAPER READ AT THE MEETING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC, IN JUNE, 1879.

BY REV. DR. WILKES.

Fellowship and co-operation commend themselves at once to our calmest judgment and our best feelings. Man was not created to live and act alone. Our mightiest and purest instincts demand association with others; and that association requires fellowship and co-operation. Fellowship is mainly a matter belonging to our moral nature. It is awakened by mutual sym-

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Now it is plainly not at all needful to this fellowship whether of the individual soul with the Father and the Son, or of Christian believers one with the other, that there should be precise agreement in views of truth or in modes of action. It may be doubted if any two disciples of the Master form precisely the same estimate of any given truth, for even if they unite in the use of the same words, the conceptions which those words express differ in the two cases; and then neither of them may be in exact harmony with His estimate, who is the God of Truth. Certainly there can be, and there is true Christian fellowship among the servants of Christ who have great diversities of conceptions and of estimates of truth. If this were not so, as it seems to me, there could be no fellowship at all. In both references just made the fellowship is based upon love; love of God and love of the brotherhood; a love, however, which supposes a common basis of faith, and which could have no possible existence apart from resting on certain great fundamental facts and truths revealed to us of the Father through the Son. Hence, let me say in passing, I see not how we can rid ourselves of the distinction between facts and truths that are essential and those which are non-essential, or how we can in every instance define precisely for others the line between the two. At the same time it is manifest that such line must be drawn somewhere, and it is not intolerance nor is it bigotry to draw it where there is a general agreement of the Christian judgment and consciousness, and to restrict our denominational fellowship within that

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line. We do not deal unkindly or uncharitably with those without that line, but simply decline fellowship with them in matters where there is such fundamental disagreement.

Denominational fellowship and co-operation must be conditioned on the distinctive characteristics of the denomination. In our case there are no rigid connexional relations between the churches as in Methodism and Presbyterianism; if there were we should have to inquire into their nature in order to get at the essential elements of unity; but, on the contrary, our churches are based on the principle of completeness within themselves and entire independence as to authority, the one of the other. We hold association to be next in importance to independence; it is a matter not of choice merely but of duty to the Master and to the brethren; but it is association without aught of lordship or authority, it is a combining in mutual interest and affection for co-operative action of self-contained and free churches, every one of which calls none but Christ "Master and Lord." It follows that the nature of the fellowship and of the co-working in this case is substantially the same as in those of Christians towards the Father and the Son, and towards one another individually. It is mainly the same thing in its application to society which has been hinted at in its application to the individual disciple. There must be love, in order to which there must be confidence in the genuineness of character, and there must be a going forth of this love in practical sympathy and helpfulness. The love of the brethren for Christ's sake must extend to the associate church, on the assumption that it is a congregation of faithful men and women who love and serve the Lord Christ. But inasmuch as all such companies of disciples may be expected to contain defective members, perhaps self-deceived, or it may be only pretenders, the confidence and affection and co-operation are extended towards the whole, as generally characterized by true godliness in heart and life. Inquiry is not made into the matter of exceptions; Christian charity embraces the whole, and loving fellowship and co-operation do the same. At the same time there is a principle in the case which may not be ignored and which is essential to fellowship, namely, that the churches of Christ are to be composed of those and those only who afford credible evidence of having been born again of the Spirit of Ged—having passed from spiritual death unto spiritual life. Without the practical recognition of this principle you cannot with propriety exercise the unity in fellowship and action which we exhibit in receiving the members of one church into another by simple letters of transference and commendation.

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If such be a true view of the case then it would appear:

1. That precise accordance in the estimate of all Christian truth is not an essential element. There may be large diversity within the line of the non-essential. The range of truly evangelical sentiment and interpretation of Scripture admits of numerous points of difference within it, concerning which the best men fail to agree. The claims of fellowship, however, require them to agree to differ.

2. Not only in what we are wont to denominate as doctrinal truths may there be such diversity of sentiment, but also in practical duties there may be a wide difference of estimate without touching on unity in fellowship and action. Inter alia this point may be illustrated by the following questions: "Ought the Lord's Supper to be observed weekly, or monthly, or still less frequently?" "Is it proper to observe it without an ordained pastor as the presiding brother?" "If a professing Christian has been cut off from the fellowship of a church for flagrant iniquity, what amount of evidence of repentance would justify his restoration thereto, and how long time of probation should be required?" "If a minister of Christ and pastor of a church should be in this sad case, what evidence should be required in his case; and then, is he or is he not, though truly penitent, disqualified for further ministerial and pastoral service?" "If a church of Christ is conscientiously, and after prayer, satisfied that it ought to receive such an one back to service, being fully convinced that like the apostle, Peter, the Master has forgiven and restored, what is the course which sister churches should pursue?" "Should intermarriage of a professing Christian with one who is not, subject the former to church discipline?" "Is the indulgence in an occasional dance, or in attendance now and then at the theatre or opera, incompatible with good standing in the church, so as to subject the transgressor to discipline?" Many other questions might be introduced to illustrate the kind of practical duties concerning which there may be a wide difference of opinion, without necessarily breaking the unity of fellowship and action. We are not without instances of want of forbearance with one another in love on such questions, and of grievous violation of fellowship in such lack of forbearance. Two churches had been in agreement on the question of the necessity or non-necessity of an ordained minister always presiding at the Lord's table. One of them changed its view of this matter, which, on being reported to the sister church, she remorselessly cut off the offender. This occurred in enlightened Scotland, during the present century—a striking instance of the intolerance which is born of insisting that all should think alike in order to fellowship.

3. General uniformity in church practice as to mode of receiving members, settling a pastor with or without a council, as to hymnology and music, order of public service and such like matters, cannot be in any degree essential to unity of fellowship and action. We have no authoritative directory as to forms and modes of procedure; each church adopts its own.

We are thus brought to the conclusion that as Christ the Lord is the basis on which our faith rests, the Rock of Ages, the corner-stone of our hopes, the essential elements of unity in fellowship and work, must be drawn from Him, and must be found clustered around Him. We must be at one concerning His divine-human person, through whom we have redemption and access to God, and in whom is our life. We must be at one concerning the great purposes of His mission to earth, His ministry, sufferings, death and resurrection and concerning His exaltation and reign. This will include oneness of conviction as to the great need of man, and that this is the only supply of those clamant wants. It will further include oneness regarding the great principles of morality, of obedience to Christ, of freedom in His service, and of the work of the Church for its Lord and King, together with faith in His promises and assurance of ultimate results in triumphant success. The fellowship springing out of supreme love to the One Lord, thus practically exhibits its power in energetic co-operation in all that can promote the interests of the Lord's kingdom. In order to such cooperation there will be required certain temporary or more permanent regimental regulations to be agreed upon by the parties so engaged; these are not of the essence of the fellowship, but are nevertheless of much value in carrying on the work which it proposes to accomplish. To such regulations fellowship demands conformity. Troops must move in line—companies must act as parts of a regiment—so that confusion and loss may be avoided. Much, however, need not be said on this point; for the supremacy and fervour of love for the Master will bring all into line and keep them there. May the churches be filled therewith. Amen!

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BRITISH CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

THE LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Eighty-fifth Annual Meeting of this Society was held in Exeter Hall, London, May 8th, 1879. The Rev. J. O. Whitehouse, Acting Foreign Secretary, read the Report. The present staff consists of 151 missionaries; 353 native ordained missionaries and pastors, and 3,977 native preachers. The income for the previous year was, for general purposes £92,933; for special objects, £8,167; total, £101,100. The balance from last year, proceeds of stock, and balance of Indian Famine Fund, increase the total to £117,813. Expenditure, £123,058. It has eight principal missions, denominated respectively:—The China, North India, South India, Travancore, Madagascar, South Africa, West Indies, and Polynesian Missions, with 101,928 church members, and 388,576 native adherents.

THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH-AID AND HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Was established in 1878, by the fusion of the Home Missionary Society, (organized in 1819), and the several County Unions and Associations, for Missionary purposes, its objects being: 1. "To aid the weaker churches with a view to the more adequate maintenance of the Ministry, and the increase of their general usefulness." 2. "To plant and foster new churches where they are needed," and 3. To provide for the preaching of the Gospel, and other evangelistic work in spiritually destitute places." Income during the first year of its operations, nearly £30,000 stg.

THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF SCOTLAND

In addition to the general purposes of such organizations, is the Home Missionary Society of the body in Scotland, its objects being:—First, To afford to Churches connected with it such pecuniary aid as may be required, to enable them, to the best advantage, to maintain the ordinances of the Gospel among themselves, and to promote its interest in their neighbourhood. Secondly, To employ approved Preachers, in more limited or more extended itinerancies, throughout the country at large. And, Thirdly, To encourage movements designed to originate new Churches in the larger towns. Income last year £3,464, beside several Special Funds.

THE IRISH EVANGELICAL SOCIETY.

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This Society, originated in 1814, has for its object, "To promote the preaching of the Gospel in Ireland, by assisting pastors of Congregational Churches, by supporting missionaries, itinerant preachers, and Scripture readers of the same denomination, and to aid in the education of approved candidates for the Christian ministry intended to labour in that country."

The operations of the institution are carried on throughout the four Provinces of Ireland. The Society employs nineteen Agents—sixteen being Ministers, and three Evangelists, Readers and Teachers, occupying twenty-three stations, and ninety outstations. Its income for 1878-9 was £2,261.

THE COLONIAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This Society was established in 1836, and its object is to promote evangelical religion among British, or other European settlers, and their descendants, in the colonies of Great Britain, in accordance with the doctrine and discipline of Independent or Congregational churches.

The Forty-third Annual Meeting was held in Memorial Hall, London, May 15th, 1879. J. Colman, Esq., M.P., in the chair. The report was read by the Secretary, the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden. The income for 1878-9 was £2,747, 8s. 4d.

CHAPEL BUILDING SOCIETIES.

The London Congregational Chapel Building Society has assisted in the erection of 134 chapels in London, towards which it has made grants, and free loans without interest, amounting to £148,915. It has a practical sub-committee to examine plans, working drawings, specifications and contracts, and offers the benefit of their large experience even where pecuniary aid is not required. Income for 1878, £6,742. Its loan fund amounts to £11,050.

The English Congregational Chapel Building Society, formed under the sanction of the Congregational Union, has for its field of operations England and Wales (excepting London and Lancashire), the Channel Islands, and, by special contribution, Ireland and the Colonies. It has assisted in erecting or improving 509 churches, to the extent of over £148,000. It has a loan fund of nearly £50,000. Income, 1878, £13,315.

The Lancashire and Cheshire Congregational Chapel and School-Building Society has assisted in the building of 35 chapels and 10 schools in the counties named, towards which it

has contributed £21,600. A fund of £30,000 is being raised with a view to the erection of 50 chapels within the next five years. Income not given.

The Scottish Congregational Chapel Building Society has a

capital of £2,600. Income for 1878, £612.

The colony of Victoria has also its Chapel Building Society, with a capital of £3,141. Its scheme is explained thus:—"To raise money by free subscriptions, collections, etc., which becomes the capital of the Association, and is lent out for the building and repairing of churches, Sunday schools and parsonages, or removing debts upon them, on terms equivalent to ten annual repayments of £8 for £100, or £80 in ten years. Out of each annual repayment of £8, the sum of £2 is added to the capital of the Association, and the remaining £6 is traded with (if the expression may be allowed), by which the remaining amount is increased to £100 at the end of ten years. In this way £20 will be saved out of every £100 by the borrowing Church; £20, with interest thereon will be added to the capital of the Association; the loan of £100 will be repaid at the end of ten years, and all the working expenses of the Association will be met. If it be asked how is the £6 to be traded with so as to be increased to £100 in ten years, it is done by paying £5 4s. as subscriptions into one of the Melbourne General Building and Investment Societies. And if it be asked how are the working expenses to be met, that is done with the 16s., the difference between the £5 4s. and the £6."

South Australia has also its Chapel Building Society, with

a loan fund of £2,000.

BRITISH AND COLONIAL CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGES.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON, BURLINGTON HOUSE, PICCADILLY, ESTABLISHED, 1837.

Name.	Number of Students.	Number of Professors.	Income.
Western College, Plymouth	19	2	£1,494
Rotherham College	26	3	1,409
Cheshunt College	39	4	3,243
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Hackney College			
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Lancashire Independent College53	3	4.228
Spring Hill, Birmingham26		2,760
New College, London45		4,470
Theological College, Scotland		798
Memorial College, Brecon		1,880
Independent College, Bala41	3	1,153
Carmarthen	$2\ldots$	910
Congregational Institute, Bristol	2	1.082
Congregational Institute, Nottingham59		2,468
Congregational College, Victoria, Melbourne 8		582
Camden College, Sydney 5	2	539
Union College, South Australia21	3	250
Congregational College, B. N. America 16		
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There are also Institutes in India, Madagascar, the South Sea Islands, and South Africa, for the training of a native ministry in connection with our churches in those lands.

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

		Professors and Lecturers. Student	S.
Andover, Mass	Established	180814	
Bangor, Maine	6 6	1817 5 36	
Yale, New Haven, Conn		182267	
Hartford, Conn	6.6	1834 8 38	
Oberlin, Ohio	6.6	183553	
Chicago, Ill	4.6	18586	
Pacific, Oakland, Cal		18696	

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

THE AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This Society holds its Seventieth Annual Meeting at Syracuse, N. Y., October, 1879. From its last Report we learn that it had 16 Missions, with 79 stations and 529 out-stations; 144 ordained Missionaries, 6 Medical Missionaries, 5 male assistant Missionaries and 216 female Missionaries; or a total of 371 sent out by the Society. It had also 1178 native pastors, preachers, teachers and helpers, making a total of 1,549. 248 Churches had been organized, with a membership of 13,737. The income for the year 1878-79 was \$486,772. Our Canadian Foreign Missionaries, now in Constantinople, Turkey, (the Rev. C. H. Brooks and wife), were sent out under the auspices of this Board.

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THE AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Held its Anniversary in the Bible House, New York, May 7th, 1879. It was organized May 10th, 1826. Like its kindred Society, the A. B. C. Foreign Missions, it is unsectarian in constitution, but is now the recognized Domestic Missionary Society of the Congregational Churches of the United States. Its income for the last year was \$299,847. Number of Ministers of the Gospel in the service of the Society, 946 in 34 States and Territories. The number of congregations and Missionary districts thus supplied with the preaching of the Gospel was 2,126. Its receipts for the fifty-two years just completed amount to an aggregate of over \$8,000,000. The report for the past year shows 78 churches organized; 47 have become self-sustaining; 61 new church edifices erected; Missionaries report 3,245 hopeful conversions, and 3,049 additions to the churches on profession of faith.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

This Association, formed September 3rd, 1846, finds its sphere of operations among the Freedmen of the Southern States, the Indians, and the Chinese of the Pacific Coast. Since Emancipation, it has devoted its main efforts to preparing the Freedmen for their duties as Christians in America, and as Missionaries in Africa. And as closely related to this, it seeks to benefit the caste-persecuted Chinese in America, and to cooperate, with the Government in its humane and Christian policy towards the Indians. It has also a mission in Africa. It has 8 chartered Universities; 18 graded or common schools. Missionaries, Teachers and Assistants in its service 280. Churches in the South, 64; among the Indians, 1; and in foreign fields, 1; church members in the South, 4,189; among the Indians, 19; and in foreign fields, 44; total number of Sunday School Scholars, 7,980; schools in the South, 37; among the Chinese 11; among the Indians, 6; in foreign fields, 3; total, 57; pupils in the South, 7,229; among the Chinese, 1,492; among the Indians, 245, and in foreign field, 177. There are 100,000 scholars in the South being taught by former pupils of the Association. Its income for last year was \$195,601.

THE AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION

Which held its Annual Meeting in Tremont Temple, Boston, May 28th, 1879, has for its leading object the promotion of the interests of the Churches of the Denomination, "by devising and recommending to the public plans of co-operating in building

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meeting houses and parsonages," towards which it renders aid by gift, or grant, or by loan, with or without security. It also provides, or assists in providing, parochial or pastoral libraries, and collects, preserves and publishes "authentic information concerning the history, condition and continued progress of the Congregational Churches in all parts of the country, with their affiliated institutions," &c.

It began its work in 1853, since which time it has received and expended on its various schemes \$875,221. It has aided during that period in the erection of 1,036 houses of worship, in 36 States and Territories. Its receipts for last year were \$23,509.

CONGREGATIONAL PUBLISHING SOCIETY.

This Society, located in Boston, Mass., prints, publishes and circulates books, tracts and periodicals adapted to explain and advance the distinctive doctrines and precepts of the Gospel, to illustrate a genuine Christian experience, to help forward enterprises of Christian activity, and support the Congregational faith and polity, as professed and defended by the Puritans of New England, and by the Orthodox Congregational Churches of the United States. Its income, from sales and contributions, reported 1876-7, was \$71,193. We have not been able to procure report for 1878-9.

THE AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

The object of this Association, which has secured the erection, in Boston, of a Congregational House, for the meetings of the body, the accommodation of its library, and for the furtherance of its general purposes, is, "to found and perpetuate a library of books, pamphlets and manuscripts, and a collection of portraits and relics of the past; and to do whatever else—within the limits of its charter—shall serve to illustrate Congregational history and promote the general interests of the Congregational Churches." The Congregational House has already a library of over 26,000 volumes and 100,000 pamphlets. Income for 1878-79, \$56,383. Rev. I. P. Langworthy, D.D., Secretary.

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STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES.

CANADA.

Churches, 123; Membership, 8,059; Ministers, 90.

(See Tables appended to the Minutes of the Congregational Unions of Ontario and Quebec, and Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.)

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Churches, 4; Ministers, 3.

GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

(From the "Congregational Year Book," 1879.)

England and Wales.—Churches, 3209; Ministers, 2473; Evangelists, 476. Scotland.—Churches, 110; Ministers, 122.

Evangelical Union—Churches, 88; Ministers, 76.

IRELAND.—Churches, 28; Ministers, 25.

CHANNEL ISLANDS.—Churches, 17; Ministers, 6.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN.

Australia.—Churches, 116; Ministers, 142. New Zealand.—Churches, 20; Ministers, 15. South Africa.—Churches, 23; Ministers, 25. Jamaica.—Churches, 14; Ministers,

British Guiana.—Churches, 12; Ministers, 9.

India.—Churches, 6; Ministers, 4. China.—Churches, 2; Ministers, 2.

In Mission Fields.—Churches, about 300: Ministers, 139; Native Ministers, 353.

UNITED STATES.

(From the American "Congregational Year Book," for 1879."

1. Churches.—3,620; Ministers, 3,496; Foreign Missionaries, 118. Membership, 125,102 males, and 234,531 females; total, 359,633. The additions during the previous year had been, by profession, 20,498; by letter, 11,237; total, 31,735; and the removals, 16,895. The Sabbath Schools contained 435,741 scholars.

Two thousand seven hundred and sixty Churches report benevolent contributions to the amount of \$951,890, and 1,696 churches report Home expen-

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GRAND TOTAL

in countries above reported; Churches, 7565; Ministers, 6,869; Membership, about 750,000.

BRITISH AND COLONIAL CONGREGATIONAL UNIONS.

Congregational Union of England and Wales.—Chairman, 1879, Rev. W. Cuthbertson, B. A.; Secretary, Rev. Alexander Hannay, D. D., Congregational Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street, London E. C.

THE LONDON CONGREGATIONAL UNION has a membership of 258, besides whom there are 113 ministers "residing in and around the cities of London and Westminster," not members of the Board, or a total of 371. There are 243 chapels in the London District.

THE UNION OF WELCH INDEPENDENTS. Formed 1872.—Secretaries, Revds. J. Miles, D. Oliver, and D. Lewis Llanelly.

Congregational Union of Scotland.—Treasurer, James Mack, Esq., Hanover Street, Edinburgh; Secretary, Rev. James Ross, Montrose. Annual Meeting in April.

THE EVANGELICAL UNION IN SCOTLAND.—President, Rev. Prof. Hunter, Leith; Secretary, Rev. A. M. Wilson, Bathgate, Linlithgowshire.

Congregational Union of Ireland.—Chairman, Rev. David Robb, Belfast; Secretaries, Rev. R. Sewell, Londonderry, and Rev. A. M. Morrison, Belfast. Annual Meeting in September.

County Unions and Associations.—England, 40, Wales, 15; Scotland, Ireland, 1; the Colonies, 10; Madagascar, 1; Total 68.

COLONIAL CONGREGATIONAL UNIONS.

The Congregational Churches and Ministers in the several Colonies are associated in Unions as follows:

Congregational Union and Mission of Victoria.—Chairman, Rev. Thomas Jones, Melbourne; Secretary, Rev. J. J. Halley, Williamstown.

Congregational Union of New South Wales.—Chairman, Rev. J. Jefferis, L.B.; Secretaries, Rev. G. G. Howden, and Randolph Nott, Esq.

Congregational Union of Queensland.—-Chairman, S. Fraser, Esq., M.L. A.*; Secretary, Rev. E. Griffith, Brisbane. Annual Meeting in October.

Congregational Union and Home Mission of South Australia.—Chairman, Rev. John McEwin; Secretary, Rev. F. W. Cox. Meets in April and October.

Congregational Union of Western Australia.—Chairman, Rev. J. Johnston; Treasurer, Mr. E. Birch.

Congregational Union and Mission of Tasmania.—Chairman, Re S. Bird; Secretary, Rev. J. Wilkes Simmons.

Auckland Congregational Union and Home Mission, New Zealand.—Secretary, W. H. Lyon.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA.

Congregational Union of South Africa.—Chairman, Rev. E. Solomon Secretaries, Rev. J. C. Mackintosh and N. C. Goezar.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF MADAGASCAR.

Congregational Union of Jamaica.—Chairman, Rev. T. H. Clark, Porus; Secretary, Rev. B. C. Butland, Four Paths.

THE UNITED STATES.

ASSOCIATIONS AND CONFERENCES.

(From the American "Congregational Year Book, 1879.)

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF THE UNITED STATES.—Organized 1871, meets every third Year.—Rev. A. H. Quint, D.D., Boston, Mass., Secretary. Next meeting, October, 1880.

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CONGREGATIONAL UNIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS.

ALABAMA, THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF; Rev. G. E. Hill, Marion, Moderator; Rev. E. P. Lord, Talladega, Secretary.

California General Association; meets October 8th, 1879.—Rev. J. H. Warren, D.D., San Francisco, Registrar.

Colorado Conference; meets in May.—Rev. A. J. Chittenden, Boulder, Secretary.

CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSOCIATION; meets in June.—Rev. W. H. Moore, Hartford, Registrar.

Connecticut General Conference; meets at Waterbury, November 11th, 1879.—Rev. W. H. Moore, Hartford, Registrar.

DAKOTA CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION; n. eets at Yankton, October 16th.—Rev. Joseph Ward, Yankton, Clerk.

Georgia, Congregational Conference of, Rev. R. F. Markham, Savannah, Moderator; Rev. J. H. H. Sengstacke, Woodville, Secretary; meets Savannah, November 13th, 1879.

ILLINOIS GENERAL CONFERENCE; meets 4th Tuesday in May.---Rev. M. K. Whittlesey, D.D., Jacksonville, Corresponding Secretary.

Indiana General Association; meets in May.—Rev. N. A. Hyde, Indianapolis, Secretary.

IOWA GENERAL ASSOCIATION; meets 1st Wednesday after 4th Wednesday of May.—Rev. J. G. Merrill, Davenport, Registrar.

Kansas General Association; meets in June.—Rev. J. S. Slie, Topeka, Clerk.

KENTUCKY STATE ASSOCIATION; Rev. B. S. Hunting, Berea, Clerk.

Louisiana Southwestern Conference; Rev. W. S. Alexander, New Orleans, Moderator, L. J. McGaffey, New Iberia, and H. A. Ruffin, New Orleans, Scribes, meets in April.

Maine General Conference; meets in June.—Rev. E. H. Byington, Brunswick, Corresponding Secretary.

Massachusetts, General Association of the Congregational Churches of; meets 3rd Tuesday of June.—Rev. A. H. Quint, D.D., New Bedford, Secretary.

Michigan General Association; meets 3rd Tuesday in May, —Rev. P. R. Hurd, Detroit, Secretary.

MINNESOTA GENERAL CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE; meets at Minneapolis, 8th October 1879, Rev. L. W. Chaney, Mankato, Corresponding Secretary.

Missouri General Conference; meets October 16th at Sedalia.—Rev Theodore Clifton, St. Louis, Secretary.

Nebraska Congregational Association; meets at Lincoln, October 23rd, 1879.—Rev. H. Bross, Crete, Stated Clerk.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF; Rev. J. D. Ayer, Concord, Secretary, Session of 1879, Lebanon, September 16th.

NEW JERSEY GENERAL ASSOCIATION; meets at Orange Valley, October 14th, 1879.—Rev. F. A. Johnson, Chester, Secretary.

NEW YORK GENERAL Association; meets at Canandaigua, October 21st, 1879.—Rev. James Deane, Phœnix, Secretary.

Ohio Congregational Conference; meets in May.—Rev. J. G. Fraser, Madison, Registrar.

OREGON CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION; meets 3rd Thursday in June — Rev. Horace Lyman, Forest Grove, Registrar.

Pennsylvania; no General, but two local Associations.

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RHODE ISLAND CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE; meets 2nd Tuesday in June.
-- Rev. T. Laurie, D.D., Providence, Stated Secretary.

TENNESSEE, THE CENTRAL SOUTH CONFERENCE.—Rev. H. S. Bennett. Nashville, Secretary, Session of 1879, Athens, Ala., November 13th.

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Texas Congregational Association; meets in July.—Rev. B. C. Church, Goliad, Stated Clerk.

VERMONT GENERAL CONVENTION; meets 2nd Tuesday in June-Rev. C. H. Merrill, West Brattleboro', Registrar.

Wisconsin Presbyterian and Congregational Convention; meets in Ripon, September 30th, 1879.—Rev. E. J. Montague, Fort Atkinson, Stated Clerk.

SOCIETIES RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL.

AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS, ORGANIZED IN 1810.—Rev. N. G. Clark, D.D., and E. K. Alden, D.D., Secretaries; Langdon S. Ward, Treasurer—all at the Congregational House, Boston. Woman's Board of Missions, acting in connection with the American Board. Rooms 1 and 2, Congregational House, Boston. Corresponding Secretaries.—Mrs. G. B. Putnam and Miss Ellen Carruth. Home Secretary.—Miss Abbie B. Child. Treasurer.—Mrs. Benj. E. Bates. Woman's Board of the Interior, 75 Madison Street, Chicago, Ill. Secretary.—Miss Harriet S. Ashley. Treasurer Miss Mary E. Greene, Evanston, Ill., Woman's Board of the Pacific.—Secretary, Mrs. S. P. Blakeslee, Oakland, Cal.

AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION.—Rev. W. B. Brown, D.D., 69 Bible House, New York, Secretary.

AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Rev. Drs. D. B. Coe, and H. M. Storrs, Bible House, New York, Secretaries.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—Rev. M. E. Strieby, D.D., 56 Reade Street, New York, Secretary.

Congregational Publishing Society.—Rev. J. O. Means, D.D., Secretary. Congregational House, Boston.

AMERICAN COLLEGE AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.—Rev. I. N. Tarbox, 10 Congregational House, Boston, Secretary.

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ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

Held in Kingston, Ont., June 4th to June 9th, 1879, with Statistical Tables.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1879-80.

CHAIRMAN.—The Revd. J. F. Stevenson, L.L.B., Montreal.

Secretary--Treasurer.—The Revd. John Wood, Ottawa.

Statistical Secretary.—The Revd. W. H. Warriner, B.A., Yorkville, Ont.

MINUTE SECRETARIES.—The Revds. J. I. Hindley, A.M., A. F. McGregor, B.A.

COMMITTEE:

Revds. Dr. Wilkes, Dr. Cornish, J. L. Forster, S. N. Jackson, M.D., K. Black, A. Duff, D.D., J. G. Sanderson, W. McIntosh, W. W. Smith, E. C. W. McColl, B.A., and Messrs. G. Robertson, Thos. Robertson, G. Hague, C. Cushing, P. W. Wood, Theo. Lyman, H. W. Walker, and Chas. Robinson.

PLACE AND TIME OF MEETING:

Montreal, in Emmanuel Church, June 9th, 1880.

PREACHERS:

Annual Sermon, Rev. H. D. Powis; Alternate, Rev. J. G. Sanderson: Sabbath Morning, Rev. R. W. Wallace, B.A., B.D.; Alternate, Rev. E. Ireland.

PAPERS TO BE READ:

"Church entertainments,—their use and abuse." By the Rev. Dr. Cornish.

"In what way can our Union meetings be made a more vital or effective means of intellectual and spiritual quickening?" By the Rev. W. Manchee.

"The present aspect of Sabbath School work, and its demands." By Rev. J. B. Silcox.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Congregational Anion of Ontario & Quebec.

I. That the name of this Association be "The Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec."

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

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

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

V. To promote the accomplishment of these objects, and the general interests of the Union, an annual meeting of its members shall be held, each of the associated Churches being represented by two lay delegates; the 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 by 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, shall 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 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 B. N. A., and having been ordained to the ministry, may be received at once on these grounds. Other ministers shall be

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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 retiring Chairman, or, failing him, the pastor in the place of meeting, by the election of Minute Secretaries and Reporters, the calling of the Roll, and the appointment of Standing Committees on Business, Membership, Nominations and Finance, on nomination by the Committee of the Union.
- 4. On Thursday morning, after the devotional exercises, the retiring Chairman's address shall be delivered, and the new Chairman shall be elected, after nomination by the Committee of the Union, or by any member of the Union.
- 5. After the election of a new Chairman, the Committee of the Union shall present their annual report.
- 6. The meetings shall be daily opened and closed with prayer; the morning devotional exercises to extend to an hour.
- 7. No motion shall be discussed unless seconded; no member shall speak twice to the same motion without permission from the Chair; and every motion shall be presented in writing by the mover, if required by the Chair.
- 8. The roll shall be called, and the minutes of the preceding day read at the opening of each day's session, and the minutes of the last day at the close of the session.
- 9. The Church in whose locality the annual meeting shall be held, shall be requested to celebrate the Lord's Supper in connection with such meeting.
- 10. On the Monday evening during the sittings of the Union, a public meeting of the Union shall be held.
- 11. Applications 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 meetings, and for publication, if so ordered.
- 12. A collection for the funds of the Union shall be made annually in each Church, on or near the Lord's day prior to the meeting. From this source, in addition to the other expenses of the Union, the travelling fares, by the cheapest route, of the ministerial members of the Union, and of one delegate from each Church contributing for each year, shall be paid in full, if possible, and of both delegates as soon as the funds suffice; on the understanding that such payment shall not be made until after the final adjournment, except with the leave of the Union.
- 13. The delegates from the Union to corresponding bodies, who may fail to fulfil their 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.

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RESOLUTIONS AND DECLARATION OF FAITH.

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 striking and practical illustration of the unity of opinion on the cardinal doctrines of the Christian Faith, which exists so largely in the body.

Forasmuch as our denominational attitude toward modern religious thought may, from the freedom of our ecclesiastical policy, 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 distinctive opinions without compromising the opinions of his brethren. Nevertheless we rejoice in the substantial doctrinal harmony which exists amongst us.

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.

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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; that 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, and 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,

Passed at the Annual Meeting, Montreal, June, 1876.

- 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 of 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.

LIST OF CHURCHES CONNECTED WITH THE UNION.

Albion. Ont. Alton, Ont. Athol. Ont. Belleville, Ont. Bowmanville, Ont. Brantford, Ont. Brantford, Emman'l, Ont. Brigham, Que. Brockville, Ont. Burford, Ont. Caledon South, Ont. Cobourg, Ont. Coldsprings, Ont. Cowansville, Que. Danville, Que, Douglas, Ont. Durham, Que. Eaton, Que. Elora, Ont. Embro, Ont. Erin North, Ont. Fergus, Ont. Forest, Ont. Franklin, Que. Garafraxa 1st, Ont. Garafraxa North, Ont. Georgetown, Ont. Granby, Que.

Guelph, Ont. Guelph, Zion, Ont. Hamilton, Ont. Hawkesbury, Ont. Howick, Ont. Inverness, Que. Kelvin, Ont. Kincardine, Ont. Kingston, 1st, Ont. Kingston, Bethel, Ont. Lanark, Ont. Listowel, Ont. London, Ont. Manilla, Ont. Markham, Ont. Martintown, Ont. Melbourne, Que. Middleville & Rosetta, O. Montreal, Zion, Que. Montreal, Eastern, Que. Montreal, Emmanuel, Q. Montreal, Calvary, Que. New Durham, Ont. Newmarket, Ont. Oro 1st, Ont. Ottawa, Ont. Owen Sound, Ont.

Paris, Ont. Pine Grove, Ont. Quebec, Que. Rock Island, Que. Rugby, Ont. Sarnia, Ont. Scotland, Ont. Sherbrooke, Que. Southwold, Ont. Speedside, Ont. St. Andrews, Que. St. Catharines, Ont. Stouffville, Ont. Stratford, Ont. Thistletown, Ont. Tilbury, Ont. Toronto, Zion, Ont. Toronto, Northern, Ont. Toronto, Western, Ont. Turnbury, Ont. Vankleek Hill, Ont. Vespra, Ont. Warwick, Ont. Watford, Ont. Whitby, Ont. Wiarton, Ont. Yorkville, Ont.

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ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

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MINUTES OF THE 26TH ANNUAL MEETING

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CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

HELD IN KINGSTON, ONT., JUNE 4TH TO 9TH, 1879.

The Union met in the First Congregational Church, Kingston, Ont., June 4th, 1879, at 7.30 p.m.

The Rev. J. B. Silcox led the devotional exercises, and Rev. W. H. Allworth, of Paris, preached from John xvi. 12, 13 vs., after which the Secretary of the Union, on behalf of the Committee, recommended, and it was

Resolved, That the hours of meeting be from 8:30 to 12 a.m.; and from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. On the same recommendation the following standing committees were appointed:

On Business.—Rev. J. G. Sanderson, Convener; Revds. R. Brown, R. W. Wallace and C. Duff, and Messrs. G. Hague, W. C. Ashdown, J. McIntyre and Dr. Eckardt.

Membership.—Rev. D. Macallum, Convener; Revds. Dr. Cornish, W. H. Allworth, H. D. Powis; and Messrs. T. Parker, Jos. Barber, G. S. Climie, and W. A Wallis.

Nominations.—Rev. J. Wood, Convener; Revds. J. Brown, J. B. Silcox, E. C. W. McColl; and Messrs. Eagleson, Hodge, R. Robertson, and W. C. Young.

Finance.—Mr. S. Hodgskin, Convener; Messrs. J. J. Wilson, J. Bale, D. Finlayson, and J. McClellan.

The Rev. J. I. Hindley was appointed Minute Secretary, and the Rev. A. F. McGregor, Assistant.

The Union then adjourned.

THURSDAY, June 5th, 8.30 A.M.

An hour was spent in prayer and conference, the Rev. J. B. Silcox presiding. The Roll was then called, when, with some additions subsequently made to it, the following members answered to their names:

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS PRESENT.

Allworth, W. H., Paris, Ont. Brown, John, Lanark, Ont. Brown, Robert, Middleville, Ont. Colwell, H. J., Watford, Ont. Cornish, Geo., LL.D., Montreal, Que. Day, B. W., Cowansville, Que. Duff, Chas., M.A., Speedside, Ont. Ewing, W., B.A., Winnipeg, Man. Fenwick, K. M., Montreal, Que. Forster, J. L., Montreal, Que. Griffith, Jos., Hamilton. Hay, Robert, Forest, Ont. Hindley, J. I., M.A., Edgar, Ont. Howell, James, Guelph, Ont. Ireland, E. Pine Grove, Ont. Jackson, S. N., M.D., Kingston, Ont. Macallum, D., Athol, Ont. McColl, E. C. W., Quebec. Mackay, Robert, Kingston, Ont. Malcoim, J. F., Woodstock, Ont. Manchee, Wm., Guelph, Ont.

McFayden, Allan, L., B. A. Montreal McGregor, Arch. F., B. A., Listowel, Ont. McKillican, John, Danville, Que. McIntosh, Wm., Melbourne, Que. Peacock, W. M., Kingston, Ont. Pedley, H., B. A., Cobourg, Ont. Powis, H. D., Toronto, Ont. Purkis G. Waterville, Que. Salmon, John, B.A., Embro, Ont. Sanderson, J. G., Danville, Que. Silcox, E. D., Stouffville, Ont. Silcox, J. B. Toronto, Ont. Smith, W. W., Eaton, Que. Stevenson, J. F., LL.B., Montreal, Q. Unsworth, Joseph, Georgetown, Ont. Wallace, R. W., B.A., London, Ont. Warriner, W. H., B.A., Yorkville, Ont. Wilkes, H., D.D., LL.D., Montreal. Wood, John, Ottawa, Ont.

DELEGATES PRESENT.

Athol, Mr. J. McDougall. Cold Springs, Mr. Robert Eagleson. Eaton, Mr. A. Hodge. Guelph, Mr. S. Hodgskin. Hamilton, Mr. J. Bale, Kingston, 1st., Mr. Geo. Robertson. Mr. J. H. McFarlane. Lanark, Mrs. J. Brown. Listowel, Mr. G. T. Climie. Martintown, Mr. P. Christie. Manilla, Mr. J. McIntyre. Montreal, (Emmanuel,) Mr. G. Hague. Yorkville, Mr. T. Parker. do. (Calvary,) Mr. McLachlan.

Newmarket, Mr. T. Smith. Ottawa, Mr. F. Moody. Owen Sound, Mr. J. B. Saer. Paris, Mr. D. Finlayson. Pine Grove, Mr. W. A. Wallis. Quebec, Mr. W. C. Young. St. Catharines, Mr. R. Robertson. Mr. G. Bishopric. do. Toronto, (Zion,) Mr. W. C. Ashdown. do. (Northern,) Mr. H. J. Clark. Unionville, Dr. Eckardt.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

The following persons were also invited by the Union to sit with them as Honorary Members :-

Rev. Jas. Roy, M.A., Montreal. Rev. W. J. Cuthbertson, Frome. Rev. D. McKinnon, Manilla.

Rev. F. Wrigley, and The Students of the Congregational College.

The retiring Chairman, Rev. R. K. Black, not being present to deliver the customary address, Professor Fenwick then, on behalf of the Union Committee, nominated the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B., of Montreal, as Chairman for the ensuing year. The nomination was confirmed unanimously, and Mr. Stevenson, on being conducted to the chair, returned thanks for the honour done him:

Letters were read by the Secretary of the Union from the Rev. J. Baldwin Brown, and the Rev. Alexander Hannay, Chairman and Secretary of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, in reply to the Resolutions adopted at the last annual meeting of this Union, in regard to the Leicester Conference, which, on motion, were ordered to be printed with the minutes.

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LETTER FROM REV. J. BALDWIN BROWN.

" Brixton Hill, July 31st.

MY DEAR SIR,-

I am much obliged by the resolutions which you have been good enough to forward to me, though as I disapproved very strongly of the policy of passing resolutions on the subject, though, I hope, as deeply attached as any of my brethren to Evangelical truth, I am not sure that I ought to appropriate the kind expressions which they convey.

Believe me to remain,
Yours very faithfully,
J. BALDWIN BROWN.

LETTER FROM REV. ALEX. HANNAY.

Congregational Union of England and Wales.

Memorial Hall and Congregational Library, Farringdon St
London, E.C., 24th July, 1878.

DEAR MR. FENWICK,—

I have forwarded your letter to Mr. Brown. Official communications usually come to me, as our Chairman is a temporary officer, and has no function in management. I thought it best, however, that Mr. Brown should receive it, and I accordingly forwarded it to him.

The occurrence of the Leicester Conference was, in some respects, a Godsend to those of us who were waiting for an opportunity for an effective vindication of the good name of English Congregationalism from the imputations of heresy so freely cast upon it. We have a margin of unsettled men, but the great mass of our church members and our ministers are loyal to the truth.

We had a splendid debate and a great triumph. We had to contend still more with timid men who were true, than with heretics, but the discussion has done us a great deal of good.

Ever most truly yours,
ALEXANDER HANNAY.

The Secretary also presented the Report of the Union Committee, which was as follows;—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg to report that a copy of the resolutions of last annual meeting, having reference to the English Union and the Leicester Conference, was duly sent to the Rev. J. Baldwin Brown, Chairman of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, through its Secretary, the Rev. Alex. Hannay, Acknowledgments from both gentlemen have been received and will be read.

It is our painful duty once more to remind you of the uncertainty of those bonds which unite us here in visible association. As in the report of last year, so in this, we have to record the death of three esteemed brethren—Joseph Wheeler, Hiram Denny and John Durrant—fathers long connected with the Union, respected and beloved, have entered on their higher life in the presence of our Lord.

We have only one suggestion to offer: We think that it would be an improvement should the annual meeting be held on the second Wednesday after the 1st Sabbath in June, instead of the first Wednesday, and propose that the second standing rule be so amended.

On motion of Dr. Cornish, the Report was received, and adopted, with the exception of the clause proposing to change the date of the meetin of the Union, which was struck out.

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APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

The Rev. A. F. McGregor, B. A., of Listowel, the Rev. Francis Wrigley, of South Caledon, the Rev. D. M. McKinnon, of Manilla, the Rev. Allan L. McFadyen, B.A., of Montreal, the Rev. J. T. Breeze, and the Rev. W. Ewing, B.A., and Bethel Church, Kingston, applied for admission into the Union. These applications were severally, on motion, referred to the Membership Committee.

APPLICATIONS FOR LETTERS OF DISMISSION.

The Rev. Albert Vancamp, and the Rev. Edwin Rose, asked for letters of dismission from the Union, the latter to the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The Secretary also reported that the Revds. J. A. R. Dickson and T. M. Reikie had asked for certificates of membership with a view of uniting with the Canada Presbyterian Church. These applications were also referred to the Membership Committee.

A motion by the Rev. W. W. Smith, seconded by the Rev. W. H. Allworth, "That we take into consideration Standing Rules Nos. 4 and 5, and report whether it be not expedient to elect the Chairman, as in England, at the previous meeting of the Union," was referred to the Union Committee.

BOND STREET CHURCH, TORONTO.

"The Committee appointed last year to confer with the Bond Street Church, Toronto, regarding their resignation of connection with the Congregational Union, beg to report that they early informed the Church of their appointment, and of their desire for a conference; that in due time they received an official communication from the Church, respectfully declining such conference; and that in view of that fact, the Committee recommend that Bond Street Church, Toronto, be dropped from the list of Churches in connection with the Union." The report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Wilkes read, by appointment of the Union, a paper on "The Essential Elements of Unity in Denominational Fellowship and Action." The paper was followed by a lengthy and earnest discussion which, on the arrival of the noon hour, was adjourned.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The membership Committee reported, recommending

- (1.) That the names of the Revds. J. A. R. Dickson and T. M. Reikie be dropped from the Roll.
- (2.) That certificates of membership be granted to the Revds. A. Van Camp and E. Rose, their membership in this Union ceasing.
- (3.) That the Revds. A. F. McGregor, B.A., and W. Ewing, B.A., be received as members of this Union.
 - (4.) That Bethel Church, Kingston, be received into this Union.
- (5.) That the students of our College present be invited to sit with us as honorary members.

These items were taken up seriatim, and adopted. After which the Union adjourned.

THURSDAY EVENING.

A Welcome Meeting was held, commencing with a social tea in the School Room at 6 o'clock, and followed at 8 o'clock by a platform meeting, in the auditorium of the Church. The Pastor, Dr. Jackson, presided, and introduced successively to the audience the following gentlemen, who delivered addresses:—Col. Twitchel, U.S. Consul at Kingston; Rev. Dr. Grant, Principal of Queen's College; Rev. H. D. Powis, Toronto; and the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B., of Montreal, Chairman of the Union. The addresses were interspersed with music by the choir. The Rev. Mr. Dobbs, of the Episcopal Church, Portsmouth, closed the service with the benediction.

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FRIDAY, June 6th, 8.30 A.M.

The Rev. J. Salmon presided at the devotional service. At 9:30 the Union resumed, the Roll was completed, and the minutes of the previous day's sessions were read, amended and passed.

Professor Fenwick tendered his resignation of the Secretary-Treasurership of the Union. Emmanuel Church, Montreal, through Rev. Dr. Cornish, invited the Union to meet with them in 1880. Both these communications were referred to the Nominations Committee.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

The Rev. W. H. Warriner, Statistical Secretary, presented his Report and Summary of Statistics, which will be found in the Appendix. On motion of Prof. Fenwick, the Report was adopted, and the thanks of the Union were presented to Mr. Warriner for his work.

The Membership Committee were instructed to revise the printed list of Churches on the Roll of the Union, and report on the following names:—Colpoy's Bay, Meaford, Molesworth, New Durham, Simcoe, Stanstead South, Waterloo, Wroxeter, and any others they may think necessary. They were further instructed to report upon the Roll of Ministerial members.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee reported, recommending

- (1.) That the Rev. A. L. McFadyen, B.A., be admitted to the Union.
- (2.) That the application of the Rev. J. T. Breeze be not entertained. Their report was adopted.

The Business Committee reported a programme for the day, which was agreed to. Also, recommending the hearing of the Rev. A. B. Demill, for fifteen minutes, on behalf of the Oshawa Young Ladies' College, which, on motion, was not agreed to, on the ground that the Union is not an advertising medium.

At 11 o'clock the Union adjourned in favour of the Congregational College.

AFTERNOON.

At the close of the meetings of the Congregational Provident Fund and Indian Missionary Society, the Union held a short session, at which the Nominations Committee reported,—

- (1.) The arrangements for the supply of the several city pulpits for which supply had been requested.
- (2) Recommending that the invitation of Emmanuel Church, Montreal, to meet with them in 1880, be accepted.
- (3) That the Rev. H. D. Powis preach the Annual Sermon, Rev. J. G. Sanderson, alternate.
- (4.) That the Rev. R. W. Wallace preach on Sabbath evening; Rev. E. Ireland, alternate.
- (5) That the Rev. Messrs. McColl, Manchee and Pedley address the Snnday School meeting next Lord's Day.
- (6) And that Rev. Messrs. Colwell, R. Brown, and B. W. Day, conduct the morning prayer-meeting on Saturday, Sunday and Monday respectively. The report was adopted, and the Union adjourned till 8:30 a.m. on Saturday.

SATURDAY, June 7th, 8:30 A.M.

The usual hour was spent in prayer and conference, the Rev H. J. Colwell presiding. After routine, the Business Committee reported a docket of business for the day, which was adopted.

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The discussion on Dr. Wilkes' paper was then resumed, at the close of which the cordial thanks of the Union were tendered to the writer for the paper read by him.

The Finance Committee presented an interim report.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.

The Membership Committee again reported, recommending, -

(1.) That the applications of the Rev. Messrs. D. McKinnon, W. J. Cuthbertson, and F. Wrigley be received, and, according to Standing Rule No. 1, lie over till next year; and further, that they be invited to sit with the Union as honorary members.

(2.) That the following names of Churches be dropped from our list, viz.: Brome, Meaford, Molesworth, Simcoe, Waterloo, Wroxeter.

(3.) That the names of the following brethren, having either left the Dominion, or entered into secular life, be dropped from the Roll:—Rev. R. Bulman, G. T. Colwell, J. Fraser, J. Hay, A. Shand, S. Snider, C.P. Watson.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. W. Ewing presented the claims of the Labrador Mission.

The Union then adjourned to allow the College and the C. C. Missionary Society to finish their business.

Resuming its session at 11.30, A.M., the Nomination Committee reported the following as the Committee of the Union for the year 1879-80:— The Chairman (already elected), Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B., the Revs. Dr. Wilkes, Dr. Cornish, J. L. Forster, S. N. Jackson, M.D., R. K. Black, A. Duff, D.D., J. G. Sanderson, W. McIntosh, W. W. Smith, E. C. W. McColl B.A., Messrs. G. Robertson, Thos. Robertson, G. Hague, C. Cushing, P. W. Wood, T. Lyman, H. W. Walker and Chas. Robinson, with Rev. Prof. Fenwick, Secretary-Treasurer, and Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.A., Statistical Secretary.

Professor Fenwick declining to serve as Secretary-Treasurer, the name of the Rev. J. Wood was, on motion, substituted for that of Mr Fenwick, and the nomination was adopted.

The same Committee also proposed as the subjects of papers for 1880 :-

- (1.) "Church Entertainments, their use and abuse," by Prof. Cornish.
- (2.) "The present aspect of Sabbath School work, and its demands," by Rev. J. B. Silcox.
- (3.) "In what way can our Union meetings be made a more vital or effective means of intellectual and spiritual quickening?" by Rev W. Manchee.

These recommendations were severally adopted, and the Union adjourned till Monday.

THE LORD'S DAY, June 8th.

The day opened with a prayer-meeting, at 10 o'clock, led by the Rev. R. Brown. After which, at the First Congregational Church, the Rev. J G Sanderson, of Danville, preached from Matthew vii. 20.

A Sunday-School service was held at 2.30 p.m., at which the Rev. H. Pedley, B.A., of Cobourg, R. W. Wallace, M.A., B.D., of London, and the Rev. E. C. W McColl, M.A., of Quebec, delivered addresses. The singing by the children was led by Mr. G. S. Fenwick.

In the evening the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B., preached from John vi. 50.

A Union Communion Service closed the day. The Rev. Mr. Jackson presided, and had associated with him the Rev. Prof. Fenwick and the Rev. H. D. Powis. The Rev. Dr. Wilkes closed with prayer.

Most of the Protestant pulpits of the city were occupied by members of the Union.

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An Open-air Service was also held in the Park at 4.15 p.m.

Monday, June 9th, 10.30 A.M.

The Rev. B. W. Day presided at the morning devotional service.

After routine, the Business Committee reported a docket of business, in accordance with which a fraternal letter was read from the Rev. W. F. Clarke, of Guelph.

The Finance Committee also reported that the Collections being found insufficient to pay the expenses of Ministers and Delegates in full, \$3.20 must be deducted from the claim of each; and also, that

"The Committee regret to observe that the arrangement for paying travelling expenses, and so securing as full a representation as possible at the annual meeting, is much thwarted by the failure of a majority of the Churches to make a collection for the Union. They also perceive a tendency to entirely overlook the fact that other claims than those for travelling have to be met; and in some cases a disposition to hold the collection which has been gathered for the Union until it is ascertained that the travelling expenses will be fully paid. They do not suggest any alteration of rules on the subject, because they are already sufficient, if observed, but they think more attention to them should be sought from the Churches, and they would emphatically maintain that a messenger undertaking to forward the contribution of a Church is not at liberty to retain it in order to secure to himself payment of his travelling expenses.

"All of which is respectfully submitted.

"S. HODGSKIN, "Chairman."

The claims of the Canadian Independent were then presented by the Rev. Messrs. C. Duff and J. B. Silcox, on behalf of the Congregational Publishing Company, upon which a lengthy discussion ensued.

The Rev. J. Unsworth reported the result of the appeal made by direction of the Union, on behalf of the late Rev. Hiram Denny. 24 churches, and some individuals, had contributed \$206, of which about \$60 still remained in hand for the benefit of his widow.

The Business Committee reported the following resolution:-

"That we rejoice in having with us at this annual gathering the Rev. Dr. Wilkes, and especially do we appreciate his coming at this time when it involves so much toil and effort. We trust that he may be spared to be with us in future meetings, and that the remainder of his days on earth may be abundantly crowned with the richest of God's blessings."

This resolution was unanimously passed by a rising vote. Dr. Wilkes returned his grateful acknowledgments to the brethren for their kind wishes.

The Rev. Mr. Powis then led in prayer.

It was also Resolved, on recommendation of the same Committee, That this Union reaffirms its deep interest in the Temperance movement, and commends it to the thoughts and co-operation of all the churches of our order throughout the Dominion. That it looks with profound pleasure on the passing by several counties of the comparatively new and greatly improved Act known as the Scott Act, and hopes that by a wise and continuous enforcement of its provisions these counties may witness a diminution of the ills which attend the free indulgence in alcoholic stimulants, and further prays that public sentiment may yet reach a loftier and more Christian plane, so that the blessings of abstinence may rest in fulness upon all the many provinces of our land.

The thanks of the Union were voted to the Railway and Steamboat Companies for reduced rates.

It was further Resolved, That the Chairman and Secretary of the Union be instructed to prepare and present, in its name, an Address to his Excellency the Marquis of Lorne and Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise.

The Union then adjourned.

8 o'clock, P.M.

A public platform meeting was held in the evening, the Rev. Dr. Jackson presiding. Rev. E. Ireland conducted the devotional exercises.

The Rev. J. F. Stevenson delivered an address on "The relation of Congregationalism to the free thought of the age."

The Rev. Joseph Griffith, of Hamilton, spoke on "Congregationalism as a Spiritual Force."

And the Rev, R. W. Wallace, of London, said "Farewell" in the name of all the brethren.

On motion of the Rev. J. G Sanderson, seconded by Rev. W. H. Allworth, a vote of thanks was tendered to the pastor and congregation of the Church, and to the members of other Churches, who had so generously entertained them during the meeting of the Union. Acknowledgment was also made of the service rendered by the choir of the Church.

After singing, and the benediction, the Union dispersed to meet in Emmanuel Church, Montreal, in June, 1880.

J. I. HINDLEY,

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MINUTES OF THE 32nd ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK,

HELD IN KESWICK RIDGE, N. B., JULY 12TH-16TH, 1879.
WITH STATISTICAL TABLES.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1879--80.

CHAIRMAN-The Rev. Joseph Barker, Sheffield, NB.

Secretary—The Rev. Duncan McGregor, M. A., Liverpool, N. S.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY—The Rev. James Shipperley, Chebogue, N.S.

MINUTE SECRETARIES-Messrs. C. H. Dearborn and A. D. Gray.

MISSIONARY SECRETARY-The Rev. Alexander McGregor, Yarmouth, N.S.

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

COMMITTEE—Rev. S. Sykes, Mr. Freeman Dennis, Mr. C. H. Dearborn, Hon. F. Tupper, Mr. W. Anderson and Mr. N. K. Clements.

Place and Time of Next Meeting-Liverpool, N.S., July, 1880.

PREACHER OF ANNUAL SERMON—Rev. A. McGregor, Primary; Rev. S. Sykes, Alternate.

Papers to be Prepared—"The Relation of Giving to Spiritual Growth"—Rev. James Shipperley.

"How far ought the appearance of our churches be made to correspond with our homes, in the light of Scripture?"—Rev. D. McGregor, M.A.

"The Sabbath—How to keep it."—Rev. J. W. Cox, B.A.

LIST OF MINISTERS ASSOCIATED, WITH THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Barker, E., Milton, N.S.
Barker, Joseph, Sheffield, N.B.
Cox, J. W., B.A., Lower Selmah, N.S.
Hawes, J, B., Maitland, N.S.
McGregor, Alex., Yarmouth, N.S.
McGregor, D., M. A., Liverpool, N.S.

Peacock, Wm., Margaree, N.S.
Rose, Edwin, Economy, N.S.
Shipperley, James, Chebogue, N.S.
Sykes, Simeon, Keswick Ridge, N. B.
Whitman, Jacob, Manchester, N.S.
Woodcock, C. B., M. A., St. John, N.B.

LIST OF ASSOCIATED CHURCHES.

Brooklyn and Beach Meadows, N.S.
Cardigan, N.B.
Chebogue, N.S.
Cornwallis, N.S.
Economy, N.S.
Halifax, N.S.
Keswick Ridge, N.B.
Liverpool, N.S.
Lower Selmah, N.S.
Maitland, N.S.

Margaree, N.S.
Milton, N.S.
Moose Brook, N.S.
Noel, N.S.
Ohio, N.S.
Pleasant River, N.S.
Sheffield, N.B.
St. John, N.B.
South Maitland, N.S.
Yarmouth, N.S.

Other Churches-Milltown, N.B.; Manchester, N.S.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

1. This Corporation shall be called "The Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick."

2. This Corporation shall consist of the persons named in the Acts of Incorporation by the Legislatures of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, in the year 1862; of Delegates from Congregational Churches that have been recognized and admitted to the fellowship of this Union, such Delegates not to exceed two in number from each church; and of ministers of the same church order, who shall be recognized and admitted as members at the Annual Meeting of the Union.

3. The Corporation shall have in connection with it an Honorary Membership, with the privilege of a share in its deliberations and business, but without the right to vote. And all officers of this Union, or members of "The Union Committee," or of any of the Committees of the Union, not being members of the Union, shall be considered Honorary Members; and the Union may elect such persons to Honorary Membership for the session as it may deem proper and advisable.

4. This Union is founded on the full recognition of the distinctive principle of Congregational churches, namely: the Scriptural right of every separate church to maintain perfect independence in its government and administration; and, therefore, this Union shall not assume legislative or administrative authority, or in any case become a Court of Appeal.

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5. The following are the objects contemplated in its formation.—1. To promote evangelical religion in connection with the Congregational Denomination, especially by such means as Missionary efforts, educating young men for the ministry, and aiding or sustaining weak churches in the body. 2. To cultivate brotherly affection and co-operation in everything relating to the interests of the associated churches. 3. To establish fraternal correspondence with similar bodies elsewhere. 4. To obtain accurate statistical information relative to the Congregational churches in these Provinces. 5. To hold consultation on questions of general interest connected with the cause of Christ.

6. To promote the accomplishment of these objects and the general interests of the Union, an Annual Meeting of its members shall be held at such time and place as may be appointed at each Annual Meeting, or, if necessary, by the Committee of the Union.

7. The Presiding Officer shall be a Chairman or President, chosen by the Union from its Delegates or personal members in the early part of each Annual Session, and shall also be the Chairman of the Union Committee.

8. The other officers shall be a Secretary, a Missionary Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other members as shall be elected to compose the remainder of the Union Committee,

9. The affairs of this Union, as now incorporated, shall be under the control and management of the Union Committee, consisting of the President, or Chairman of the Union, the Treasurer and Secretaries, and such other persons being members of Congregational churches in connection with this Union as shall be elected at the Annual Meeting. The Committee to be under the direction of the Union, to execute its instructions, prepare a docket of business for its Annual Meeting, and to act for and on behalf of the Union

in all matters requiring action between the times of the meetings of the Union, which action shall be subject to the approval of the Union when it meets for business.

- 10. The Secretary of the Union shall be the Secretary of the Union Committee, and shall have charge of the Books of Records, Constitution, By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the Union, and shall have charge of the general correspondence of the Union, except such correspondence as relates purely to matters of a Missionary character.
- 11. The Missionary Secretary shall have charge of the correspondence which is purely of a Missionary character.
- 12. The Union shall meet in July, of each year, for organization, the Chairman elected the previous year presiding, failing whom one of the officers or members of the Union Committee.
- 13. All applications for admission to personal membership, shall be made through the Secretary, who shall report them to the Union at its Annual Meeting, and be at once referred to the Membership Committee for full enquiry. Upon their report that the evidence of good standing is sufficient and satisfactory, the applicants shall be eligible for immediate admission by unanimous vote; failing to obtain which, they shall stand proposed by consent of the Union (with the privilege of Honorary Membership,) until the next Annual Meeting, at which, after a further report from the Membership Committee, they may be fully received by a vote of two-thirds of the Members of the Union in attendance.
- 14. A church may depute as its delegate to the Union Meeting, a member who may be in good standing in any other Congregational church.
- 15. The Union may appoint on its Committees members of churches in connection with the Union, who are not personal members or delegates.
- 16. Application shall be made by the Secretary, one month at least before the Annual Meeting, for statistics of the several churches in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and a brief narrative of the state of religion among them, that he may prepare a report for the Meeting of the Union.
- 17. The Secretary shall make an appeal annually to each church connected with the Union, to take up, some time in the month preceding the Annual Meeting, a collection in aid of its funds. From this source, in addition to the other expenses of the Union, the travelling fares of the ministerial members of the Union, and of one delegate from each church contributing for the year, shall be paid in full, if possible; the deficiency, if any, being divided by the number of members herein defined as entitled to participate, and the amount of such dividend being deducted from the sum otherwise to be paid to each such member, on the understanding that such ministers and delegates shall remain during the Sessional Meetings, except with leave from the Chair.
- 18. Delegates from the Union to corresponding bodies, who may fail to fulfil their appointments by personal attendance, shall address the bodies by letter, communicating in substance such information and sentiments as they would furnish if present at the Annual Meeting.
- 19. The following shall be the present plan of action for promoting mission work in the Provinces, viz:—
- (1.) That each church shall be requested to take up an annual collection and subscriptions.
- (2.) That the Union Committee shall be considered the Missionary Committee in charge of all Missionary funds and operations. All applications for aid from the Missionary Funds must be presented to the Committee through the Missionary Secretary, must in every case be accompanied with a guarantee, signed by at least three members of the church, and receive the sanction of the Committee prior to transmission to the General Committee of Canada.

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- (4.) Every Missionary of this Society shall be in full communion with a Congregational church.
- (5.) Pastors receiving aid must send regular reports of their fields of labor, every six months, to the Missionary Secretary.
- 20. The expenses of the Secretaries of the Union in attending its meetings shall be paid, except when provided for by Article 17.
- 21. The Treasurer shall submit his reports at the Annual Meeting of the Union, and the Secretaries of the Union shall be a Standing Committee to audit such reports.
- 22. In the event of any Secretary of the Union vacating his office during the year intervening between the Annual Meetings, the remaining officers are empowered to appoint temporary successors.
- 23. Alterations may be made in this Constitution by an Annual Meeting, provided that notice of the proposed alterations shall be given at a previous meeting, and that such alterations shall not be inconsistent with the Acts of Incorporation.

RULES.

- 1. At the appointed time for the assembling of the Union, the chair shall be taken by the Chairman, or in his absence by one of the officers of the Union, or a member of the Union Committee, or failing any of these by a member of the Union.
- 2. After preliminary devotional exercises the Union shall be called to order.
- 3. A Minute Secretary shall be appointed, who shall take the minutes during the Session, and assist the Secretary.
- 4. The Secretary shall form a Sessional Roll, containing the names of the personal members attending the session, and the names of delegates appointed to represent the churches, marking opposite the names of such delegates the words "in attendance" or otherwise. A list of Honorary Members shall also be taken.
- 5. A temporary Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Chairman as soon as the roll is called. This Committee shall, as soon as practicable, report the names of five persons to form a Business Committee, three for a Membership Committee, and three for a Financial Committee. The Nominating Committee will name the members of other Committees as soon as convenient.
- 6. The exercises may be intermingled with singing and prayer, until the Committees are named, and at any time while there is a lull in business, or otherwise.
- 7. The records of the previous Annual Session will be read, and, if correct, approved and signed.
- 8. The names reported for Committees shall be submitted to the Union by the Chairman for approval or otherwise.

9. The nominations and resolutions submitted by the Business and other Committees will not debar any member from proposing amendments or alterations.

10. An election shall be held for President or Chairman each year. Should there be more than one candidate named, the election shall be by ballot.

11. Reports may behanded in or resolutions offered.

12. Reports and resolutions shall be referred by the Chairman to the respective Committees for consideration before discussion.

13. The Business Committee shall examine the records of the previous session, to see if any business arises out of the minutes of the previous meeting.

14. All meetings shall be considered meetings of the Union, but the evening meetings shall, as far as practicable, be divested of a business character, and more particularly devoted to addresses.

15. The first evening session shall, if practicable, be devoted in part to the address of the retiring Chairman, and may be styled the Public Meeting of the Union.

16. The second meeting shall be devoted, if practicable, to a Missionary Meeting.

17. At each Annual Session a preacher shall be appointed for the next Annual Meeting.

18. The Annual Sermon will be delivered on Sunday morning.

19. Every resolution will be put in writing if required.

20. Every motion or resolution will require a seconder.

21. When a question is under discussion, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment, division of the question, the previous question, to lay on the table, or year and nays; and such motions, except those for amendment, shall not be debatable.

22. An amendment to an amendment can be made.

23. A motion for the amendment of a resolution or amendment shall be in order; and if carried, the resolution as amended shall then be voted on.

24. Before the Annual Session closes, the Secretaries, Treasurer, Union Committee, etc., shall be appointed for the ensuing year.

25. The minutes of each sitting shall be read at the commencement of the following: and the minutes of the last session at its close.

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

27. Unless otherwise provided for, the meetings shall be held each day, as follows:—From 9.30 to 12; 2 to 5; and from 7.30 to 9.30.

28. Alterations in these Rules may be proposed at any sitting, and changes and amendments made by a majority vote.

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ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS.

Keswick Ridge, N. B., July 12th to 16th, 1879. The Union met in the Congregational Church, Keswick Ridge, N. B., July 12th, 1879, at 10 o'clock a.m.

The Rev. D McGregor, M. A., led the devotional exercises, after which Rev. James Shipperley took the chair. C. H. Dearborn Esq., of St. John, was appointed Minute Secretary, and Mr. A. D. Gray, of Liverpool, assistant, The Secretary of the Union, Rev. Duncan McGregor, M. A., of Liverpool, N. S. then formed a Sessional Roll.

THE PERSONNEL OF THE UNION.—Present:

Rev. Joseph Barker, of Sheffield, N. B.

" Enoch Barker, of Milton, N. S.

" J. W. Cox, B. A., of Noel, N. S.

" A. McGregor, of Yarmouth, N. S,

"D. McGregor, M. A., of Liverpool, N. S. James Shipperley, of Chebogue, N. S.

Wm. Peacock, of Margaree.
S. Sykes, of Keswick Ridge, N.B.
E. Rose, of Economy, N. S.

The Delegates to the Union were:—Chebogue, James Shipperley; Economy, A. K. Moore, James Hill; Keswick Ridge, Samuel Clark, John Kee; Liverpool, A. D. Gray, J. H. DeWolfe; Maitland, Caleb J. White; South Maitland, James Rose; Moose Brook, Lower Selmah, Noel, A. O. Brien; Sheffield, Archibald Barker, David Burpee; Yarmouth, James Dennis, Eben McGregor; St. John, Jas Woodrow, C. H. Dearborn.

Honorary Members:—Rev. R. K. Black, of Granby, Quebec; Zenas Crowell, of Houlton, Maine; William Manchee, of Guelph, Ontario, delegate from

Committee: —Nominating Committee: Revs. A. McGregor, S. Sykes, E. Barker. Business Committee: Revs. S. Sykes, J. W. Cox, A. McGregor, Messrs. Archibald Barker and A. K. Moore. Membership Committee: Revs. J. Shipperley, D. McGregor, and E. Barker. Finance Committee: Messrs. James D. Dennis, Rev. J. B. Hawes, Mr. James Hui. Devotional Committee: Revs. S.

The minutes of the previous year were read and confirmed.

Sykes, D. McGregor, Mr. J. H. DeWolfe.

The Retiring Address was delivered on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock by the Rev. James Shipperley, the subject being, "Our Denomination and our Work" The address vigorously dealt with the theme, and hopefully looked into the future. In it Mr. Shipperly pointed out the numerical and moral strength of Congregationalism, and the noble work already accomplished by its principles as embodied in men and institutions.

The Officers of the Union.—Rev. Joseph Barker, of Sheffield, N. B., was elected Chairman for the ensuing year; Rev. Duncan McGregor, M. A., of Liverpool, N. S., Secretary; Rev. James Shipperley, of Chebogue, N. S., Statistical Secretary; Rev. Alexander McGregor, of Yarmouth, N. S., Missionary Secretary; James Woodrow, Esq., of St. John, Treasurer.

These officers, with the following persons, compose the Union and Missionary Committee:—Rev. S. Sykes, Hon. Freeman Tupper, and Messrs. Freeman Dennis, N. K. Clements, C. H. Dearborn, and Wm Anderson.

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The Cornish, containe A social prayer meeting was held on Saturday evening, conducted by the pastor of the church.

Sabbath School were addressed by Revs. A. McGregor, J. W. Cox, E. Barker, and Mr. J. D. Dennis. The Annual Sermon was preached by the Rev. D. McGregor, of Liverpocl, N. S., from the text, Rev. i. 9-11. In the afternoon Rev. R. K. Black, of Granby, Quebec, preached from Rev. XXII, 13, after which the Lord's Supper was observed, the pastor of the church presiding. In the evening a mass meeting for social conference on Christian Life and Work was held, at which addresses were made by Revs. E. Barker, Zenas Crowell, J. B. Hawes, and E. Rose. These services were very largely attended and greatly enjoyed.

On Monday very interesting reports were received from delegates concerning the spiritual condition of the churches.

Reports,—The Statistical Secretary's report showed that there were Churches, 21; members, 1358; total number under pastoral care, 3545; net increase of membership, 46; Sabbath Schools 22, with 190 teachers and 1151 scholars; amounts raised during the year, \$11,741.

Sunday School Institute.—On Monday afternoon, an exceedingly interesting and profitable S. S. Institute was conducted by the Rev. A. McGregor. The "Management of Sunday Schools" was the general subject under consideration. This meeting is a new feature in the Union meetings, and, from its popularity and profit, will in the are be a standing institution.

Annual Missionary Meeting was held, Rev. D. McGregor presiding. The Missionary Secretary, Rev. A. McGregor, gave an abstract of the general Report indicating the outlook, from which it appeared that the prospect for the coming year was far from being discouraging: all the operations of the Society giving promise of a successful year. He also read the Report of the

Ladies' Auxiliary Home Missionary Society, which reported the work of six Branch Societies, and showed that \$252 were raised by these Branches during the past year. From the Report of the Secretary of this Society, Miss Louise Burpee, of Sheffield, the Missionary work of the Society will undoubtedly be greatly aided from this source in the future. So that high expectations of what might be accomplished during the first year of our Financial Independency were reasonably entertained by all present. The Treasurer then submitted his Report, after which the meeting was addressed by Revs. W. Manchee, of Guelph, Ont., and R. K. Black, of Granby, Quebec.

A collection was taken up, amounting to \$17,12.

On Tuesday morning, Rev. D. McGregor read a paper on "The Model Deacon,"

Rev. R. K. Black addressed the Union on the claims of the Congregational College of B. N. A. upon the Churches.

Rev. W. Manchee, delegate from the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, conveyed to the Union fraternal greetings.

Rev. Zenas Crowell, of Houlton, Maine, also conveyed the greetings of the Maine Conference.

Union Educational Meeting.—On Tuesday afternoon this meeting was held. This is another new feature in the conducting of the Union meetings of this year. At this meeting it is designed to discuss the claims of the "College," as well as other kindred institutions aiming at the better education of young men, preparatory to their entering upon their theological studies.

The Secretary of the Union read a communication from the Rev. Prof. Cornish, LL.D., Secretary of the Congregational College of B. N. A., which contained the action of the College Board in reference to students entering

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College from the Maritime Provinces. Such students in future must have the recommendation of the Union before they can be received.

The Congregational College of B. N. A. was heartily commended to the liberal support and prayerful sympathies of all the Churches.

Examining Committee.—For the examination of applicants for ordination, who may come under the Resolution passed in 1876, the following persons were appointed, viz., Rev. Duncan McGregor, M.A., Rev. Alex. McGregor, Rev. Jacob W. Cox, B.A.

A resolution was passed to the effect that such examining Committee be also a Committee to consider the best methods of selecting suitable men for the work of the ministry, and of preparing them for College, or for doing Missionary work without a Collegiate course.

The Annual Public Meeting.—This meeting was held on Tuesday evening, The Chairman of the Union presided. Addresses were delivered by Revs. Jas. Shipperley, Zenas Crowell, A. McGregor, W. Manchee, S. Sykes, and Messrs. Jas. Woodrow, J. D. Dennis, A. K. Moore.

Resolutions were passed on "Sabbath Observance," "Temperance," "Trust Deeds," "Education," &c., &c.

Members Received and Dismissed.—Rev. E. Rose was received as a personal member, and the name of Rev. David Hickey dropped from the roll, as he has joined the Methodist Conference.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP, or for work, were made by Rev. Mr. Carbonell (Baptist) and Mr. E. Hackett (Methodist). These were referred to the consideration of the Missionary Committee, which subsequently reported that no action could be taken at present.

A resolution was passed in reference to the Maitland Church which will greatly relieve that Church in its embarrassed condition.

Resolutions of thanks were passed to the friends of Keswick Ridge for their generous hospitality during the Session of the Union, and to Messrs. Dearborn and Logan for their kindness in providing accommodation for the Union at Fredericton; to Miss Sykes and the Choir for their services during the meetings of the Union; to the Chairman, for his retiring address; to Rev. D. MeGregor, for paper read; to the Statistical Secretary, for information collected; to the Railway, Steamboat and Stage lines for the reduction of fares.

The sessions of the Union were preceded every morning by a prayer-meeting.

Important amendments to our present Constitution were made.

The Finance Committee reported that through the kind consideration of many of the Ministers and Delegates the collections were made to cover expenditures.

THE LADIES' AUXILIARY HOME MISSIONARY Society held its annual meeting on Monday morning, in the parlor of the Parsonage, and elected officers for the ensuing year.

A FAREWELL MEETING took place on Tuesday evening, which was also the Annual Public Meeting.

The Union then adjourned to meet early in July, 1880, at Liverpool, N.S.

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NOTES OF THE YEAR'S EXPERIENCE.—2. Spiritual state of the Church, low; Prayer-meetings and Sabbath School still kept up. 3. Hope a steady work is being done. 4. The peace and spiritual prosperity of our Church is very encouraging. 7. Hard times and religious indifference and removals, together with the wear and tear of time, tell upon our cause. Brethren, pray for us. 8. Phil. ii.:16; Ps. cxxvi:5,6, 2 Cor. x. 12, 13, Romans, xii., 12. 10 Increased interest in religious matters in this field. 12. Financial straitness, spiritual prosperity. 15. Prospering spiritually, embarrassed financially, but are very hopeful. 20. Owing to long illness and absence of the Pastor, congregation was reduced. After Pastor's resignation there was a serious crisis in

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the financial condition of the Church. Providentially, this crisis seems to have passed away at date of this report. The prayer-meetings of the Church have been well sustained through the year, and at present are well sustained. 21. A year of comfortable working in which there have been tokens for good. Have suffered financially, but in God's hand it is well.

No. II.—STATISTICS (PROPERTY AND FINANCIAL) OF THE NEW BRUNSWICK FOR THE

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2 Cornwallis, N. S	1	W'd	400	2000		Yes	1	W'd	2	1000	Yes	
3 Chebogue, N. S	1	W'd	200	2600		Yes	1	W'd	12	3000	Yes	Yes
4 Economy, N. S									$1\frac{1}{2}$			
5 Halifax, N. S	1	W'd	750	15000								
6 Keswick Ridge, N. B.	1	W'd	300	2200		Yes	1	W'd	5	1500	Yes	No
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10 Manchester, N. S	1	W'd	200	800		Yes						
11 Maitland, N. S	1	W'd		1600	Yes		• •					
12 Milton, N. S	1	W'd	300	4000		Yes	1	W'd	1-5	1000	• • • •	
13 Moose Brook, N.S							• •				• • • •	
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16 Pleasant River, N.S	2	W'd	500	1600		Yes	1	W'd	61	600		No
South Maitland, N. S.	1	W'd		1500		Yes						
18 Sheffield, N. B	1	W'd	300	2625	Yes		1	W'd	$\frac{1}{2}$	1500		Yes
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PRESENTED AT THE

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION HELD AT KINGSTON, ONT., JUNE THE 6TH, 1879.

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

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

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Messes, J. B. LEARMONT and ROBT. MILLS.

I. 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:—

Classics, Mathematics, and English.

In Classics.—Latin Grammar, Greek Grammar, and one easy Latin and one easy Greek author. The authors recommended are:—Cicero (against Cataline, I. & 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 exemption 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.

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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 Literature; Pure Mathematics; History; Elementary Chemistry.

Second Year.—Classics; French or German or Hebrew; English Literature; Pure Mathematics; Botany.

Third Year.—Classics; English Literature; Mental and Moral Philosophy; Mixed Mathematics; Zoology.

Fourth Year.—Classics; Mental and Moral Philosophy; Mixed Mathematics Mineralogy and Geology.

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 examinations of such classes.

II. 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. All who contribute one dollar annually to the funds of the College are members of the Corporation, and entitled to a voice in the management of its affairs.

4. 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, and the transaction of other necessary business.

5. The Annual Meeting is held at the same time and place as that of the Congregational Union of Canada.

6. Special Meetings of the Corporation may be held for the transaction of special business, 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 Meeting be held without two months' public notice thereof, signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Directors.

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 not less than fifteen and not more than twenty other members, who hold office for one year, but are eligible for re-election.

2. Five members of the Board form a quorum.

3. The functions and duties of the Board are:—The oversight and management of the affairs of the College during their year of office; and, on the expiration of the same, to present a Report of their proceedings, as well as of the general condition of the College, to the Corporation at its Annual Regular Meeting, or at such other times as the Corporation may require.

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- 4. The proceedings of the Board of Directors are subject to the sanction of the Corporation, and are regulated by By-Laws, which may be enacted, amended or repealed at any Annual Meeting.
- 5. Vacancies in the Board, whether occurring by death or resignation, may be filled by the Board, as soon after their occurrence as it may see fit; provided always, that no such appointments be made without a vote of, at least, a majority of the members of the Board,

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CHAPTER III.

OF THE PROFESSORS.

- 1. The Professors receive their appointment from the Corporation : or, in exceptional cases, from the Board of Directors, subject to the approval of the Corporation.
- 2. Their duties and their salaries are determined by such regulations as the Corporation may from time to time ordain in that behalf.
- 3. The Professors constitute a Faculty of Theology, and, as such, are entrusted with the educational department of the College, subject to the sanction and control of the Board of Directors.
- 4. 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.
- 5. The Faculty are required to make regular reports of their proceedings to the Board.

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 apparent 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.
- 2. Candidates for 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. 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 to the Full Course.

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 Department, are required to attend exclusively to the studies approved by the Board.
- 3. Every Student on his admission into the College, is required to sign a declaration of obedience and consent to the By-laws and Regulations of the College.

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sign f the 4. Students are allowed to live with such families only as are approved by the Board of Directors. Change of abode must be promptly notified to the secretary of the College.

5. Attendance upon the classes in the College and the use of the Library is allowed without charge to the Students. Aid may also be granted to them from its funds to meet the expense of Board;—the amount of such aid to be fixed at the beginning of each Session.

6. As a part of their preparation for their future work, the Students, under the sanction of the Directors, 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 the place in which the College may be. 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 EXAMINATION.

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 Thelogical Department, the course of study includes the Original Languages of the Scriptures, Fiblical 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 Thelogical 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 fail 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 Sesssion of the Theological Department begins on the second

Wednesday in September, and ends on the second Wednesday 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

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. In reference to matters not provided for in the foregoing By-Laws, the Directors may act according to their discretion, subject always to the approval of the Corporation at any Regular Meeting.
- 2. Alterations may be made in the By-Laws and Regulations, or new ones added, by any Annual Regular Meeting of the Corporation, provided that notice of such alterations or additions has been given at the meeting next preceding.

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IV. PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING, 1879.

The Fortieth Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Congregational College of British North America was held in the Congregational Church, Kingston, on Friday, June 6th, 1879.

On motion, George Hague, Esq., was appointed Chairman; and Rev. Joseph Griffith, Minute-Secretary.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Wm. McIntosh.

(1) Reading of the Report for the Session 1878-79, with the Treasurer's Statement, and the Report of the Endowment Fund.

(2) Moved by Dr. Cornish; seconded by Rev. J. B. Silcox; and

Resolved:—That the Annual Report now read be received and adopted and that the following gentlemen be the Board of Directors for the ensuing year:—

Chairman—Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B. Treasurer—Mr. R. C. Jamieson. Secretary—Rev. George Cornish, LL.D. Directors—Revs. Henry Wilkes, D.D., LL.D., Prof. Fenwick, A. Duff, R. K. Black, W. H. Allworth, S. N. Jackson, M.D., A. McGregor, A. J. Bray, J. L. Forster; Messrs. C. Alexander, Henry Lyman, W. M. Mooney, H. Vennor, C. R. Black, Theodore Lyman, J. S. McLachlan, Thos. Robertson, H. K. Ritchie, George Hague, and R. Anderson. And that Messrs. J. B. Learmont and Robert Mills be requested to audit the accounts of the Treasurer.

(3) Moved by G. S. Fenwick, Esq., seconded by James Ball, Esq., and carried:—

That the thanks of this meeting are emphatically due to the Colonial Missionary Society, and are hereby conveyed, for its continued generous aid afforded to the College, without which it would be impossible to carry on with efficiency its important work.

(4) Moved by Rev. R. Hay, seconded by Rev. J. L. Forster, and carried:—
That in view of the present financial condition of the College, and of the lack of universality in the contributions of the Churches, this meeting be resolved into a free conference on the interests of the College.

(5) A lengthened and free conference then took place, the tone of which was very encouraging, as showing a universal recognition of the value of the College, a growing confidence in it, and a general determination to render it more systematic and efficient support. Whereupon, it was:—

(6) Moved by Dr. Wilkes, and seconded by Rev. C. Duff, and resolved:—
That this corporation commends the financial condition of the College to the earnest consideration of the Churches, and urges upon them the taking up of a special collection on the second Sabbath in October.

(7) On motion the above minutes were read and confirmed, after which the meeting adjourned.

GEORGE CORNISH,

Secretary.

REPORT FOR 1878-79.

The following Report which your Board have now to submit, is the Fortieth Annual Report of this institution. The Session of 1878-79 was opened and closed on the appointed days, with the usual public services, held in Emmanuel Church. The address to the students at the opening service was delivered by the Rev. R. K. Black, of Granby, and the thanks of the Corporation are due to that gentleman for this valuable service so ably rendered by him.

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(1) Allan L. McFadyen, B.A., Full Course, 5th year.

(2) Wm. Ewing, B.A., Full Course, 5th year.
(3) Robert Eadie, Full Course, 4th year.

(4) Alexander H. McIntyre, Full Course, 3rd year.

(5) Chas. H. Black, Full Course, 2nd year.
(6) J. B. Saer, Theological Course, 2nd year.
(7) Geo. Robertson, Full Course, 2nd year.
(8) Gregory J. Powell, Full Course, 2nd year.
(9) Alvan McLeod, Full Course, 2nd year.
(10) Jas. E. Richards, Theological Course, 1st year.

(11) George Fuller, Full Course, 1st year.

(12) Chas. H. Keays, Full Course, 3rd year.
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(14) W. T. Currie, Full Course, 1st year.

(15) Chas. E Bolton, Theological Course, 1st year.

(16) Jas. M. Shipperly, Probationer.

Messrs. McFadyen and Ewing have completed their course, and have received the certificate of the College to that effect. Mr. C. Pedley, B.A., at the beginning of the session, requested permission to withdraw from the College. promising to refund, when he may be able, such sums as were received by him from the College Funds whilst he was a student, which permission was granted.

Your Beard regret to have to report that Messrs. Grieve and Richards have been compelled by serious ill health, to retire from the College and remove to milder climates. With these exceptions, it is a matter for thankfulness that the health both of Professors and students, has been such as that they have been able to regularly prosecute the work of the session without intermission. A note-worthy feature of the session, to which reference is made by the Principal in his Report, was the unusual number of preaching engagements, in various quarters, which devolved upon the students; and it is gratifying to be able to report that in these services to the churches they acquitted themselves with acceptability and credit.

Your Board are of the opinion that the advantages and facilities afforded by the College for the education of candidates for the ministry, should be proffered as liberally and widely as possible to all the churches of our denomination in the Maritime Provinces. Yet, owing chiefly to the large expense inclived in travelling over so great a distance, difficulties have arisen in more than one instance which it would be well to obviate, and the following is therefore submitted as a standing rule with reference to candidates for admission from those Provinces.

"That because of the great expense as well as inconvenience involved in the case of unsuccessful candidates from the Maritime Provinces, it is deemed necessary that all applications for admission to the College from these Provinces should be submitted to and sustained by the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick."

Not the least advantage of such an arragement would be found in the fact that a feeling of interest and responsibility would be awakened in the representatives of the Churches for young men who may be prompted to offer themselves for the work of the ministry.

The following Reports of the Professors show the amount and character of the work done in the several classes of the Department of Theology:--

(1) Dr. Wilkes reports :--

I have to report a class of eight students, to whom I have given forty-one lectures, as a first year's course, in Systematic Theology. These have embraced

the Inspiration of the Sacred Writers; the Being and Attributes of God; the doctrine of the Trinity, including the Divinity of Christ and the Personality and Divinity of the Holy Spirit; Creation; Angels, good and evil; Divine Providence; Man, his original state and fall; Nature of Sin, &c. Also, twenty lectures on Biblical Introduction, with reference to the books of the Old Testament. Prior to the Christmas vacation, the class had ten lectures on Homiletics, and since that period eleven on the History of the Sacred Canon. The Senior Class received also ten lectures on the Decalogue, and nine on the Symbolical Ordinances of Christianity. In all 101 lectures. The attendance has been regular and punctual, and conduct all that could be desired. The written examinations, both at Christmas and the Sessional, have been, on the whole, very satisfactory. A report of them is appended, Professor Fenwick has conducted the Homiletical class for plans of sermons and sermons during the session. The students have been much more engaged in preaching during the session than on any former occasion. They have supplied once a fortnight a preaching-station at the North-Eastern extremity of the City, and for some six Sundays another new station at considerable distance from that, but in the same direction. They have also supplied the pulpit of the Inspector street Mission Church, one of them being about to take a pastoral charge there. The Presbyterian Church at Lancaster, Ont., in connection with the Church of Scotland, has been supplied, during the session, for the most part by our students, and in the earlier part of the session, the Eastern Congregational Church had a supply once on the Sunday.

I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the diligence, courtesy, and regular attendance of the students during the session. In my department, I have delivered, in the ordinary classes, 37 lectures on Apologetics; 33 on Church History; and 22 on Historical Theology. To the senior students an additional course of 21 lectures has been given on Historical Theology; and one of 19 lectures on Old Testament Economy. In all, during the present session, I have delivered 132 lectures. My two Hebrew classes have been specially satisfactory. To these I have devoted four hours, weekly. I have conducted the Homiletic exercises every Thursday afternoon, for one hour. A marked improvement in this study has been apparent. The weekly devotional service, attended by all the students, has been remarkably well attended: and the interest has been encouraging.

(3) Mr. Stevenson reports favourably on the progress and conduct of those students who have attended the classes in Greek Testament Exegesis, which he has again kindly conducted.

The Faculty reported that during the whole of the session a class made up of the students for the study of the elements of the Greek language had been conducted with exemplary diligence and gratifying success by Mr. Robert Eadie, student of the 4th year. The thanks of the Board were tendered to Mr. Eadie for this disinterested and valuable service, for which the thanks of this Corporation are also due.

The Examinations of the several classes of the Faculty of Theology were duly held both at Christmas and at the close of the session, and the results of the same are given in Appendix.

Reports of the Christmas and Sessional Examinations in McGill College have been submitted to your Board, and it affords them much pleasure to report that Mr. Eadie has passed for the degree of B.A. with first Rank Honours and the Chapman Gold Medal in Classics; and that Messrs. Powell, McLeod and Black have passed the Intermediate Examination.

The important question of the systematic visitation of the Churches in order to give information touching the work and position of the College, and to raise funds, has had the serious attention of your Board, ank they have sought the assistance of Ministers in various parts of the country to give effect to a plan for such visitation. It affords them pleasure to report that the Rev.

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Professor Fenwick, and the Revs. Dr. Jackson, R. K. Black, John Wood, J. G. Sanderson and W. W. Smith, have cheerfully responded to their appeal for aid, and it is at the present time especially of great moment that Ministers and office-bearers of Churches should afford these gentlemen all possible facilities for carrying out the work they have undertaken. Your Board can discover no better way than this for enlisting the sympathy of the Churches and securing their assistance.

The Corporation at its annual meeting of 1877 instructed the Board of Directors to consider the advisability of a gradual reduction of the amount appropriated for students' board, with a view to their ultimate self-support, and to report thereon at the next Annual Meeting. At the meeting of 1878, the Board recommended certain changes in the matter of granting pecuniary assistance to students, and the appointment of a Board of Bursaries to which should be entrusted the entire charge of this matter. These changes were adopted, and your Board were requested and authorized to carry them into effect and to report thereon to this meeting. They have now to report that a Board of Bursaries was appointed at the beginning of the session to whom all applicants for aid were referred, and that Board reported their action, which was that \$16 a month had been granted to each student for expenses of board. In view of this declared policy and action of the corporation at its meetings above referred to, and also of the straitened circumstances arising from inadequate funds in which the College from year to year unhappily finds itself, the following recommendation is submitted by your Board, viz .- That in the case of students who absolutely need pecuniary aid while attending College, the amount granted shall not exceed in any case the sum of \$80 for the entire session, and that this, or any less amount that may be granted, shall be paid in four equal instalments during the session on certificate of attendance on all appointed classes.

At the Annual Meeting of 1878, the Corporation further recognizing the inadequacy of the stipend as at present paid to the Vice-Principal, Professor Fenwick, instructed and authorized the Board of Directors to make such addition thereto as in their judgment the funds at their disposal may warrant.

Your Board have now to report that they have endeavored to carry out your in structions, but they regret to have to say that, after the most careful consideration of the ways and means for giving effect thereto, they have been unable to do so to the extent they could have desired. By special provision they were enabled to do this partially, and their, further action cannot be better laid before you than by citing the Resolution thereupon adopted;—"That the Board do recommend the Corporation at the next Annual Meeting to increase the stipend of the Vice-Principal to \$1,600 per annum. And, further, the Board desire to assure Professor Fenwick of their high appreciation of the value of his services to the College, and to express their regret that they have not funds at their command wherewith adequately to remunerate him for the time and toil and thought so conscientiously expended by him in these services." To this recommendation your Board respectfully invite your most serious attention.

The Report of the Treasurer is herewith submitted. It shows total receipts for the past session including \$1,433.57 from the Colonial Missionary Society and \$690 interest from the Endowment Fund—\$4695.81. The disbursements, including the deficit on account of 1877-78 of \$748.22, have amounted to \$5500.99. Again, therefore, is the balance on the wrong side of the account, and your Board cannot refrain from the expression of their deep discouragement that notwithstanding the strictest economy in the administration of the funds intrusted to them, they should have to report such a result. The question of these annual deficits is one of increasing gravity to the efficiency and the future welfare of the College; and the time has come, in the judgment of your Board, for a full and frank discussion of the causes of this deficiency, and for an earnest and manly effort for their removal. Doubtless the widespread commercial depression which has so long prevailed has not left this Institution without traces of its disastrous influences and consequences, but it is to be feared that this is not the most potent cause of the evil complained of and lamented.

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If there could be immediately raised the sum of \$1,300, the matter would be complete, as George Hague, Esq., has promised to give the last \$500, in addition to the handsome amount he has already contributed. This requirement is of the greater importance because the immediate payment by Mr. Smillie of \$5000 is dependent upon it, and because this would very considerably augment the fund for current expenses, now so much in arrear.

The condition of the Library has received the careful attention of the Faculty, and thanks are due to them for a carefully prepared set of rules for the guidance of readers and borrowers of books. Your Board regret again to have to report that no additions of consequence have been made to the Library during the past session.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your Board.

GEORGE CORNISH, LL.D.

MONTREAL, MAY 30th, 1879.

Secretary.

VI. TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

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Audited and found correct,

MONTREAL, September 7th, 1879.

To Balance du- Treasurer.....

ROBERT MILLS, J. B. LEARMONT, Auditors.

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APPENDIX A.

CHRISTMAS EXAMINATIONS, 1878.

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"II.—McKinnon, Bolton, McIntyre, Richards.

BIBILICAL INTRODUCTION.

CLASS I.—Keays, McFadyen, Ewing.
"II.—Bolton, Saer, McKinnon.
"III.—Richards, McIntyre.

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HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.

CLASS I.—Keays, Saer, McFadyen, Ewing, Bolton, Richards, McKinnon. "II.—McIntyre.

CHURCH HISTORY.

Class I.—Keays, McFadyen, Ewing, Saer, Richards, Bolton. "II.—McKinnon, McIntyre.

OLD TESTAMENT ECONOMY

Class I.—McFadyen, Ewing.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY—SENIOR CLASS.

CLASS I .- McFadyen, Ewing.

HEBREW-SECOND YEAR

CLASS I.—Saer, Richards.

HEBREW-FIRST YEAR.

CLASS I.—McKinnon, Bolton.

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CLASS I.—Keays, Ewing and McFadyen equal, Saer, Bolton.

" II.—McKinnon.

" III.—McIntyre.

BIBILICAL INTRODUCTION.

CLASS I.—Keays; Ewing and McFadyen equal; Saer.

" II.—Bolton, McKinnon, McIntyre.

THE SACRAMENTS.

Class I.—Ewing, Saer, McFadyen.

HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.

Class I.—McFadyen, Keays, Ewing, Saer, Bolton, McKinnon. "II.—McIntyre.

APOLOGETICS.

CLASS I.—McFadyen, Ewing, Saer, Bolton.

II.—McKinnon, McIntyre.

CHURCH HISTORY.

CLASS I.—Bolton, McFadyen, Ewing.
"II.—McKinnon, Saer, McIntyre.

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CLASS I .- Ewing, McFadyen.

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HISTORICAL THEOLOGY—SENIOR.

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APPENDIX B.

REGULATIONS

OF THE

LIBRARY OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE OF B.N.A.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD, MAY, 1879.

- 1. The College Library is under the care of the Faculty of Theology, whose duty it is to report on its condition and wants from time to time to the Board.
- 2. The books in the Library are thus divided:—1st. "Books of reference," which may not be removed from the Lecture Room, under any circumstances; and 2ndly, books which may be lent.
- 3. A Student may borrow books from the Library during the session on signing a receipt for the same; but no Student, except on the special recommendation of a Professor, may have more than three volumes at one time, and must return them within two weeks, on penalty of a fine of 25 cents for the first week of detention, and 50 cents for each subsequent week.
- 4. A Student incurring a fine will be debarred the use of the Library until his fine is paid.
- 5. Any volume or volumes lost or damaged by a Student shall be paid for by him, at such rates as the Faculty may direct, having reference to the value of the book, and of the set to which it belongs.
- 6. Professors and Lecturers may borrow any books required by them for their duties in the College, not exceeding ten volumes at any one time.
- 7. All books borrowed by Professors or Students must be returned before the end of each session.
- 8. Professors and Students may, on application to the Faculty, be permitted to borrow books from the Library during the vacation; not, however, more than five volumes, on signing a receipt and on depositing with the Principal one dollar for each volume, which deposit shall be returned when the books are given back to the Librarian.
- 9. No one who is not either a Professor, Lecturer or Student in the College will be allowed to borrow a book from the Library, until he has obtained unanimous permission from the Faculty.
- 10. The Faculty at its meeting at, or immediately before the opening of each session, shall appoint a Student in his Theological course as Librarian, who will give a brief report to the Faculty at the close of the session. The came Student may be re-appointed should the Faculty see proper.

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Secretary—Rev. A. McGregor, Yarmouth, N. S.; Revs. Joseph Barker D. McGregor, M.A., S. Sykes, J. Shipperly, and the Hon. F. Tupper; Messrs, Jas. Woodrow, Freeman Dennis, N. K. Clements, C. H. Dearborn, and W. Anderson.

form of a Bequest.

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

CONSTITUTION.

As amended at the Annual Meeting of Subscribers, at Toronto, Ont., June, 1874.

ART. I.—That the Society be called "The Canada Congregational Missionary Society in connection with the Colonial Missionary Society."

ART. II.—That its object shall be to aid feeble Congregational Churches in sustaining their Ministers; to spread the Gospel, by means of Missionaries, among all classes of inhabitants, and to promote other general missionary objects of the Congregational body.

ART. III.—That all persons subscribing five shillings per annum, shall become Members of this Society; and any person subscribing at one time Twenty Dollars or upwards, shall be an Honorary or Life Member of this Society.

ART. IV.—That the Missionary field shall be divided into such and so many Districts as the Society may from time to time determine; and that for each of these there shall be appointed by the Society from among its Members, after nomination, at each Annual Meeting, a District Committee of not more than ten members, with a Secretary-Treasurer; such Committee to consist, as far as practicable, of pastors and members of self-sustaining Churches, and of ministers and laymen in equal numbers.

ART. V.—That from each of the several District Committees, there shall be chosen annually by the Society, after nomination, at least three members, such representatives to form together the General Committee; and that there shall also be appointed by the Society annually, after nomination, a General Secretary-Treasurer, who shall receive and distribute the missionary funds, and conduct the correspondence with the Colonial Missionary Society; and a Home Secretary, who shall correspond with the Churches and the several District Committees.

ART. VI.—That the Annual Meeting of this Society shall be held at the same time and place as that of the Congregational Union of Canada, and luring such Annual Session the General Committee shall adjust all the ppropriations for the coming year as far as possible.

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ART. VII.—That each District Committee within its own bounds, shall receive and report to the General Committee upon the annual applications for aid; shall have power to make grants, in special cases, arising between the meetings of the General committee, to such amounts and on such principles as the latter body may determine; shall attend to the collection of missionary contributions, shall explore unoccupied fields; shall superintend the labours of evangelists, and shall have a general supervision of the missionary work, visiting each missionary field, by deputation, at least once in every year. And that all its proceedings, as they are taken, shall be reported to the officers of the General Committee.

ART. VIII.—That all Churches receiving aid from this Society to sustain their minister, shall be required, as the condition of its continuance, faithfully to fulfill their own engagement towards his support.

ART. IX.—A detailed statement of Missionary affairs shall be made annually to the Colonial Missionary Society.

ART. X.—That this Constitution and the By-laws may be altered by any Annual Meeting of the Society, one day's notice having been first given to the Society, in writing, of any proposal to that effect.

BY-LAWS.

- 1. All communications on the subject of grants shall be made by or to the financial representatives of the church or station seeking aid.
- 2. Applications for aid, in new cases, shall be made one month at least before the Annual Meeting.
- 3. Every Missionary of this Society shall be in full communion with a Congregational Church.
- 4. All the Missionaries shall report once in six months to the District Secretaries respectively, and make a full statistical return annually according to the prepared forms.
- 5. In the event of any District Secretary vacating his office during the year intervening between the Annual Meetings, the name standing first on the list shall be Convener, and the District Committee is empowered to appoint a successor.

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TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADA CONGRE-GATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The twenty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, was held on Thursday afternoon, June 5th, 1879, in the First Congregational Church, Kingston, Ontario.

On motion, the Rev. Prof. Cornish, of Montreal, was called to the chair, and Rev. J. B. Silcox was appointed Minute-Secretary.

After prayer by the Rev. J. McKil. can, the Secretary-Treasurer read an abstract of the Annual Report and Financial Statement, and also the Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider and report upon the present aspect of our Missionary work. On motion, the Annual Report was received, adopted and ordered to be printed.

The meeting then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole to con sider the Special Report upon our Mission work. An extended and profitable discussion followed, in which a large number took part. After which, on motion of Dr. Jackson, seconded by Rev. J. Salmon, an appeal was made to the members and delegates to raise \$800. in shares of \$8 each. A large number of shares were taken. On motion, the Special Report was adopted, and ordered to be printed with the Minutes and General Report. On motion of Dr. Wilkes, the General Missionary Committee for 1879-80 was appointed, as given on the first page of this Report.

On Friday evening, the Annual Public Meeting on behalf of the Society was held in the church. After devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. R. W. Wallace, the Rev. C. Duff addressed the meeting on the claims of our Missionary work; the Rev. R. Hay read a paper on the claims of Manitona upon us; Mr. Geo. Hague made an appeal on behalf of the debt; the Rev. A. F. McGregor and the Rev. J. F. Stevenson followed in stirring addresses on Congregationalism, and its hopeful outlook, and after a good collection, the meeting closed with the Doxology and benediction.

An adjourned meeting was subsequently held, at which the several District Missionary Committees were appointed as before given.

ANNUAL REPORT.

In presenting the Twenty-sixth Annual Report of the Society, being the fa Forty-third year of our Mission work in Canada, the Committee have to m speak encouragingly of the evangelistic and pastoral labour performed throughout the field of their operations, by thirty-five ministers of the Gospel. It is not for us to estimate the results of such efforts. He, in whose name and for whose glory they have been put forth, He only can do this. But faith in His promises justifies the assurance entertained that great good has been accomplished. Any special details that should be recorded, will be found in the reports of the District Secretaries, which follow this summary.

The Colonial Missionary Society of England paid in two half-yearly in- \mathbf{H}_{C} Disstalments their liberal contribution of twenty per cent. on our contributions of last year, amounting to \$882. This amount, together with the following sums from the respective Districts, has been expended in paying the last sam uarter of the grants of the former year, and two-quarters of the grants made furfor the present year. Thus, for the first time in our history, has the Society ppleen compelled to close its accounts while about \$950 due to the Missionary

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pastors in April remains unpaid. The sums from the Districts are as follow: Western Ontario, \$665.80; Ontario Middle, \$616.46; Ontario Eastern, \$754.14; Quebec, \$639.18; Maritime Provinces, \$658.53; and from Trust Funds, \$420.80.

In these circumstances of grave difficulty, the Committee appointed a Sub-Committee for inquiry and suggestion having relation to the present crisis. That Committee has given much attention to the case submitted to them, and has presented the following report, to which we call the attention of the friends of the Society, after they have considered the Financial Statement, compared with the previous year:

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HENRY WILKES,
General Secretary-Treasurer.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE C. C. M. S.

Gentlemen.—We, your Committee, having devoted the time at our disposal to a review and consideration of the present state of our Missionary Society beg to make the following report:—

1st. That while the circumstances of the Society as reported by the General Secretary are grave and embarrassing, nevertheless we do not consider them alarming or permanently depressed.

2nd. That the experiences of this Society are in no wise unique, for we find that the same difficulties are felt, and by some to a greater extent, by the Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopalian, and Baptist Churches in the land.

3rd. That we ascertain there is not a diminution so much in the number of Churches contributing as in the amounts contributed by the Churches, as the following statements covering a period of five years will shew.

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Your committee would further submit that among the causes leading to the deficiency in our revenue the following are worthy of attention:

1st. The main cause we attribute to the general and prolonged busine depression.

2nd. Some of our churches, owing to increased financial liabilities incur by church building, or through the diminution or extinction of the Missior grant formerly received by them, do not feel the same ability to contribute formerly.

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3rd. The lack of interest in our Home mission enterprises evinced by some 11 of our pastors and churches, we fear must be accounted among these causes.

4th. The want, in some places, of a systematic method in conducting the financial operations of the churches is not without its influence on the Society.

5th. The need of a fuller appeciation of our individual and denominational responsibility as stewards of God, we would also class among these causes.

6th. That some of the friends of the Society are at times disheartened by the manifest want of sufficient care on the part of churches in their selection of pastors, in exceptional cases.

Your committee, in view of the present exigencies would recommend,—

1st. That an effort be made during the present session of this Society to raise the amount due on the April quarter; say, by one hundred contributions of eight dollars each, or by some kindred means.

2nd. That the appropriations for the ensuing year should be made to approximate as nearly as possible to the anticipated income.

3rd. That churches that seemed to have fallen into hopeless decay should be permanently removed from the Society.

4th. That pastors should make it a point to specially instruct their churches in regard to the claims of this Socitey.

5th. That the officers of each church should so far as possible become responsible for the efficient support of this Society in their own fields, thereby saving as far as possible the expenses of delegations.

6th. That Auxilliary Missionary Societies should be organized in connection with each church and congregation, such Societies to especially embrace the efforts of the ladies and Sunday Schools of the several congregations.

7th. We would finally suggest that the General Committee appoint in each missionary district some person or persons who should visit all the churches in the district, and specially lay the claims of this society before them, and organ-3 Auxilliary Societies as recommended above.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ONTARIO.- WESTERN DISTRICT.

The Report for this District for the year is as follows:—

Listowel.-Since the last report was made the church has salled the Rev . F. McGregor to be its pastor. His settlement amongst the friends here has In en much blessed. The time of the meeting of the Sabbath School has been speak the zeal of the teachers, from the morning to the afternoon. The psalmody out the nder the pastor's personal supervision has greatly improved, while the spiritual not for ork has progressed in a similarly hopeful manner. There have been many whose dditions to the church, and the congregations are steadily increasing, The promisionals here are much encouraged, though the financial depression renders their plished. Forty-tranged with marked advantage, both in the attendance of the scholars, and

reports Turnberry and Howick.—This large field of labour has been as well wrought Thering the past year as it is possible for one man to do. The Rev. Mr. Gray stalmentls, however, that he cannot any longer undertake the heavy task. In of last vuary he intimated his intention of resigning the pastorate of these churches. sums fres resignation is to take effect in June. He writes of Turnberry,—" Everyquarter c

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January, 1879, the pastor writes:—"We have now closed our first six months of labour. If the results are not as satisfactory as we could wish, still we have abundant reason for thankfulness. The church though small is vigorous and hopeful. There have been some conversions, and the church property has been improved. In April he reports two additions to the membership.

Markham and Unionville.—Early in the year the Rev. E. C. W. McColl resigned and went to Quebec. As he did not report, we have to depend on our own knowledge of the state of things. For the past few years the members of the Markham Church have been very much discouraged. Removals and withdrawals, &c., have very much disheartened the people, so much so that when Mr. McColl left them, they decided to close their doors, which was done. It was not thus with Unionville; though few in number, they were determined to live. But here it may be said the place is "over-churched." In April they invited Rev. E. D. Silcox to take the pastoral oversight in connection with Stouffville. He agreed to do so, and at once applied to the College for a student. Mr. C. H. Keays was sent and stayed four months. In April the foundation stone of a new church was laid by Mr. James Fraser, of Toronto. It will cost about \$4,000. At this writing the work is going on steadily, and it is hoped the new building will be ready for opening by the beginning of the new year. Rev. W. F. Clarke, of Guelph, has been supplying for a month or so.

Don Mount.—A new station has been opened at this place. Young men from Zion and the Northern churches, Toronto, have been preaching here, and the prospects were so gratifying that the Committee thought it best to engage a student for the summer. The services of Mr. Eadie were secured, and he has been labouring there since May. As no report of the summer's work has been sent, we cannot speak of the present outlook, but we hope the future is bright

Newmarket, under the pastorate of the Rev. H. D. Hunter, has been very much revived, and is in a more hopeful state than ever before. In May the pastor thus writes:—My only excuse for the lateness of my semi-annual Report is that I desired to, as thoroughly as possible, close up the year's labours before transmitting the results to you. The year just drawing to a close, though not all that I could wish, has yet been marked by a fair degree of success, and with perfect peace and harmony prevailing amongst my people; the future, there is good reason to believe, is not without promise.

I may say in this connection also, that the closing year marks an epoch in both my life and ministry, being my first year of experience in what you will permit me to call the "wearing of Congregational harness," and ranking at

once amongst the hardest (as to work) and happiest of my life.

We have endeavoured to keep sight of 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. Nor have we lost sight of that other fact, i. e., that in the prosecution of his work no man may suspend his efforts until, Paul-like, he can say "I have finished my course."

During the year a good deal of work has been performed of which no detailed account could well be given. The work has largely been of the foundational character, and the clearing away of "debris" which ought never to have gathered. Yet I record with gratitude some progress. I have been enabled, in the regular way, to perform the following labour, viz., -Sermons preached, 108; Prayer meetings attended, 49; Funerals, 3; Baptisms, (adults) 4, (infants) 3, total 7; Sacramental services, 13, and have made pastoral calls, 450.

During the year I have welcomed to the church ten persons, (all adults) seven by profession of faith and three by letter. Some months ago we organized a Sunday School, and now have 31 names upon the roll. The social religious services have, upon the whole, been well attended, and within the last half year have marked a decided improvement, both in tone and spirit.

Financially the Church is free, all debts paid and paid promptly. The friends will, during the year, have contributed as good as \$600 towards defraying current expenses, than which it may be doubted if there is a church

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The relations between my people and self and family, have been uninterruptedly pleasant and agreeable. A more earnest, active, faithful, and self-sacrificing band of Christians I have never known, nor one that deserved more

sympathy and help.

Our congregations have slowly and steadily, and I am persuaded also, permanently increased. We have frequently had a hundred persons with us, and the average will run about 70 or 75 for the year. All in all, I have no complaints to make. The sky is clearing, and with the blessing of God to crown another year or two's hard work there is no good reason why our Zion here should not retake its old and long-sustained position in this Village.

Owen Sound.—This church is now pastorless, the Rev. J. I. Hindley having resigned, and gone to Edgar, Rugby and Vespra. In the month of February he thus reported:—"We have had many discouragements; a number of families have removed, and death has carried off several members and adherents. These things, together with the hard times, discouraged the rest, and we found it difficult to meet our liabilities." The Rev. R. MacKay had held a few special services, but the location of the church and unfavourable weather made the attendace very small, and but little was accomplished. Mr. Hindley speaks hopefully of the outstations, viz., North Derby, South Keppel, and Maxwell's. Mr. J. B. Saer, has been supplying here during the summer. He was much encouraged in his work. The congregations increased and the outlook was quite cheering.

Toronto, Western Church.—The reports presented at the annual meeting of this church showed advance in all departments of the church's work. The pastor (Rev. J. B. Silcox) reported fifty additions to the membership during the year; thirty-four on profession of faith, and sixteen by letter. The prayer meetings had been well and regularly attended. The attendance at the Lord's Supper had been unusually good. The Band of Hope, of which the paster is president, meets fortnightly, with an average attendance of 200. The temperance meetings held last winter, had been largely attended, and were productive of much good. The report of the Treasurer (Mr. David Williams) showed that the finances were in a healthy condition. The increase in the Sunday collections, over the preceding year, was \$250. The debt had been reduced by \$650. The superintendent of the Sunday School (Mr. T. P. Hayes), reported a year of quiet steady growth in numbers and influence. The roll just revised shews the present membership to be 241 scholars, with thirty-two officers and teachers. Teachers' meetings for the study of the lesson, conducted by the pastor, are held weekly. The president of Berean Band (Mr. C. A. Moor) reported that the young people of the church and congregation had organized under this name for mutual improvement on the basis of Bible Study, with a view of becoming better fitted to engage in Christian work. They also propose to thoroughly post themselves in the history and principles of Corgregationalism. The past year has been one of blessing. The church needs increased accommodation, and already God in his providences seems to be saying to his people, "enlarge the place of thy tent."

Whitby.—The Rev. J. F. Malcolm has resigned the pastorate, but has been supplying for several months. We have no report from this Church.

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The wave of commercial distress which has passed over the country, has not left the pastors and Churches of the district untouched. The disheartening effect on the Churches of numbers of members leaving to better their condition is to be looked for. Good times will come again, and so will prosperity to our Churches. As an evidence of this, we call attention to the interest manifested by all in the prayer meetings. All meet there with their eyes directed "to the place from whence our help cometh."

Belleville.—Rev. A. O. Cossar, pastor, writes: -This Church entertains much gratitude to God for his continued goodness throughout the past six months. We have been enabled, by the grace of God, to persevere, and not in vain, for in the above named period we have had joyful and encouraging results. Several have been converted, and a number added to the Church. We have a young but promising Ladies' Aid Society; a large and energetic choir, who do more than sing; a prosperous and well conducted Sunday School; a good prayer meeting, on Wednesday night: we spend Tuesday and Thursday nights in visiting the neglected, the poor, and the godless, get the little ones to Sunday School, the adults to Chnrch, and all we can to the Saviour; we are making arrangements to start two Mission Sunday Schools for the benefit of poor little ones who wo'nt, turn out among the respectably dressed. For a long time we fought against youth and inexperience, but now the various departments of the work are becoming established and confident, and the officers practised and resolute. We feel that since we have survived the critical dangers and uncertainties of youthful impatience and inexperience, that our present condition is safer, and our future increase surer than ever before. We are fully resolved now to work in the line of "patient continuance in well-doing," knowing that this will assure us "glory, honour, immortality, and eternal life." We ask for the continued confidence and support of the Missionary Society The Society knows how low the cause in Belleville had become, and that God's blessing, with experience and perseverance can alone guarantee its ultimate independance and success. We are full of faith ourselves, and hope that the Society will receive our thanks for past assistance, and indulge us again."

In a later report he writes:--" This has been a very trying season with the Belleville Church, because most of the people are only in ordinary circumstances, so that we cannot receive any increase financially, but we are sure that

times will improve and results improve."

Athol and Martintown.—The Rev. D. Macallum, pastor, reports:—"Three deaths have occurred in these congregations, and several removals have taken place. We miss these in our meetings and work. One of our deacons and several members have suffered from protracted illness; yet, notwithstanding, the attendance at our services, and the contributions have kept up very well. During the winter, Miss Geldard and Miss Mudie spent some time with us, and though we have had no additions, yet I believe good has been done which will soon be gathered. The subject of church building which was before us last summer, has been so far determined, though not unanimously, and it is intended to build two miles south of the present site. A considerable part of the material is already provided, and shortly it is intended to begin operations. I trust that ultimately this will be found to be the right action, though not without apparent objections. Our contributions to the Society have been nearly equal to those of last year."

Lanark.—The Rev. John Brown, pastor. No official report has been received from this Church, but in the application to the Society for aid, the pastor makes the following remarks:—"We have just elected a new deacon, which makes our staff four in all. We are about to try the weekly offering system. Many are leaving us for other places, and more will go next spring."

Middleville and Rosetta.—The Rev. Robert Brown, pastor, reports:—"I have nothing very encouraging to write; we had no additions to our membership last year, though some are in a hopeful state of mind. In regard to Church membership we have lost two by death, and a large number by removal. One has gone to Winnipeg, four to Mayo, and quite a number intend going, in a few weeks, to the South-West of Manitoba. These changes, along with the failure of crops, owing to grasshoppers, frost, and drought, affect the finances of the Church. The Sabbath School at Rosetta was more largely attended last year than for several years. In Middleville the attendance was less, owing partly to removals, and partly the want of a new library. Our Sabbath congregations are about as formerly. I have been enabled, through the goodness of God, to fill my appointments on the Sabbath during this year, except on three occasions; the storms hindered me two Sabbaths, and on the third I was so ill with neuralgia as to be unfit for service.

Vankleek Hill and Hawkesbury.—The Rev. Geo. Willett, pastor, reports,— "I have but little of interest to record. When I commenced my labours here a year ago, the field had been vacant a number of years, and although a little band of brethren had faithfully stood by the declining cause, and continued praying that the Lord would restore unto them their former prosperity, others once connected with us had identified themselves with other Churches. We have also recently lost several of our number by removal, so that at present our membership is very small, and the additions during the last year have not been as great as we had hoped for. Our financial condition is causing some little anxiety, for although many of our friends have generously contributed to the full extent of their means, there is still a deficiency which it is feared will be difficult to meet, and this makes the prospect for the future appear less hopeful. Other things are more encouraging; much zeal and interest is manifested among our members; peace, harmony and brotherly love prevail, and the spiritual state of the Church is very gratifying. This has given me much happiness in my work, and the unanimity and kindness expressed in many ways by the people, have greatly helped to lighten the pastor's labours. At Vankleek Hill, our Sabbath congregation is still small, and so far I can see but little improvement in point of numbers. The prayer meetings are well attended, the number present generally exceeding that at the Sabbath service. Some of our people, although living four or five miles away from the church, are rarely absent, numbers of the other churches cheer us by their presence, and we feel these seasons indeed to be seasons of refreshing. The Sabbath school is small, but interesting. At Hawkesbury, our church organization had long since been broken up, and the one or two still adhering to the cause had transferred their membership to the church at Vankleek Hill. Our congregations, however, have been good, and are steadily increasing, but they are composed largely of members and adherents of other churches, and consequently, we have no reason to expect accessions from them, but the kindness with which they receive us, is an evidence that, although separated from us in the closer church-fellowship, they are with us in the larger faith. One great source of discouragement here is the condition of our church edifice, which is sadly in need of repair; so much so, that during heavy rains only one side of it can be occupied; but our present financial weakness prevents our making the necessary repairs, although we fear that ere long, if something is not done, we shall have to vacate the building. For several months I have been holding services at a school-house, three miles distant, with fair congregations, but have given them up during the bad state of the roads. I hope, however, to resume them again shortly.

Ottawa.—The Rev. John Wood, pastor, reports in December last:—"This month completes the first year of my ministry in Ottawa, and I, accordingly, sit down to report progress. That progress, I am sorry to say, has not been very marked, but the interest in all our services throughout the year, has been well sustained, and if there has been but little increase in the attendance, the

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reason is manifestly that nearly all who attend the house of God at all, are already attached to some congregation in the city, thus leaving us but little prospect of present growth, except by the influx of strangers. In that respect, I fear Ottawa is rather diminishing than increasing, as it is said there are now over eight hundred vacant houses in the city. We have had several additions to the congregation during the year, but these have been fully counter-balanced by the removals. We have had eight additions to the church, (exclusive of the members of my own family,) during the year, most of them by profession renewed (none by letter,) but we have lost several by dismission to other churches, and one by death. Our young people's meetings have been very interesting, and very well attended. The exercises have been varied from evening to evening, being sometimes musical and sometimes literary, with a Bible reading and social once every month. They are always accompanied with devotional services, and are always more or less practical in character. Our prayer meetings are also well sustained. In regard to financial matters, the church has done and is doing nobly, considering the extraordinary pressure of the times. They have had heavy extra outlay connected with the removal and settlement of pastors, and the painting and carpeting of the church, amounting in all to over five hundred dollars, most of which has been raised and paid, in addition to meeting the current expenses of the church. Meanwhile we labour and 'sow in hope," and trust for brighter days in the future." Report ending May 31st, I have very little to report in regard to my work here, beyond the fact that I have been very steadily in my pulpit, not having been absent a single Sabbath during that time. The congregations are encouraging as to attendance and interest, although only one addition has been made to the membership by profession. The prayer meetings are especially encouraging, the attendance being unusually large for the size of the congregation. The Sunday School has also fairly prospered. We have had during the Fall and Winter months a series of young people's meetings, which have been well sustained. Several courses of Sunday evening lectures have also attracted good audiences. The one source of discouragement has been the little spiritual fruit gathered."

For the greater sympathy of the friends of the Society, we include also the report of the Secretary of the church :-- "For another year we are very sorry to have to apply for the same amount, both on account of the weakness of the church, which necessitates it, and of the Society, whose treasury is much impoverished, but any one at all acquainted with the commercial condition of this city, and the losses which this church has suffered these last three or four years, will only be surprised that we have been able to raise so much as we have towards our pastor's support. We have removed from our church roll no less than thirty-three names within two years, besides four deaths, and there are yet seven or eight absentees, out of a nominal membership of fifty-five. Yet, with a congregation averaging not more than one hundred and twenty or one hundred and thirty, we have raised during the past year no less than about fifteen hundred dollars, for all purposes. It gives us great pleasure to report entire harmony in the church and congregation, and the most cordial feeling towards the pastor, and we hope with the return of commercial prosperity, which we trust may soon come, we may be able, in a year or two, to do without any further aid from the Society, to which we owe such a debt of gratitude.

GEO. S. FENWICK, *Lastern District Secretary*.

QUEBEC DISTRICT.

Another year of Home Missionary pastoral labour, and who among us can estimate its spiritual value? Of one thing we are certain, our dear brethren, the labourers, shall not lose their reward. For the satisfaction of our constituents, we shall record an outline of work done with apparent results.

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Eaton.—Here Bro. Smith reports in December:—"Uninterrupted labour since the middle of May. Average attendance, in ordinary weather, morning, 150; evening, about one-half. Prayer meetings well attended, averaging about 40, and enjoyed as special seasons. Monthly business meetings less numerously attended, but improving. The awakening of last winter yielded good fruit; seventeen were added to the church during the last six months, of whom fourteen were the result of those special services. Two outside stations-Birchton and Learned Plain—are regularly supplied on alternate Sabbath afternoons; attendance from 40 to 45. The preaching, at both places, follows the Sabbath Schools. The home Sabbath School goes on steadily, with an average attendance of 50 to 55. Two other fortnightly stations are maintained, at one of which several conversions have taken place, chiefly through a Sabbath evening prayer meeting, carried on by some of our people from the village. Duringthe half year, 120 sermons have been preached, and 278 pastoral visits paid. Names on visiting list always increasing, and the press, as well as the pulpit, is made use of. Much kindness has been experienced by the pastor and his family, which greatly helps in many ways. He prays the Master may repay it all." In April, our brother reports some rather dark clouds in the horizon. But, on the whole, matters are peaceful and moderately prosperous. Sabbath and week day services kept up, as before, in the village and outside. Sermons, 192; prayer meetings, 75; pastoral visits, 431, during the year.

Fitch Bay.—Bro. Adams' reports are brief but encouraging. Family affliction has interrupted, very much, his intercourse with the brethren at a distance, but not his pastoral work. He says, "We are getting along with the work about as usual, nothing of great importance to record. I preach occasionally at Ayer's Flats, and have received a promise of \$1500 to build a new church there next summer."

In May, he writes—"For your encouragement I have to say, we are getting on quite as well as formerly, and prospects in some respects look brighter and more hopeful. There is peace and harmony in the church, and congregations have improved in numbers. We are going on with the church building at Ayer's Flats, and hope to have it ready for worship this fall."

Franklin.—Our young brother, Rev. J. C. Wright, reports of this field, in December last—"Much discouragement, owing to the prevalence of that most fearful and fatal disease, diphtheria. Yet, though cast down, we are not destroyed. Services in church and Sabbath school are kept up, except when weather and roads render it impossible. Forty-two names are on our Sabbath School roll, and the children are improving. The membership of the church is about the same as in the Year Book." Mr. Wright concludes:—"I am thankful for all that God has done for Franklin, and am hopeful in regard to the future. By the help and grace of God I shall do the best I can, knowing that I must render an account to Him of my stewardship."

In May, he writes:—"We have had a very encouraging, and I hope blessed, communion season. Six were added to our number, five by profession and one by letter. This year has been rather trying in many respects. The Church was in a disorganized condition for some years, and it seems almost worse to begin in such a condition, than to organize in a new field. Besides sickness and general hard times, we have lost two very helpful members, by removal, one a deacon. Yet, we are not at all discouraged, but on the contrary we are hoping and working for better success and increased prosperity. He gratefully reports much kindness shewn him by the people since he settled among them."

Melbourne and Richmond.--Since last year's report, Brother McIntosh has carried on stated services at these places. He says:--We begin another year, while feeling the commercial depression very much, yet with hope regarding the future. Attendance is good in both places; but the necessity of a place of worship in Richmond is very great. I know not how it is to be met. On the

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Inverness and Durham are supplied with student labour, Mr. Black occupy ing the former, and Mr. Robertson the latter place.

Waterville...-Mr. Purkis writes:---" With respect to the latter half of 1878, there is nothing special to report. Capelton still remains shut up as to business, still, I hope on and labour on, believing the Lord will provide."

In May he writes:—" We held our annual meeting last evening, (7th,) when I reported having preached 152 sermons during the year, besides special services held in February, at which Mr. McIntosh preached four times, and Mr. W. W. Smith nine times. The meetings were interesting and impressive, and I have reason to believe they were productive of good, although such results as we could desire have not been seen. In January, North Hatley was given up for the Read school-house, between North Hatley and Capelton, where the congregation is much better, and where, I hope, under the Divine blessing, to be the means of leading souls to Jesus. I have gone on preaching at Capelton, every Sabbath evening. There is some stir there now-a few men are working, with the prospect of more. The parsonage has been repaired, costing over \$150. Last night, \$9.82 remained unpaid, which was there and then raised, in order that ground might be broken next morning for the church building, free from debt. Now the work goes on, and we hope to be ready for opening in the fall. We expect to expend \$1,200, of which \$800 and over are subscribed, and we hope to open it free of debt."

Sherbrooke, June, 1879.

ARCH. DUFF,
District Secretary.

NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.

Keswick Ridge, N.B.—The esteemed pastor, Rev. S. Sykes, furnishes full and cheering report, in which he takes a retrospect of his ministry in this field. He says, "Since my coming the membership of the Church is doubled. These have been mainly gathered from the world, and have already, some of them moved away to the United States as far as California, some to other parts of our own Province, and quite a number have taken letters from the Church militant to the Church triumphant. We have now a comfortable manse, free from debt, and our new Church edifice is a very respectable building. Our finances are in as good a state this year as they have been any year since I came here; and the people have a mind to work."

Milton, N.S.—Our dear Brother, the Rev. Enoch Barker, in January last, says, "I have but little to report from my station. We are few in number, and behind in the race. But hope keeps us up and we have plenty of promises, and these of the very best description. I cannot say that we have done as much as we could; but we have done considerable in proportion to our number. Though I may see some fruits of my labour, and hope the Lord sees them, they are not such as to appear in our statistics. We are not idling altogether, while praying and looking for a larger blessing." Though not yet officially notified, I am glad to be able to say that our brother and the Church have not prayed and looked in vain, for while they were yet speaking, God heard.

Brooklyn and Beach Meadows, N.S.—The Rev. J. W. Tarleton, of Mass., spent the last six months in this field, and says, "Attendance on the means of grace good, considerable interest awakened, membership quickened and strengthened, and several conversions. Nevertheless the enemy is busy here "sowing tares by the hands of poor deluded Adventists."

Pleasant River, Ohio, and Baker's Settlement, N.S.—The Rev. D. Hickey, writes in January, "I have much pleasure in reporting an addition of eleven members to our Church at Baker's Settlement. Some of these are highly valuable accessions financially as well as otherwise. Under the date of April, however, Mr. Hickey announces his intention of leaving the field in June next, which is much to be regretted.

Cornwallis, N.S.—This has been our only vacant Church through the year, and I am afraid the reason why will be found to be, "at ease in Zion." By the courtesy of the Rev. D. Hickey and other brethren, occasional services have been held at Canning and elsewhere.

Should this catch the eye of any brother "of good report," and willing to endure hardness for a season, here is an open door, with abundant promise of a near harvest, to a faithful and prudent labourer.

Manchester, N.S.—The Rev. Jacob Whitman, under date of 20th May, says, "My home mission work continues about the same. The attendance on the services good, and serious impressions made. I spent six weeks in February and March in Evangelistic work in Kings County. I preached fifteen times, conducted seventeen prayer-meetings, officiated at three funerals, married one couple, addressed six temperance meetings, visited 125 families, and travelled 665 miles.

Economy, N.S.—The Rev. E. Rose, the pastor, writes, "Since last reporting, we have received twenty into our Church fellowship, giving us now a membership of eighty. Fifty of these have been added to the Church during this first year of my ministry here. God still blesses, some are proposed for membership now, and more are to follow. During the year we have raised \$900. Our parsonage is on the way. The attendance on all the means of grace has been highly encouraging. In a word, we tremble and adore at what God has done by such feeble means."

Noel and Selmah, N.S.—The Rev. J. W. Cox, B.A., the pastor, has been abundant in his labours through the year. He writes, "There is increasing interest in the Noel and Moose Brook district, but Selmah is losing heart, by the removal of some of its ablest and best members. Hard times are felt by the people here to be a serious draw-back upon them. . . . I fear we shall not strike a blow to our Church this year. We need your prayers and financial help."

Maitland, North and South, N.S.—The Rev. J. B. Hawes has only been able to render broken service here through the year. A considerable portion of his time being spent in a comparatively fauitless attempt to collect funds in the States and the Provinces, towards prosecuting his building plans. The meanwhile, the financial embarrassment at Maitland grew to such an extent, that it was felt necessary to have Captain N. K. Clements of Yarmouth, come in person, to advise concerning the present and the future of this interesting and important field. Time only can tell the issue of said investigation. The Union and Missionary Society are extremely anxious that everything should be done decently and in order there, and are ready to endorse any feasible plan, whereby the Redeemer's cause may be promoted, throughout this whole region, so wonderfully opened up for our cultivation.

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In closing, I am reminded that this is the last report of Missionary work from this District, under the old relations. May the same Hand, which has led us in the past, oftentimes in trying enough circumstances, continue to guide us in our respective spheres, to yet greater results, so that He "whom we serve," when His dominion shall extend from sea to sea, shall cause His word to be fulfilled, "He that soweth and He that reapeth may rejoice together."

ALEX. McGREGOR,

Yarmouth, N.S., May 23rd, 1879.

Secretary.

LIFE MEMBERS.

By the donation of twenty dollars and upwards, at different periods, since the commencement of the Society. Five names of the undermentioned, marked (*) were life members of the Canada East Society.

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Eramosa	18	00	Tilbury and Henderson	21	57
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Guelph First Church	27	25	St. Catharines	17	00
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Bowmanville	44	50	South Caledon	14	00
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Canada Congregational Indian Missionary Society was held on Thursday, 6th June, 1879, (in connection with the meetings of the Congregational Union) in the First Congregational Church, Kingston.

The Rev. W. H. Allworth, of Paris, was called to the chair; and the Rev. E. C. W. McColl, B.A., was appointed Secretary.

The Rev. R. Hay opened the proceedings with prayer; after which the Secretary, Rev. J. Howell, read the Annual Report, and also presented the report of the Treasurer.

The Rev. C. Duff asked a question relative to the retirement of Mr. Lister, to which the Secretary and the Rev. Mr. Warriner replied, when it was moved by the Rev. Charles Duff, M.A., seconded by the Rev. W. W. Smith, and

Resolved, That the Report now read be received and adopted and forwarded to the Editor of the Congregational Year Book for 1879-80, for publication, and that the following gentlemen be Office Bearers for the ensuing year:—

President, James H. Richardson, Esq., M.D., M.R.C.S., England. Vice-Presidents, George Hague, Esq., A. Hamilton, Esq., the Revs. S. N. Jackson, M.D., H. D. Powis, J. F. Stevenson, LL,B., W. W. Smith, J. B. Silcox, W. H. Warriner, B.A. Directors, the Revs. R. Robinson, Joseph Unsworth, Charles Duff, M.A., and John Wood; Messrs. David Higgins, J. D. Nasmith, C. A. Moor, James Farquhar, George Scott, and John Adams, Esquires. Auditors, W. Freeland, and J. McDonnough Esqs.

It was further moved by the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, seconded by the Rev J. L. Forster, and

Besolved, That the work of the Society carried on among the Ojibway Indians for nearly twenty years, is worthy of continued sympathy and support. We recognize the difficulties of the work; and while rejoicing in conversions to Christ among the Indians. and praying that they may be much more numerous, we also recognize the civilizing influences of this missionary work, as of the utmost value to the Indian community, and very encouraging to the friends of the Mission.

The Meeting then adjourned to the call of the Secretary, and the Rev. B. W. Day closed the session with prayer.

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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

PRESENTED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY, AT THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT KINGSTON, THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH, 1879.

"Having obtained help from God, we continue unto this day." And in thus presenting their Eighteenth Annual Report, the Directors see much that calls for gratitude and praise.

Their agents have all been preserved in health in the prosecution of their work; and amid many difficulties, and some dangers and privations, some, if not all, are enabled to say, we have not laboured in vain. The Board are much encouraged by the reports from some of the fields of labour occupied by the Society, which they will lay before this Meeting, and by the fact that, hard as the times are, their Agent and Secretary has been able to secure a considerable increase of subscriptions this year from the same area of country, over the amount realized last year. Neither must they forget, that while the Mission property at Spanish River, with other valuable properties, were exposed to destruction by fires from the woods, and their valued labourer there placed in much peril and anxiety, life and property were mercifully preserved. While such a result calls for special thanksgiving to God, they feel too, in the review of the whole results secured, and in the fruits further anticipated, they can take courage and bless His Holy name.

Mr. J. L. Lister has been labouring at Mississaqua River during the past year, sowing the seeds of Truth among old and young, and though his labours are coming to a close, they trust that some pleasing educational and other results have been secured.

Miss Baylis was permitted to complete her eighth summer labour at Spanish River, and to realize considerable encouragement; followed by events, giving an earnest, that her labours are not lost; so that she returns for the ninth time, encouraged after so long a ploughing and sowing season, to look for the reaping of a rich harvest. Shall we not join in earnest prayer that this may be abundantly enjoyed.

Our Indian Brother, the Rev. Wm. Walker, at French Bay, has continued to enjoy the Divine blessing in his work, so that in this our first and most important station he is greatly encouraged.

The wider field in the North-West Territory we have not yet been able to reach for want of means and suitable agents. We rejoice to know that other sections of the Church have made a commencement there, and we wish them God speed; while if needful aids come within the reach of the Board, they will gladly enter side by side with them, in this wider and most necessitous field.

French Bay.—This Station, to which reference has already been made, as elder and chief, is on the western shore of the Peninsula forming the Georgian Bay, and in the Saugeen Reserve on Lake Huron, seven miles N. by E. from Southampton, Chippawa Hill, P.O., County Bruce. Our brother who labours here as a missionary of the Society, the Rev. Wm. Walker, (formerly Neqick in Indian) has been in the employ of the Society now nearly eight years, during two of which he has been the pastor of this Indian Chnrch, now containing upwards of sixty members. In a letter dated May 3rd, inst., he

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says:-"The Spirit of the Lord is still working with us," and then, or in one of April 1st, he says, "The work I am engaged in is prospering greatly. I am greatly encouraged. It is a promising Church; we have had a refreshing season. I have some young people who will come into the Church shortly. The congregation turn out to Church as usual, from fifty to sixty attend. Our Sabbath school is in working order, from twenty to twenty-five scholars in attendance, and three teachers. Day school attendance, from thirty to thirtyfive. Our Prayer-meetings have been kept up. The Young Mens' Christian Association is not working just now; we have a Good Temple here now instead. I am still trusting in the Lord for His guidance, and praying that He will help in building a Christian Church more fully among the people." Your Secretary spent a Sabbath among them last autumn, while collecting in the neighbourhood, and was greatly pleased with the general appearance of their homesteads, and marks of improved and extended cultivation of the land around. Their pastor's new squared log and neatly finished house, and enclosed lands; being quite a model for their imitation. The intelligent aspect of the congregations, both morning and evening, with the attention manifested and interest taken, while Mr. Walker acted as his interpreter, was very gratifying. To show the appreciation of his visit and services, they gave him as is their wont, an Indian name, viz.: "Wah-sa-gez-lick," (translated, " Shining Sky,")

Mississaqua River.—This Station is on the North Shore of the Georgian Bay in the Algoma District, opposite Manitoulin Island, South and East of the Church of England Mission. Here is a School house built by the Society on a grant given by the Indians, and confirmed by the Government Agent. At this Station, Mr. J. L. Lister has resided with his family for more than eighteen months, labouring among the Indian children in the week, and the adults on Sabbath, aided during the past summer for a short time by Mr. Anderson from Guelph. Mr. Lister's labours also extended to Blind and Serpent River Districts, and having acquired the language of the people, the Ojibway, it was hoped he would continue there, and his labours prove a lasting blessing to the Indians of this quarter. But not falling in with the views of the Directors, his engagement with them is about to cease; yet they hope that his labours have not been in vain, and that fruit may be seen not many days hence. The Board has before them two or three Christian Indians who are anxious to be employed by them. Should they appear eligible and the position still promising they may be employed here or elsewhere.

Spanish River.—This is also on the North Shore of the Georgian Bay; in the Algoma District, lying East and South of the Mississagua, Blind and Serpent River Stations. Here our indefatigable and devoted sister, Miss Emma Baylis, has continued to labour among the Indians, who assemble to work at the Saw Mills, and among their children for the last eight summers. At the request of the Board she has just gone up once more to carry on her work among them for another season. In her report, dated October 9th, as she left last year, she states, "I think the work has been more encouraging than last summer, twenty-two Indian children and more have attended the Day and Sunday-schools; and from fifty to seventy sometimes of the adults attending the Sabbath services, (Bible readings,) some sitting upon the rocks outside the Mission House, though when the Indians were not there to trade the average was from ten to fifteen. Jas. Nawageshick has continued to act as my faithful interpreter. The people (Indians) are coming and going all the time, but when there they listened with great attention to the instruction given-Pagans, Catholics, Christians. The singing of the Sankey hymns in their language has been very attractive, and when they disperse, they (as the children also do with their cards of Scripture Texts and Hymns,) carry with them the seeds of Truth; and who can tell which shall spring up and grow when the Spirit promised shall work with them in answer to our prayers?" In March last, Miss Baylis wrote from Montreal,—"I received a letter from Span there readiwith wrot they Miss dona To t especing war,

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The other Stations once occupied by the Society, She she-Gwah-ning, Lacloche, Little Current, and Ojibway, have not been visited during the past year, to the regret of the Board; owing to the want of suitable agents, and especially of funds. They long however to renew their efforts there, and to

take up new ground wherever the need of Missions may exist.

The Rev. J. Howell, Secretary, who has been collecting for the Society in various parts of the Provinces through the past year, desires again, with the members of the Board, to thank the many kind friends of various denomina. tions who have continued their kind aid; and for kind hospitalities towards himself everywhere manifested. And while the continued depression of trade has prevented their securing all the aid that is needful for the carrying on the work of the Society with its present agents in the field, they rejoice that the balance due is comparatively small, while many places have yet to be visited by their Agent. The Board, however, would urge upon their friends their continued, and if possible their enlarged liberality, that, the Lord helping, the remnant of the Aboriginal Tribes, still extant, may be reached and won for Christ, that His kingdom there and everywhere may come. To accomplish such results we feel we need a more abundant outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all our Churches, upon our Agents, and upon those among whom they labour. To this end, and that all our souls may be blessed, and our work, as a body, for Christ, extended in all its varied forms, the Lord pour upon us, indeed, "The Spirit of Grace and Supplications." Amen! and AMEN!

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The annual meeting of this Society was held in the lecture room of Queen's Road Chapel, St. John's, Feb. 27th, the Rev. Thomas Hall presiding. The attendance was large, and much enthusiasm was manifested as the various speakers pleaded with ability the claims of the Society. Every year shows a deepening interest in this good work, and steady progress. The Society is yet in its infancy, and the means at its disposal is small; but, through the blessin of Almighty God, it is accomplishing a precious work.

There is a wide and needy field for missionary effort in Newfoundland. Preachers and teachers are required in many parts. It becomes the duty of all who have means and influence to employ them to the glory of God.

This Society is trying faithfully to contribute somewhat to the general good of the colony. It will be seen by the report of the Secretary that, during the past year, the work of education has been combined with that of the missionary. It is the earnest desire of the Committee to assist other settlements to establish schools. There are many destitute places looking to them for help; they are reluctant to refuse, but, without a larger income, it is impossible to do more. Will the readers of this lend a helping hand? Every one can do something more than has been done in the past.

The following resolutions were passed:—

(1.) Moved by Mr. Beer, seconded by Mr. Robert Barnes, "That the report now read, with the statement of accounts, be adopted, printed and circulated under the direction of the Committee."

(2.) Moved by Mr. Seymour, seconded by Mr. R. Chancey, "That this meeting recognizes the goodness and blessing of God in the success which has attended the operations of this Society from year to year, and pledges itself to increased activity and earnestness in the great work in the future."

(3.) Moved by Mr. Wm. Barnes, seconded by Mr. A. Parsons, "That the most cordial thanks of the meeting are given to the Ladies' Auxiliary for their valuable assistance and co-operation in obtaining funds."

(4.) Moved by Mr. Cruickshank, seconded by Capt. Davis, "That this meeting appreciates the zeal and pertinacity displayed by the Juvenile Missionary Association in collecting for the Society, and hereby give them their unanimous thanks."

(5.) Moved by Mr. L. T. Chancey, seconded by Mr. Samuel Shaw, "That the hearty thanks of this meeting are tendered to the Colonial Missionary Society for their past help and encouragement, and in view of the spiritual destitution of many parts of the island would urge upon them the great necessity of increased assistance."

(6.) Moved by Mr. P. Knight, seconded by Mr. Haddon, "That the thanks of this meeting be given to the officers and Committee for the past year, and that the following be the officers and Committee for the present year:

President, Rev. Thomas Hall; Treasurer, Mr. H. W. Seymour; Secretary, Mr. P. D. Knight; Committee, Messrs. Cruickshank, L. T. Chancey, J. Beer, Robert Barnes, J. Calver, J. H. Martin, E. Thomas, W. Barnes, R. Chancey, A. Parsons, T. Davis, J. Shepherd, T. Gale, A. Northfield, J. Haddon.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF NEWFOUNDLAND CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY Society.

In presenting the report of the Society's operations for the past year the Committee regret not being in a position to place before you much information respecting the various mission stations, reports from Random, Twillingate and Bay de North, from some unaccountable cause, not having come to hand;

consequently, this report will be rather meagre.

The Committee regret having to record the death of their venerable and beloved missionary, Rev. Geo. Hannington, in July last. Eight years since he became the pioneer of this Society, in Rendell Harbour, Trinity Bay, where, during that time, he laboured most indefatigably for the Master, faithfully doing the work of an evangelist and giving full proof of his ministry; God blessing his work and giving him souls for his hire. Through his effort a church has been built and a school established where none existed before, thereby giving the present generation the benefit of a good education. The people were much attached to him, for he possessed all the qualifications

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necessary to endear himself to those amongst whom he laboured. He was remarkable for his gentlemanly and courteous bearing, his amiability and kindness of disposition, calm and placid temperament, combined with great firmness of purpose. Having finished the work God gave him to do, he peacefully put off the mortal and put on immortality. His death was very sudden, so that it may be truly said, "He died in harness," having preached twice on the previous Sabbath. A few hours illness terminated his useful life. His last words were, on entering the valley, "I am going home." The deceased gentleman was in his 68th year, and was interred in Rendell Harbour cemetry, amidst the scenes of his labours. All legal claims being met, the residue of his property was left to the Society.

The Committee feeling the importance of immediately filling the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Hannington, after careful consideration, engaged the services of Mr. John Squires for a period of three months on trial, he having had some experience in evangelistic work. The Rev. Mr. Hall was deputed to accompany him; to introduce him to the congregation. He entered upon his labours with every prospect of success.

In October last our worthy Vice-President again visited Random and reported the mission in a very satisfactory condition—Mr. Squire's services being very acceptable. The people were unanimous in their wishes for him to remain.

Your Committee believing Mr. Squires to be the right man for the place, have re-engaged his services for a further term of nine months. Since the death of Mr. Hannington the support of the school-teacher has devolved upon this Society.

A petition from the congregation of Twillingate, presided over by Mr. Wilson, the Society's agent there, came before the Committee, stating their wish to be organized as a Congregational church. The request having been submitted to the church, the Rev. Mr. Hall, in September, went round and complied with their desire, by ordaining Mr. Wilson as their pastor and installing three deacons. This mission promises to be a very important one, and, in course of time, entirely self-supporting. The church is composed of earnest Christian workers—pastor and people being united in their efforts to promote spiritually and temporally the work in which they are engaged. Hitherto they have had their services in the Temperance Hall, but a building has been purchased with the intention of converting it into a commodious and comfortable place of worship. There is land attached, affording ample space for a cernetry, school-houses and a parsonage, for which £150 have to be paid in instalments.

From information received from time to time by the Committee from Mr. Thompson, from the Bay de North Mission, it is gratifying to know that the work there is going on prosperously, all opposition in many places having altogether ceased, so that our devoted missionary has now the field before him; and he is unsparing in his efforts to ameliorate the social condition of the people, at the same time, working most zealously and self-denyingly for the spiritual good of those who come within his reach and influence. Many important settlements of Fortune Bay are anxiously asking for preachers and teachers. Your Committee regret that their means are so limited that they are unable to do more. During the autumn, the place was visited by Miss Good, who reports that the school is making good progress—being well conducted and largely attended—her presence and sympathy greatly encouraging and cheering the school teacher, Miss Radford, who is earnest and persevering in her efforts among the young.

Some of the inhabitants of Mose-Ambrose, Fortune Bay, having petitioned your Committee, asking for a school teacher; and, being willing to advance the interests of education, as far as their means will allow, they have selected one from the training school in connection with this church. She entered upon her duties in December last, for one year from that time, the people there guaranteeing £18, your Committee being responsible for £10 in addition.

It is gratifying and encouraging to the Committee to have the cordial and hearty co-operation of the ladies, in their noble work—they have formed themselves into an auxiliary to raise funds to assist in building a residence for the teacher, under the same roof as the school-house now in course of erection at Rendell Harbour, and for the purpose of education generally,—the sum of £29 6s. 10d. has been already contributed. The Committee beg to tender them their best thanks.

The members of the Juvenile Missionary Association have not abated their zeal and interest in the Society's work, having again contributed by their united efforts a considerable amount to the funds. The Committee appreciate the continued valuable aid of the young people of the Sabbath school year after year, and warmly thank them for their assistance, for without it the

operations of the Society would be considerably curtailed.

In closing this short report, the Committee acknowledge the growing importance of the mission work, and plead with those who are interested for redoubled effort in the coming year. There are thousands of souls in this island destitute of the bread of life; many places yet steeped in sin, ignorance and superstition; numbers calling out for the advantages of education. And on all sides we hear the cry, "Come over and help us!" May the Lord who loveth a cheerful giver touch the hearts of those to whom He Himself has given abundance of this world's goods, that they may pour into His treasury of their abundance; and may the sympathy and help of all be enlisted anew in this "work of faith and labour of love." And looking up to the Great Father of the Universe we supplicate His continued help and blessing.

St. John's, Feb. 27th, 1879.

Secretary.

RICHARD NEYLE,

REPORT OF THE LADIES' AUXILIARY TO THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

In presenting a brief report of the "Ladies' Auxiliary to the Home Missionary Society," the Committee desires to express their thanks to the ladies who have kindly assisted them in their endeavours to aid in this important work. Our Auxiliary has been only some five months in existence, and already the sum of £29 6s. 10d. has been raised, which amount has been given towards the erection of a school and teacher's residence at Kendall Harbour.

The Committee are thus encouraged to put forth still greater effort in this

good cause.

The subscribers are called upon weekly, quarterly, yearly, as most con-

venient to them by the collectors.

We have also received valuable assistance from the Misses Good, in clothing, pictures, and other things, some of which was the work of the children in their school. Most of these articles have been sold, and the proceeds given to increase our funds.

We now earnestly solicit the ladies of the congregation to co-operate with us in this work and continue their assistance. "Let us not grow weary in

well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

May we each be stimulated to do our utmost now, knowing that our working time will soon be over. And at last, may it be said of each one of us, "She hath done what she could." M. A. CRUICKSHANK.

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REPORT FOR 1878-79.

It is proposed in this Report to take a cursory view of the work accomplished during the past two years, 1876-78. Not that there has been very much of moment to notice, or any important changes to comment on, but that friends may be kept informed of the steady progress of our mission, in the face of many discouragements.

In February, 1876, an appeal addressed particularly to ladies, was circulated in the hope that the mission might gain subscriptions from Ladies' Missionary Associations, and similar societies. Though not successful to any great extent, yet we now number such amongst our contributors, in various parts of

Canada, the United States, and England.

The Winter Station of the Mission is at Esquimaux River, which is now quite a settlement. It is almost deserted in summer, when the people move to the outside islands to carry on their fisheries. Writing in July, 1876, the Rev. Mr. Butler says, "The River always looks so pleasant in summer it seems a pity we cannot live there the year round; but besides being out of the way of the vessels and fisheries, it is infested with swarms of flies and mosquitoes, which make it almost intolerable in calm weather." In the same letter Mr. Butler mentions the work of the previous winter as "very pleasant and encouraging.". Formerly the church had also to serve as a school-house, but being too large, and not easily heated, the people built a new school. It is a log building, put up in the style of their own houses, and covered with birch-bark and sods. The teacher (Miss Brodie) and children were glad to get into it. Mr. Butler further writes: -"The pleasantest feature of the winter's work to me was the interest shown by the boys in the little meetings on Sunday evenings. So anxious were they to be present that some would come long distances, over dangerous ice and snow, to meet together." By the arrival of Miss Warriner in the summer of this year (1876) Miss Brodie was at last relieved from her devoted and untiring services among the people, returning to Montreal in feeble health. Mr. Butler also took a short trip to the United States, and on returning to Labrador in September, passed through Montreal, where he addressed a meeting on behalf of his mission work. He stated that two years previous he had felt discouraged and thought it would be best to give up the Mission, but shortly after, the work of God's Spirit was so evident in their midst that he soon felt quite differently. Some desirable people had come into the settlement, and had taken hold with those already there, in the church work. Many men in winter spent the week away from home, cutting wood, returning for Sunday. They held a weekly prayer meeting, and spent other evenings in singing the "Moody and Sankey" hymns, &c. In the revival of the winter before last, a number of boys were converted; these afterwards joined the little church, and proved earnest workers. They often went out on the hills to pray, and sometimes held meetings among themselves in the house. They were frequently found talking together on religious subjects. The people value the mission highly, giving up to, and even beyond their means, for its support. They do more in proportion than many in more favored lands. Besides working at the buildings gratuitously, they do other necessary work, and furnish all the fire wood used. They are also pledged to give fifty dollars a year in money, but the last two years having been exceptionally poor ones in the fisheries, the whole amount has not been contributed. Some of the men own salmon posts and seal fisheries, but these and the herring fisheries are always uncertain—their principal means of support is the cod fishery.

In the Rev. Mr. Butler's Annual Sunday-School letter of the following year, (September, 1877), we find these interesting items:—"We started for winter quarters on the 1st November, later than ever before. There were more scholars than last year, and though some found it difficult to settle down to order and discipline after the free out-of-door life of the summer, they have improved greatly in this respect. The weather continued mild, with but light falls of snow through December, and the winter as a whole was one of the finest I have ever known in Labrador. Christmas was eagerly looked forward to by the children, and we made it as pleasant as possible, being pretty well prepared for its celebration through the kindness of friends in Newburyport, Montreal, and elsewhere. There was very little sickness in the community, and as spring opened, we looked back with gratitude to the past winter. There were more families in the river settlement this year, and some of the new scholars made very good progress. There has also been much to encourage us in the work of winning the hearts of both parents and children to the Saviour. About the time of the Week of Prayer there were tokens of the presence of the Holy Ghost among the people, which increased and deepened as time went on. Although I have been ill and unable to preach, we kept up the Sabbath services regularly, and our meetings were very good. While the vessels were in the harbor, the sailors and others came and took part with us. Every Saturday tracts and papers were sent to all the vessels near. We are now in our new Mission house, which, when finished, will be very comfortable and convenient."

In consequence of continued weakness and failing health, Mr. Butler was compelled to leave his post and spend the winter at home. At this time (October, 1877), Miss Hampton, from Montreal, went down to join Miss Warriner. The winter was a pleasant and busy one to them, and the people well appreciated their services. The day-school was taught by Miss Warriner during the week, while Miss Hampton superintended the evening school. Public services were also conducted by them every Sunday, besides prayer meetings and constant visiting. They also carried on a Bible class, and gave frequent instruction in sewing, singing &c. To the utmost of their ability they thus exerted themselves to supply to the people the want felt during Mr. Butler's absence. After a season of rest he was so far restored as to be able to return to his labors in the beginning of June, 1878. Miss Warriner left Labrador towards the end of July, intending to visit Canada and return in September, but being detained four weeks at Forteau, waiting for a vessel, she has remained in Toronto thls winter.

No mission can be managed with greater economy than the one of which we write. The missionaries have been working at merely nominal salaries, and \$1,000 covers the whole annual expense. If contributors could arrange to give their subscriptions annually, it would prove a great convenience to the Mission, which continues burdened with a heavy debt. For the sake of sailors, who are deprived of many home and religious privileges, it is of great importance that this good work should be encouraged and sustained. Many have testified to the benefits received while at the Mission station, and it has always been found that the tracts and papers distributed have been eagerly read, and in many cases have been the means of permanent good. It has seemed hitherto, that all the sailors could give to help, was the time and labor that could be spared from their daily tasks. But during the past summer Mr. Butler has collected from them a very encouraging contribution towards building a new church at Bonne Esperance (the summer station). The distressingly low state of the treasury at home calls anew for a larger spread of interest, and increase of help for the cause. A handsome certificate of life membership can be obtained by Sunday Schools or individuals, on sending \$10.00 to the Society. (Address Mrs. Wilkes, 249 Mountain street, Montreal). The following is quoted from the letter of a former lady missionary on receiving one of the above: "I value that beautiful certificate very highly indeed,

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and shall always do so as a strong reminder of the past of six years through which God so faithfully led me, and in which He so signally blessed me, that I count them the six happiest years of my life. Never shall I forget the need of that desolate coast, nor the claims of that poor people upon me, and never shall I cease to bless those who labor to save them!"

E. TOLLER,

Secretary.

Montreal, December, 1878.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1878.

EXPENDITURE.

Paid for supplies and freight thereof	90	400	20
" Postage, stationery, &c 4	60	486	38
Amount on hand for payment of salaries now due to the Missionaries, being \$685, and for payment of supplies in the approaching spring		370	23
		\$856	69
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RECEIPTS.			
Subscriptions and Donations\$982	47		

CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY.

OFFICE-BEARERS FOR THE YEAR 1879-80.

CHAIRMAN.

J. S. McLACHLAN, MONTREAL.

VICE-CHAIRMAN:

CHARLES ALEXANDER, MONTREAL.

TREASURER:

J. C. BARTON, NOTMAN & CO.'S. BLEURY ST., MONTREAL.

SECRETARY:

C. R. BLACK, 509 St. Paul Street, Montreal.

DIRECTORS:

MESSRS. R. C. JAMIESON, H. W. WALKER, T. ROBERTSON, Jas. D. DOUGALL, P. W. WOOD, and Geo. HAGUE.

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL FROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY, HELD AT KINGSTON, JUNE 6th, 1879.

The Twenty Second Annual Meeting of the Provident Fund Society was held in the First Congregational Church, Kingston, at 3.30 p.m. this day.

The Rev. S. N. Jackson, M.D., was elected Chairman of the Meeting. After prayer Rev. W. W. Smith was appointed Minute Secretary.

In the absence of the Secretary of the Board of Directors, George Hague, Esq., (representing the Board) read the Annual Report and Financial Statement; both of which were, on motion, received and adopted.

The following ministers were admitted as Beneficiaries, on ballot, to the W. and O. fund branch, Rev. Francis Wrigley, Rev. R. McKay, Rev. H. J. Colwell, Rev. W. M. Peacock. To the R. M. fund branch, Rev. J. R. Black.

The following gentlemen were, on motion, elected as the Board of Director for the current year:—

J. C. Barton, C. R. Black, J. S. McLachlan, Chas. Alexander, H. W. Walker, R. C. Jamieson, Thos. Robertson, Jas. D. Dougall, P. W. Wood, Geo. Hague.

The attention of the Board was called to the fact that certain subscribers to the Endowment Fund had not been called upon. Meeting adjourned.

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Your Board have much pleasure in presenting their Annual Report to the Society, meeting, as it does, in the Kingston First Church, and they herewith take the opportunity of thanking the Church for setting such a good example to the sister Churches of the Dominion in the matter of a systematic collection for the Fund, which resulted in the handsome sum of eighty dollars.

The Board has been very much encouraged by the interest thus shown in the prosperity of the Society, and they hope their worthy example may bear

fruit elsewhere in the coming year.

In looking over some of the old lists of contributing Churches, whom we do not hear from at all now, we find quite a number of well known names which used to remember us, and perhaps if we jog their memory it may be all they need to make them begin again,—

London, Granby, Newmarket, Southwold, Liverpool, Yarmouth, Sarnia, Vankleek Hill, Inverness, Canning, Chebogue, Pine Grove, Warwick and Forest, Bowmanville, Whitby, Stouffville, Markham and Unionville, Paris, Owen Sound, Waterville, Melbourne, Georgetown, Cowansville, Belleville, St. John's, N.F., St. John, N.B., Brantford, Hawkesbury, Albion, Caledon, Barton and Glanford, Hamilton, Zion, Montreal, Ottawa, Burford.

Quite a long list it is, and if some good lay brother in each of these Churches would make up his mind to take hold of it, and engage to get his Church to do something, however small, for the Fund, the aggregate of the result would be astonishing to themselves, and most welcome to the Fund. Do try it.

During the year our good brother. Mr. Wheeler, of Albion, has gone to his rest; and his widow makes the sixth annuitant now on the list-so that as the Society gets older this list increases year by year, and we have all the more

need therefore of the sympathy and co-operation of the Churches.

The Rev. J. R. Black, of St. Catharines, made application to the Board for admission as a beneficiary member since the last annual meeting; and in accordance with By-law No. 2, he was admitted by the Board, subject to confirmation by you at this meeting. You will therefore be asked to confirm our action in the usual method, viz.: by ballot.

The financial statement for the year ending 31st May, 1879, is herewith

submitted, duly audited by the Society's auditors.

The Treasurer, Mr. Barton, has been absent, for the benefit of his health, for the last twelve months, and your Secretary has acted as Treasurer in his absence. It is hoped however that Mr. Barton, whose health has greatly improved, may again return and take up the duties he has so faithfully and cheerfully performed for so many years.

You will be pleased to learn that the large proportion of the capital of the Society, (about \$16.000) viz.: that invested in the Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company, has paid a dividend at the rate of eight per cent. per annum for the last twelve months. Considering the times through which the

country has been passing this is quite a matter for congratulation.

In view of the fact of our great disappointment as to our investment in the Provincial Loan and Mortgage Company, of which you were made aware by our Report of 1878, your Board deemed it advisable to endeavour to assure itself of the thorough safety of this investment. Accordingly your Secretary asked permission from the Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company to allow one of the members of our Board to make a thorough examination of its books, and to secure in this way all the information possible as to the working of the Company, the character of its loans, amount of margins, &c., &c. This request was at once most cheerfully granted; and your Board appointed one of its number, who has had a large experience in such matters, to this duty. Every

facility was afforded him so far for making his investigations, and the result, though yet incomplete, has been exceedingly satisfactory indeed, giving us, as it has done, increased confidence in the Company as a sound and carefully managed institution.

The Board regret to say, on the other hand, that the position of the Provincial Loan and Mortgage Company, in which about \$5,000 of our funds are placed, is not improved, and we are still without any dividend from it. It now holds a large amount of house property which is unproductive, and cannot be sold except at a great loss. In the meantime the management are husbanding their resources and hoping for better times, by which they may be able to realize on their property with as little loss as possible; but the prospects are that it will be some time before we can look for any dividends from that source.

Owing to the fact that the whole of the capital (\$2,000) of the Retiring Minister's Fund branch is invested in this Company, the progress made in this branch has been very slow; and donations or bequests on its behalf would therefore be most appropriate, and very acceptable.

In the course of the year Mr. Robert Dunn resigned his seat on the Board, and Mr. James D. Dougall was elected in his place.

The following Churches having contributed to the Funds of the Society during the year, are entitled to be represented at this Meeting by one delegate:

Kingston 1st Church	30
Montreal, Emmanuel 50	00
Toronto, Zion	00
Guelph 1st Church	00
Athol and Martintown 8	
Lanark Village 6	
Cobourg 5	
Sherbrooke 5	
Lennox ville	50

List of Beneficiaries on the Retiring Minister's Fund Branch, 9:--

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Allworth, Rev. W. H.	Brown, Rev. R.	Smith, Rev. W. W.
Black, "R. K.	Hall, "T.	Unsworth, Rev. J.
Brown, "J.	Macallum, Rev. D.	Wood, "J.

List of Beneficiaries on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Branch, 29:--

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Allworth,	Rev.	W. H.	Hay, Rev. R.		Salmon, R	ev.	J.
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			Hunter, "	H. D.	Stevenson,	6.6	J. F.
Brown,	6.6	R.	Jackson, "	S. N.	Silcox,	6.6	E.D.
Cornish,	6.6	Dr.	Manchee, "	W.	Sykes,	6 6	S.
Day,	6.6	B. W.	Macallum, "	D.	Unsworth,	6.6	J.
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Duff,	4.6	C.	McGregor, "	Λ .	Wood,	6.6	J.
Hall,	6.4	Т.	McColl, '	E. C. W.			

Number of Life Members, as per list of last year, 49.

List of Annuitants on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Branch:

Mrs.	McGregor.	Mrs.	Bucher.	Mrs.	Parker,
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The whole respectfully submitted,

CHAS. R. BLACK,

Montreal, 31st May, 1879

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LACK, Secretary.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT—CONGREGATIONAL PRO-VIDENT FUND SOCIETY .- 31st May, 1879.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND BRANCH.

Receipts.				
Premiums, Beneficiaries	100	$\frac{43}{00}$	\$1,585	83
Disbursements.				
Balance Due Treasurer 31st May, 1878 Annuities Repayment (Dickson) Montreal Loan & Mortgage Company, 5 per cent. on New Stock Expense Account Rev. R. Brown, for money burned in P.O., Lanark	$745 \\ 58$	00 00 00 60 00	\$1,450	09
Balance on hand			\$135	74
CAPITAL ACCOUNT, 31st MAY, 1879.				
298 Shares Montreal Loan & Mortgage Company, paid up	1,490 3,150	00 00 \$	19,540	
Investments in 1878			18,795	00
Increase			\$745	00
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Examined and found correct.

WM. McDOUGALL, ROBERT MILLS, Signed,) Auditors.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT—CONGREGATIONAL PRO-VIDENT FUND SOCIETY .- 31st May, 1879.

RETIRING MINISTERS' FUND BRANCH.

Receipts.			
Balance on hand 31 May, 1878 Premiums, Beneficiaries Collections from Churches Donations Interest	$95 00 \\ 116 85 \\ 20 00$	\$ 605	19
CAPITAL ACCOUNT.			

40 Shares Provincial Loan and Mortgage Company, paid up...... \$2,000 00

E. & O. E. CHAS. R. BLACK, Acting Treasurer.

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WM. McDOUGALL, Auditors. (Signed,)

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President.

JAMES SMITH, Esq., Toronto.

Secretary-Treasurer.

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Directors.

REVS. C. DUFF, M.A., JOSEPH UNSWORTH, W. MANCHEE, J. B. SILCOX, and Messrs. JOHN WIGHTMAN, and J. SMITH, Toronto, and S. HODGSKIN, Guelph.

The third Annual General Meeting of the Congregational Publishing Company was held in Kingston, Ont., in the Congregational Church, on the 5th June, 1879, at 2 p.m., when a Report of the operations for the past year was submitted, and the above named gentlemen elected as a Board of Directors for the ensuing year. The Rev. J. B. Silcox was re-appointed Secretary-Treasurer; but subsequently resigned the position, when Mr. Alexander Christie was elected by the Board to fill his place. We give the Financial Statement presented to the Annual Meeting.

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Audited and found correct.

J. B. SILCOX,

Sec.-Treas. Congregational Publishing Co.

Toronto, June 2nd, 1879.

GEORGE ROBERTSON. JAMES BALE.

Kingston, June 7th, 1879.