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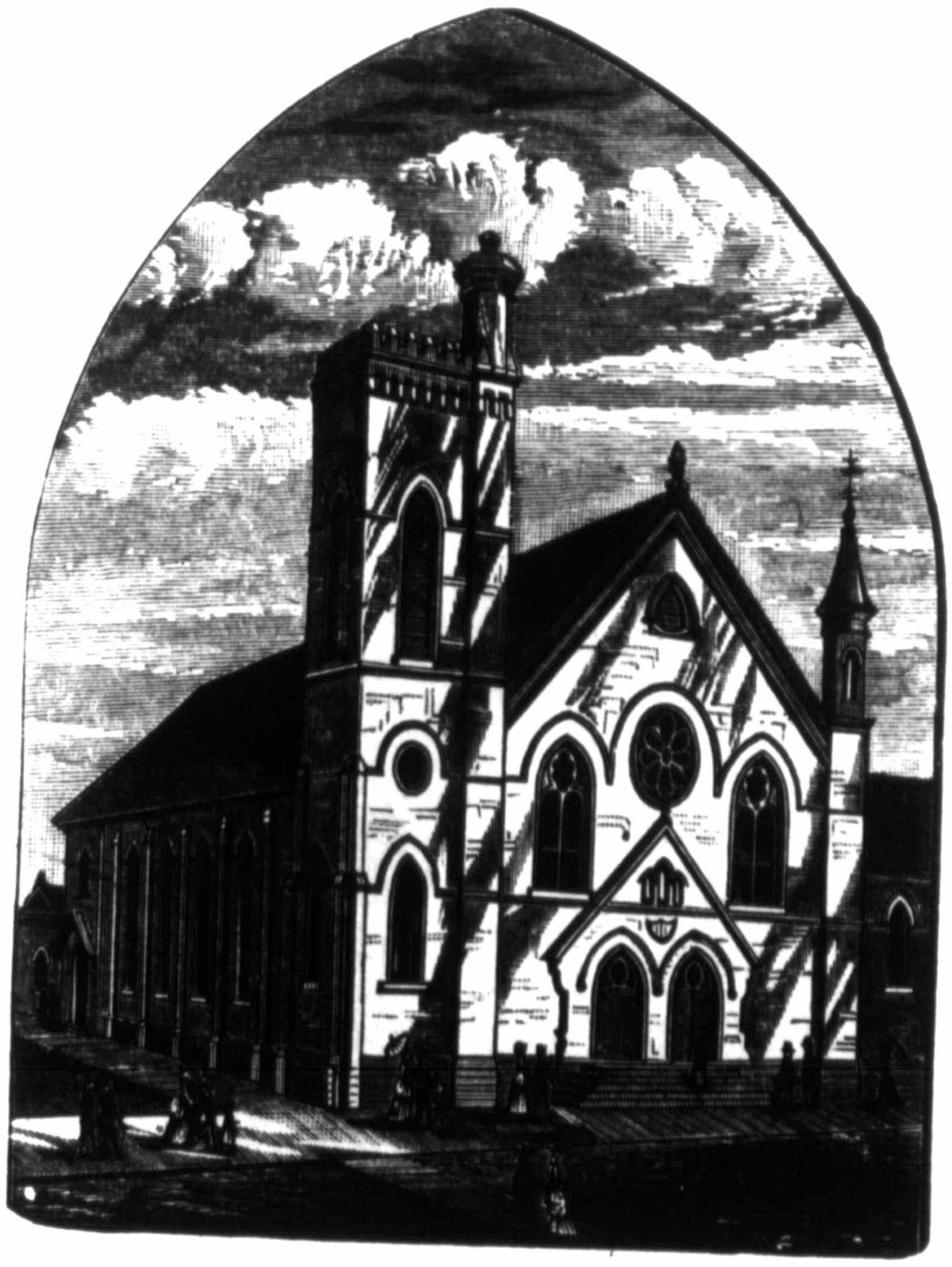

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PREFACE.

ONCE more we place before the Churches the Annual Reports, and all the other miscellaneous matter that make up the Year Book. It is a few days later than last year: but yet, in moderately good time. It would have been earlier, had some of the reports come in earlier, and in presentable shape. There is no better place for making a reasonable request for next year; and it is this:—Let every Pastor and Local Secretary, who sends in an official report, buy a sheet or two more of note-paper, and, if necessary, another *stamp*, and write his report only on one side of the paper—for it is quite likely his report will find its way to the printers', as it is; and we who have the steering oar in this Congregational boat, are anxious to keep up our reputation of having an "educated ministry!" Second, let the Statistical Secretaries know whether you decline or are too indolent to answer a question—or whether your answer is "nothing" or "none." If the latter, put a cipher: if the former, leave it blank. Every Pastor and Secretary ought to make it a rule to put either a figure, cipher, or word, in every column. Then the Official Secretary will know every question is answered; and the reader that comes after him will know it too.

We are still anxious to give, *somewhere*, in the volume, to each man his proper Christian name; but we have not been able to wring the secret out of some of the brethren yet! Last year, for example, out of about 90 names of ministers on page 29 (the list more particuliarly under our own control), we gave 60 in full, or slightly abbreviated.

Of the remainder, there are 14, of whose first name we are still, at this moment, utterly ignorant—and we have attended the Congregational Union for thirty years!

We have been correcting everybody's mistakes, but there is nobody to correct ours; and doubtless (especially in the money lists), there will be some errors. Surnames are arbitrarily spelled: and, if local collectors and church officers would get them correctly, there would be no trouble with us: yet our own local knowledge has been all that has prevented a number of annoying blunders.

And now, we commend the volume to the reader's perusal. Even the "tables" have information and lessons for all who love the particular courts of Zion we frequent. Each brother here presents his work—as of old each worshipper brought his handful of incense: and may it be fragrant to him for whom it was done! We thus compare notes; the wise and active are pleased, and the halting and perplexed are stimulated.

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BOOK PACKETS.

Every book packet must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; otherwise it is treated as a letter and must by charged accordingly. For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string. Postmasters are authorized to cut the string in such cases, if necessary, to enable them to examine the contents; but if they do so, they must again tie up the packet.

No book packet must exceed 5 pounds in weight, nor must the size exceed two feet in length, or one foot in width or depth.

PATTERN AND SAMPLE POST.

Patterns or samples of merchandise or of goods for sale, not exceeding 24 ozs. in weight, may be posted in Canada for transmission to any place within the Dominion, on pre-payment by postage stamp of a rate of 1 cent per 4 ozs. Pattern and sample post is restricted to *bonâ fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise*. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of any order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actually patterns or samples, are not admissible.

Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. But samples of flour, seeds, drugs and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind—but such articles only—may be posted enclosed in boxes, or in bags of linen or other strong material, fastened in such a manner that they may be easily opened, so as to enable the officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents. Ordinary paper bags or covers should not be used for enclosing flour or other similar matter.

There must be no writing upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles, or such words as may be necessary to indicate precisely the origin and nature of the merchandise.

PARCELS.

Parcels closed at the ends and sides, and not exceeding 5 pounds in weight, may be posted at any post office in Canada, for conveyance to any other post office in the Dominion, at the following rates:—For each parcel weighing not more than 4 ozs,, 6 cents; exceeding 4 ozs., and not exceeding 8 ozs., 12 cents: for each additional 4 ozs., or fraction thereof, 6 cents.

The following conditions must be carefully observed:—No letter or letters must be enclosed. The parcel must not contain any explosive substance, glass, liquid, fish, fruit, or other matter likely to injure the ordinary contents of the mail. The weight of the parcel must not exceed 5 pounds, nor the size exceed 2 feet in length or 1 foot in breadth or thickness. The postage must be prepaid by stamps.

The parcel should have the words "By Parcel Post," plainly written on the address. It should be well and strongly put up, and be legibly addressed to the post office address of the intended receiver, the name of the county in which the said office is situated being added.

If the name and address of the sender be written on the parcel, it will, if delivery should fail from any cause, be returned from the Dead Letter Office unopened to the sender, on payment of an additional parcel rate for the return conveyance.

Parcels may be registered on affixing thereto a 5 cent registration stamp, in addition to stamps representing the postage. When registered, the postmaster should give a receipt to the party posting the parcel.

Parcels sent under these regulations may contain books, daguerreotypes, photographs, written or printed matter, returns, deeds, legal and commercial papers, and all transmissions of a like character, not being strictly letters.

To enclose a letter or letters, or any writing intended to serve the purpose of a letter, in a parcel intended for the parcel post, is a misdemeanour.

Eye glasses, spectacles, queen bees and their attendant bees, seeurely put up, may be sent by mail, prepaid by parcel post.

FIFTH CLASS MATTER.

Will include miscellaneous matter of all descriptions not belonging to either of the above classes, and not excluded from the mails by the general prohibitory regulation with respect to objectionable matter. Fifth class matter must be so put up as to be fit for conveyance in the mail bags, and yet admit of ready and full examination by the officers of the post office.

The postage on fifth class matter must be prepaid by postage stamps securely affixed thereto, at the rate of 1 cent per oz. weight or fraction of 1 oz.

The limit of weight for fifth class matter will be 4 pounds for any single package, and as respects dimensions, the ordinary limit of 2 feet in length by 1 foot in width or depth.

Transmissions of the fifth class will be subject to the general prohibitory regulation, excluding from the mails all matter liable to destroy, deface or otherwise damage the other contents of the mail bags or injure the person of any officer or servant of the post office, as well as all obscene or immoral matter.

REGISTRATION.

On every letter and packet posted for registration, addressed to any place within the Dominion of Canada, should be affixed in addition to a stamp or stamps representing the postage, a registered letter stamp of the value of 2 cents.

On a parcel or packet of patterns or samples addressed to any part of Canada, the registration fee is 5 cents; this fee must be paid by a 5 cent registration stamp.

Postmasters are instructed not to accept for registration, letters addressed either to initials, or what may appear to be fictitious names, as it is impossible to obtain any satisfactory receipt or assurance of proper delivery of letters of this class.

MONEY ORDERS.

On money orders drawn by any money order office in Canada on any other money order office in the Dominion, the commission is as follows:

If not exceeding	$4.		2c.
Over $4,	"	10.	5c.
" 10,	"	20	10c.
" 20,	"	40.	20c.
" 40,	"	60.	30c.
" 60,	"	80.	40c.
" 80,	"	100.	50c.

When a married woman is either the remitter or the payee, her own Christian name should be given, and not that of her husband, thus—"*Mary Smith*," not "*Mrs. John Smith.*"

As respects money orders for or from the United Kingdom, if the remitter or payee be a peer or a bishop, his ordinary title is sufficient. If a firm, the usual designation of such firm will suffice, such as "Baring Bros.," "Smith & Son," "Messrs Hatchard," "Jones & Co.," but the titles of *companies* not including personal names cannot be accepted.

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Place of Meeting—Brantford, June 5, 1889.

Annual Sermon—Rev. William Cuthbertson, B.A.; *alternate*, Rev. Robert Aylward.

Sunday Morning Sermon—Rev. Francis H. Marling; *alternate*, Rev. James Webb.

Essayist—Mr. A. Alexander, Hamilton.

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Preachers—Rev. Wm. McIntosh; *alternate*, Rev. S. Sykes.

Place of Meeting—Milton, or one of the churches of Queen's County, N. S., Saturday, July 6, 1889.

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STATISTICS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES OF CANADA.

ONTARIO.—TABLE No. 1.

No.	Names of Churches.	Names of Ministers.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Present Settlement	Where Trained.	Religious Services.					Church Membership.											S. Schools.			Baptisms.		
						Stations not Churches.	No. of Preaching Stations on Lord's Day.	Average Attendance in all Sabbath Services.	Average Attendance at Principal Station.	Total Under Pastoral Care, Children Included.	Additions.	Removals.			Remaining.			Relative,										
											By Profession.	By Letter.	By Death.	By Letter	By Discipline	Dropped on Revision.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Increase.	Decrease.	No. of Schools.	Officers and Teachers	Scholars on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Adult.	Infant.	Total.
1	2	3	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
1	Alton	No Report.																										
2	Barrie	J. R. Black, B.A.	1875	1887	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	90	90	240	9	8	1	1	1	3	31	48	79	11		1	14	155	78		6	6
3	Brockville	No Report																										
4	Belleville	A. W. Main	1882	1884	Bangor Theol. Sem.		1	100		184	34			3		9	30	79	109	22		1	15	84	50	4	10	14
5	Belwood	J. C. Wright	1878	1887	C.C.B.N.A.		1	200	200	220	3	1					27	40	67	4		1	14	80	60			
6	Bowmanville	W. H. Warriner, B.D.	1878	1882	C.C.B.N.A.		1	240	240	250	4	2	1	8		3	13	45	58		6	1	11	90	75		5	5
7	Brantford	Geo. Fuller	1883	1883	C.C.B.N.A.		1	275	275	500	11			5		1	62	113	175	5		1	24	240	205			
8	Burford	Wm. Hay	1848	1854	C.C.B.N.A.	1	2	120	120	300	4						37	42	79	4		2	15	160	100			
9	Bolton	No Report																										
10	Canifton	A. W. Main	1882	1887	Bangor Theol. Sem		1	75	75	79	13	7					5	15	20	20		1	7	50	40			
11	Churchill	A. W. Richardson, B.A.	1884	1884	C.C.B.N.A.		1	80	80	125	1				1				51			1	1	20	20			
12	Cobourg	Robert Aylward	1885	1887	New Coll., Lon., Eng.		1	200	200	300	3	3	1	2			30	66	96	3		1	18	140	95	1	6	7
13	Coldsprings	Student J. Swanson			C.C.B.N.A.	1	2	220	160	350			2		1	28	45	51	96		31	1	6	55	35			
14	Dalston	Vacant																										
15	Edgeworth	E. J. Burgess	1887	1886	Bangor Theol. Sem.	1	2	35	30	110			1	1		23	23	21	44		2	1	4	40	15			
16	Edgar	Vacant					1	180	180	300			1				45	84	129		1	1	10	90	52			
17	Embro	E. D. Silcox	1873	1881	C.C.B.N.A.	3	1	300	300	500																		
18	Forest	James White		1888		1	3					2	2	2					46		2	1	6	90				
19	Forest (Lake Shore)	James White		1888			3										19	29	48			1						
20	Fergus	Chas. S. Pedley, B.A.	1880	1886	McGill, various		1	65	65	50	2	7					13	26	39	2		1	3	20	16		2	2
21	Frome	W. H. A. Claris	1872	1885	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	175	95	150	2	7					27	51	78	9		1	13	84	60	1	3	4
22	Garafraxa	J. C. Wright	1878	1887	C.C.B.N.A.		1	175	200	350	8	2		6		10	41	54	95		6	1	8	80	75		3	3
23	Georgetown	Vacant					1	125	125	300	20	2	2	5		3			119	12		1	6	95	60		5	5
24	Guelph	Duncan McGregor, B.A.	1872	1879	C.C.B.N.A.		1	300	300	500	23	6	1	4		6	62	141	203	18		2	31	250	210	1	3	4
25	Hamilton	John Morton	1869	1882	Glasgow Union		1	240	240	485	11	4	1	3		1	84	128	212	8		1	28	218	146			
26	Hawkesbury	Vacant					2	49	60	190	1	0	1	2			10	11	21		2	2	7	45	43			
27	Howick First	M. J. Totten		1885			1	125	125	200	3	1					23	28	51	4		1	18	107	80		2	2
28	Howick Second	M. J. Totten		1885			1		70	125									25			1	10	80	40			
29	Humber Summit	W. F. Wilmot	1884	1887	Private		1	70	70	160	8		1	1		2	28	46	74	4		1	9	65	48	1		1
30	Kelvin	James Webb	1868	1887	Cotton End, Eng												4	12	16		5	1	6	32	22			
31	Kincardine	Charles L. Ross	1858	1883	Halifax Free Ch. Col.	1	1	200	350	400	3		2				20	0	50	1		1	8	60	45	2	12	14
32	Kingston First	Sam'l N. Jackson, M.D.	1866	1877	C.C.B.N.A.		1	250	250	500	31	10	2	6	1	2	45	104	149	30		1	27	180	123	1	13	14
							1	150	150	650	8	5	1	4		7	42	68	110	1								

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17	Embro	E. D. Silcox	1873	1881	C.C.B.N.A.																							
18	Forest	James White		1888		1	3						2	2	2								1					
19	Forest (Lake Shore)	James White		1888			3										19	29	48				1					
20	Fergus	Chas. S. Pedley, B.A.	1880	1886	McGill, various		1	65	65	50	2	7					13	26	39	2		1	3	20	16		2	2
21	Frome	W. H. A. Claris	1872	1885	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	175	95	150	2	7					27	51	78	9		1	13	84	60	1	3	4
22	Garafraxa	J. C. Wright	1878	1887	C.C.B.N.A.		1	175	206	350	8	2		6		10	41	54	95		6	1	8	80	75		3	3
23	Georgetown	Vacant					1	125	125	300	20	2	2	5		3			119	12		1	6	95	60		5	5
24	Guelph	Duncan McGregor, B.A.	1872	1879	C.C.B.N.A.		1	300	300	500	23	6	1	4		6	62	141	203	18		2	31	250	210	1	3	4
25	Hamilton	John Morton	1869	1882	Glasgow Union		1	240	240	485	11	4	1	3		1	84	128	212	8		1	28	218	146			
26	Hawkesbury	Vacant					2	49	60	190	1	0	1	2			10	11	21		2	2	7	45	43			
27	Howick First	M. J. Totten		1885			1	125	125	200	3	1					23	28	51	4		1	18	107	80		2	2
28	Howick Second	M. J. Totten		1885			1		70	125									25			1	10	80	40			
29	Humber Summit	W. F. Wilmot	1884	1887	Private		1	70	70	160	8		1	1		2	28	46	74	4		1	9	65	48	1		1
30	Kelvin	James Webb	1868	1887	Cotton End, Eng												4	12	16		5	1	6	32	22			
31	Kincardine	Charles L. Ross	1858	1883	Halifax Free Ch. Col.	1	1	200	350	400	3		2				20	6	50	1		1	8	60	45	2	12	14
32	Kingston First	Sam'l N. Jackson, M.D.	1866	1877	C.C.B.N.A.		1	250	250	500	31	10	2	6	1	2	45	104	149	30		1	27	180	123	1	13	14
33	Kingston, Bethel	A. L. Macfadyen, B.A.	1879	1883	C.C.B.N.A.		1	150	150	650	8	5	1	4		7	42	68	110	1								
34	Lanark	B. W. Day	1862	1880	C.C.B.N.A.		1	175	175	350	12	1	1	3		7	41	72	113	4		1	12	96	67	1	5	6
35	Listowel	Vacant					1	90	90	250			1	3		6	31	53	84		10	1	13	85	57		2	2
36	London	H. D. Hunter, M.A.	1873	1881			1	500	500	600	12	3	4	12		25	80	150	230		26	1	32	250	200	7	23	30
37	Manilla	T. W. Bowen	1887	1887	King's College		2	300		500	3	1	2	2		9	8	30	38		9	1					1	1
38	Martintown	Daniel Macallum	1853	1873	C.C.B.N.A.		1	60	60	60							17	15	32								3	3
39	Maxville and St. Elmo	Daniel Macallum	1853	1873	C.C.B.N.A.	1	2	200	150	360				3			64	67	131		3	3	16	80	70		7	7
40	Middleville, Lanark	E. C. W. MacColl, B.A.	1868	1882	Queen's College	2	3	200	100	252	8		1			26	36	58	94		19	2	9	80	60	3	5	8
41	Newmarket	[First Supplied			C.C.B.N.A.		1	50	50	25						2	9	11										
42	New Durham	James Webb	1868	1887	Cotton End, Eng.		1	160	160	150	4	4		2		1	21	29	50	5		1	10	32	18			
43	North Erin	No Report																										
44	Ottawa	John Wood	1853	1877	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	200	160	280	49	7	2	6	1		52	94	146	47		1	14	100	90	4	6	10
45	Owen Sound	No Report																										
46	Parkdale	Charles Duff, M.A.	1862	1883	C.C.B.N.A.		1		50	150	11	4		3			25	27	52			1	9	100	50		2	2
47	Paris	Jos. K. Unsworth, B.A.	1887	1887	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1		125	250	4	5	1	1		25	30	60	90		18	1	12	85	85	1	4	5
48	Pine Grove	W. F. Wilmot	1884	1887	Private		1	65	65	140	6		1	3			15	26	41	2		1				1	1	2
49	Rugby	Vacant						320	180	300						1	15	47	62		5	1	4	35	25		3	3
50	Sarnia	R. K. Black	1852	1887	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	70	90	120	4	9	1			7	13	27	40	5		1	10	70	50	1	6	7
51	Saugeen (Indian)	Thomas Bigcanoe	1887	1887	Common School	3	3	100	75	100	5		7		6		40	20	60		8	1	3	30	26		5	5
52	South Caledon	A. W. Richardson, B.A.	1884	1884	C.C.B.N.A.		2	50	50	100	5								27	5		1	9	65	39	1	1	2
53	Scotland	William Hay	1848	1847	C.C.B.N.A.	1	2	150	160	400	2			1			64	85	149	1		2	15	120	75	2	2	4
54	Speedside	Charles S. Pedley, B.A.	1880	1886	C.C.B.N.A.		1	80	80	175	1	2		4			16	30	46	1		1	10	40	30		1	1
55	Stouffville	Joseph Unsworth	1853	1883	Private		1	130	130	170	5	1	4	1			39	81	120	1		1	11	110	85	2	2	4
56	St. Thomas	Wm. F. Clarke	1844	1887	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	50	50	150	1		1				13	13	26			1	10	75	50		5	5
57	St. Catharines	Joseph Colclough	1873	1886	Nottingham Col. Eng.	1	1	50	50	200		3		2			25	36	61	1		2	12	155	110		2	2
58	Stratford	John P. Gerrie, B.A.	1888	1888	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	350	350	250	1		1	1			20	40	60		1	1	9	85	65		3	3
59	Shedden	W. H. A. Claris	1872	1885	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	95	95	100							12	8	20									
60	Tilbury, Northern	Vacant				1	2	30	30								8	10	18			1	4	28	18			
61	Toronto, Zion	Vacant					1	300	300	450	1	2	2	9			47	73	120		8	1	22	150	100		2	2
62	Toronto, Bond St.	Joseph Wild, D.D.	1857	1880	Boston Theo. Inst.		1	1700	1700	1610	97	5	9	9			327	398	725	84		2					280	280
63	Toronto, Northern	John Burton, B.D.	1878	1881	C.C.B.N.A.		1	300	300	500	13	14							207			1	40	350	275			
64	Toronto, Western	A. F. McGregor, B.A.	1878	1881	C.C.B.N.A.	1	1	200	200	300	11	6		14		38	42	91	133		35	1	26	269	204	1	13	14
65	Toronto, Hazelt'n Av.	George Robertson, B.A.	1882	1887	C.C.B.N.A.		1	200	200	300	12	14		2		22			153	2		1	28	190	170	1	7	8
66	Toronto, Mount Zion	Enoch Barker	1855	1883	C.C.B.N.A.		1	150	150	160	9	6	1	2			25	35	60	12		1	30	291	223		3	3
67	Turnberry	M. J. Totten		1885			1		100	200	6				5		9	21	30	6		1	9	40	35			
68	Unionville	W. F. Wilmot	1884	1884	Private		1	65	65	125	2		1			9	20	27	47		8	1	8	60	45	1	2	3
69	Vankleek Hill	Vacant					1	45	45	130		3		1			6	17	23		2							
70	Vespra	Vacant					1	75	75	100																		
71	Warwick, Ebenezer	R. Hay	1859	1882	C.C.B.N.A.		1	90	90	100	2		2				13	20	33			1	5	40	30	1	1	2
72	Warwick, Zion	R. Hay	1859	1882	C.C.B.N.A.		1	200	200	240							33	45	78	11		1	8	73	60		3	3
73	Watford	R. Hay	1859	1882	C.C.B.N.A.		3	100	150	200	1	2	1	3			18	29	47		1	1	9	100	80		6	6
74	Whitby	No Report																										
75	Wiarton	Charles E. Bolton	1882	1883	C.C.B.N.A.	1	2	225	150	225	12	3	1	6	2		38	40	78	6		1	9	88	56			
76	Wingham	Robert Ward, LL.D.	1872	1887	Kings and Trinity		1		100	150	3	3	1	3			20	37	57	3							4	4
77	Woodstock	Wm. Cuthbertson, B.A.	1853	1885	Spring Hill Col., Eng.		1		250	300	8	5	2	1			37	56	93	10		1	15	134	97		14	14

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No.	Names of Churches.	Names of Ministers.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Present Settlement.	Where Trained.	Religious Services.					Church Membership.											S. Schools.				Baptisms.		
						Stations not Churches.	No. of Preaching Stations on Lord's Day.	Average Attendance in all Sabbath Services.	Average Attendance at Principal Station.	Total Under Pastoral Care, Children Included.	By Profession.	By Letter.	Removals. By Death.	Removals. By Letter.	Removals. By Discipline.	Removals. Dropped on Revision.	Remaining. Males.	Remaining. Females.	Remaining. Total	Increase	Decrease.	Relative.	No. of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Adult.	Infant.	Total.
	Additions.																											
1	2	3	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
1	Brigham	A. P. Solandt, B.A.			C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	90	90	175	2	...	3	...	...	13	10	18	28	...	14	1	5	50	35	2	6	8
2	Belle Riviere	No Report																										
3	Cowansville	W. Lee. Stu. supply			C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	75	75	300	2	5	2	2	...	...	35	46	81	3	...	1	15	92	60	...	2	2
4	Danville	J. G. Sanderson	1862	1879	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	200	200	400	...	...	2	2	...	...	51	75	126	...	4	1	12	175	80	1	1	2
5	Durham	Geo. F. Brown	1887	1887	Private	..	1	75	75	275	1	...	...	2	...	...	21	26	48	...	1	1	5	40	35	3	...	3
6	Eaton	Geo. Skinner	1882	1884	C. C. of B. N. A.	2	2	185	75	400	7	2	...	2	...	...	16	40	56	7	...	2	13	80	65	3	5	8
7	Fitch Bay	L. P. Adams	1840	1854	Private	4	5	170	60	300	3	...	1	...	...	...	31	48	79	2	...	2	10	50	40	2	2	4
8	Franklin Centre	Joseph Dixon	1887	1886	Private	..	1	200	200	144	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	58	4	...	1	4	...	35		3	3
9	Granby	J. I. Hindley, M.A.	1869	1886	C. C. of B. N. A.	1	2	350	00	500	18	1	1	5	...	...	65	104	169	13	...	2	15	100	105	3	6	9
10	Inverness	No Report																										
11	Melbourne	Geo. F. Brown	1887	1887	Private	..	2	125	125	300	4	2	...	2	...	...	31	45	76	4	...	1	12	100	60	...	2	2
12	Montreal, Zion	Prof. K. M. Fenwick	...	1886	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	140	140	130	1	...	4	3	...	26	25	42	67	...	32	1	11	47	50	1	15	16
13	Montreal, Emmanuel	F. H. Marling	1848	1887	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	320	...	550	8	31	4	12	...	2	96	147	243	21	...	1	23	171	155	...	...	...
14	Montreal, Calvary	E. M. Hill, M.A.	1883	1883	Beloit and Yale	..	1	360	360	565	17	12	1	8	...	6	...	...	219	14	...	1	24	200	130	1	10	11
15	Quebec	No Report																										
16	Rock Isl'd&Stanstead	Geo. H. Dunlap	1886	1886	Bangor Theo. Sem	..	1	100	100	203	...	...	...	...	...	...	38	25	63	...	...	1	10	75	55	...	...	...
17	St. Andrews	J. McAdie	1887	1887	C. C. of B. N. A.	2	2	100	70	85	24	...	...	...	...	...	18	15	33	24	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
18	Sherbrooke and Lennoxville	H. E. Barnes, D.D	...	1888	Yale and Chicago	1	1	300	300	650	6	11	1	10	...	...	69	128	197	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2
19	Waterville	Geo. Purkis	1867	1867	Private	1	2	220	100	390	...	...	4	...	8	...	29	35	64	...	12	1	6	40	30	...	11	11
	Totals					11	25	3010	2170	5364	93	69	20	52	...	55	535	794	1607	98	63	17	165	1220	935	16	65	81

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1	2	3	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
1	Baddeck	Student Supply	....	....	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	80	80	30	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	11	14	1	3	1	3	29	15	..	..	..
2	Brooklyn	S. Sykes	1864	1880	Private	..	..	200	120	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	57	72	129	..	..	1	10	80	60	..	..	..	..
3	Beach Meadows	S. Sykes	1864	1880	Private	..	1	100	100	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	12	20	32	..	..	1	5	50	40	1	4	5
4	Chebogue	W. H. Watson	1884	1883	Private	..	1	100	125	200	..	..	2	1	..	8	14	42	56	..	8	1	9	59	40	..	..	..
5	Cornwallis	H. Goddard	1871	1888	Regent's Park Coll	..	..	250	130	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	30	49	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6	Economy	Supply	....	....	C. C. of B. N. A.	1	2	200	175	400	..	..	2	1	..	14	40	65	100	..	17	1	4	40	35	..	..	..
7	Keswick Ridge	J. B. Hawes	1875	1886	Bangor	7	8	500	100	450	..	..	..	..	..	..	31	71	102	..	2	2	12	100	90	2	2	4
8	Lower Selmah	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	..	1	60	60	150	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	20	33	..	..	1	5	35	30	..	..	..
9	Liverpool	S. Sykes	1864	1880	Private	..	1	90	90	250	1	1	1	..	..	..	13	30	43	..	..	1	8	50	40	1	..	1
10	Maitland	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	2	2	200	120	40	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	7	11	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11	Manchester	Student Supply	....	....	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	2	150	150	200	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	7	..	..	1	6	..	40	..	..	..
12	Margaree	Vacant	....	....	....	..	1	120	120	260	..	..	2	1	..	..	49	35	84	..	3	1	9	80	50	..	5	5
13	Milton	Vacant	....	....	....	..	1	50	50	90	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	30	36	..	..	1	8	40	30	..	..	..
14	Noel	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	1	2	150	100	60	1	..	2	1	..	..	20	31	51	2	2	1	4	40	30	..	..	..
15	Ohio	W. Peacock	1875	1881	Bangor	..	1	75	150	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	19	24	43	..	..	1	6	50	30	..	9	9
16	Pleasant River	W. Peacock	1875	1881	Bangor	2	3	100	150	500	4	..	..	..	..	..	20	29	49	..	..	2	12	70	50	2	1	3
17	South Maitland	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	1	1	100	100	60	1	..	..	..	..	..	20	47	66	1	..	1	4	35	30	..	..	..
18	Sheffield	J. Barker	1876	1876	Bangor	3	2	150	50	60	..	..	1	..	..	..	23	31	54	..	1	1	4	16	13	..	..	..
19	St. John	J. B. Saer, B.D	1881	1884	Yale & C C. of B.N.A.	1	1	120	120	200	6	3	4	1	..	26	49	76	125	..	22	1	11	90	65	2	4	6
20	Yarmouth	W. Mackintosh	1874	1883	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	150	150	400	3	2	2	5	..	2	45	69	114	..	4	1	13	135	110	1	2	3
	Totals					18	32	1995	2240	2100	21	6	16	11		51	461	738	1199	5	62	20	133	993	798	9	27	36

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No.	Names of Churches	Names of Ministers	Date of Ordination	Date of Present Settlement	Where Trained	Religious Services. Stations not Churches	No of Preaching Stations on Lord's Day	Average Attendance at all Services	Average Attendance at Principal Station	Total Under Pastoral Care, Children Included	Church Membership. Additions. By Profession	By Letter	By Death	Removals. By Letter	By Discipline	Dropped on Revision	Remaining. Males	Females	Total	Relative Increase	Relative Decrease	S. Schools. No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Scholars on Roll	Average Attendance	Baptisms. Adult	Infant	Total
1	2	3	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
1	Baddeck	Student Supply	....	....	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	80	80	30	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	11	14	1	3	1	3	29	15	..	..	..
2	Brooklyn	S. Sykes	1864	1880	Private	..	..	200	120	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	57	72	129	..	..	1	10	80	60	..	..	..
3	Beach Meadows	S. Sykes	1864	1880	Private	..	1	100	100	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	12	20	32	..	..	1	5	50	40	1	4	5
4	Chebogue	W. H. Watson	1884	1883	Private	..	1	100	125	200	..	..	2	1	..	8	14	42	56	..	8	1	9	59	40	..	..	..
5	Cornwallis	H. Goddard	1871	1888	Regent's Park Coll	..	..	250	130	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	30	49	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6	Economy	Supply	....	....	C. C. of B. N. A.	1	2	200	175	400	..	..	2	1	..	14	40	65	100	..	17	1	4	40	35	..	..	..
7	Keswick Ridge	J. B. Hawes	1875	1886	Bangor	7	8	500	100	450	..	..	..	..	..	..	31	71	102	..	2	2	12	100	90	2	2	4
8	Lower Selmah	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	..	1	60	60	150	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	20	33	..	..	1	5	35	30	..	..	..
9	Liverpool	S. Sykes	1864	1880	Private	..	1	90	90	250	1	1	1	..	..	..	13	30	43	..	..	1	8	50	40	1	..	1
10	Maitland	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	2	2	200	120	40	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	7	11	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
11	Manchester	Student Supply	....	....	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	2	150	150	200	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	3	7	..	..	1	6	..	40	..	..	..
12	Margaree	Vacant	....	....	....	..	1	120	120	260	..	..	2	1	..	..	49	35	84	..	3	1	9	80	50	..	5	5
13	Milton	Vacant	....	....	....	..	1	50	50	90	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	30	36	..	..	1	8	40	30	..	..	..
14	Noel	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	1	2	150	100	60	1	..	2	1	..	..	20	31	51	2	2	1	4	40	30	..	..	..
15	Ohio	W. Peacock	1875	1881	Bangor	..	1	75	150	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	19	24	43	..	..	1	6	50	30	..	9	9
16	Pleasant River	W. Peacock	1875	1881	Bangor	2	3	100	150	500	4	..	..	..	..	..	20	29	49	..	..	2	12	70	50	2	1	3
17	South Maitland	J. Shipperley	1871	1887	Private	1	1	100	100	60	1	..	..	..	..	..	20	47	66	1	..	1	4	35	30	..	..	..
18	Sheffield	J. Barker	1876	1876	Bangor	3	2	150	50	60	..	..	1	..	..	..	23	31	54	..	1	1	4	16	13	..	..	..
19	St. John	J. B. Saer, B.D	1881	1884	Yale & C C. of B.N.A.	1	1	120	120	200	6	3	4	1	..	26	49	76	125	..	22	1	11	90	65	2	4	6
20	Yarmouth	W. Mackintosh	1874	1883	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	150	150	400	3	2	2	5	..	2	45	69	114	..	4	1	13	135	110	1	2	3
	Totals					18	32	1995	2240	2100	21	6	16	11		51	461	738	1199	5	62	20	133	993	798	9	27	36

MANITOBA AND NORTH WEST—TABLE No. 1.

No.	Names of Churches.	Names of Ministers.	Date of Ordination.	Date of Present Settlement.	Where Trained.	Religious Services.				Church Membership.										S. Schools.			Baptisms.		
						Stations not Churches.	No. of Preaching Stations on Lord's Day.	Average Attendance in all Sabbath Services.	Average Attendance at Principal Station.	Total Under Pastoral Care, Children Included.	By Profession.	By Letter.	By Death.	By Letter.	By Discipline.	Dropped on Revision.	Removals. Males.	Removals. Female.	Removals. Total.	Remaining. Increase.	Remaining. Decrease.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars on Roll.	Average Attendance.	Adult.	Infant.	Total.
1	2	3	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
1	Portage la Prairie, Pilgrim Church	A. W. Gerrie	1885	1887	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	1	25	25	35	5	7	...	...	...	...	5	7	12	12	...	1	5	23	18	..	...	...
2	Winnipeg, Central Congregational	Hugh Pedley	1877	1888	C. C. of B. N. A.	1	1	1000	1000	1500	113	81	3	13	...	...	88	129	217	178	...	1	27	200	175	...	...	...
3	Wood Bay	John MacKinnon	1883	1886	C. C. of B. N. A.	3	3	100	50	200	2	1	...	...	...	...	11	10	21	3	...	2	4	70	50	...	1	1
4	Vancouver	James W. Pedley	1885	1888	C. C. of B. N. A.	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Totals for Manitoba					4	5	1125	1075	1735	120	89	3	13	...	...	104	146	250	192	...	4	36	293	243	...	1	1
	Totals for Quebec					11	25	3010	5364	93	93	69	20	52	...	55	535	794	1607	98	63	17	165	1220	935	16	65	81
	Totals for Ontario					31	87	11164	9150	18078	412	170	71	150	13	276	2088	3308	6014	366	208	71	747	6121	4337	38	494	532
	Totals for Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba					46	117	15299	15589	19906	625	328	94	215	13	331	2727	4248	7871	657	271	92	948	7634	5515	54	560	614

QUEBEC—TABLE No. 2.

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No.	Churches.	Church Property.													Church Finances.										
	Names.	Date of Organization.	No. of Church Edifices.	Material of Church Edifices.	No. of Sittings.	Registered.	Insured.	Parsonages	Registered.	Insured.	Value of Church Edifices.	Value of Parsonages.	Total Value of Church Property.	Amount of Debt on Church Property.	Local Church Objects.	Union.	Canada Cong. Missionary Society.	College of B. N. A.	Foreign Indian and French Missions.	Other Denominational Objects.	General Benevolent Purposes.	Total Amount Raised for All Purposes.	Increase.	Decrease.	Amount of Missionary Grant.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
1	Brigham	1873	1	Brick	200	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	4000	1200	5200	None.	289	....	14	55	4	....	....	363	4	....	None
2	Belle Riviere	....	..	No Report	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	Cowansville	1855	1	Brick	160	Yes	Yes	....	....	....	2000	....	2000	None.	766	....	114	....	12	....	....	893	....	452	None
4	Danville	1832	1	Brick	350	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	9000	2000	11000	None.	1000	10	100	50	40	50	40	1290	....	12	None
5	Durham	1837	1	Frame	250	Yes	Yes	None	....	....	1600	....	1600	None.	382	2	15	1	4	....	....	414	30	....	None
6	Eaton	1835	1	Wood	300	Yes	Yes	None	....	....	1800	....	1800	None.	536	8	35	15	10	....	11	617	83	....	100
7	Fitch Bay	1854	1	Wood	300	Yes	....	....	....	....	2000	....	2000	....	250	5	41	15	....	25	20	356	....	40	100
8	Franklin Centre	1842	1	Stone	250	....	No	Wood	Yes	Yes	1000	600	1600	None.	375	....	18	12	10	4	10	430	....	74	75
9	Granby	1830	1	Brick	350	Yes	Yes	Wood	Yes	Yes	10000	2500	12500	450	2350	16	62	72	19	....	....	2510	1325	....	None
10	Inverness	....	..	No Report	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
11	Melbourne	1837	1	Wood	250	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	1000	2000	3000	None.	650	5	39	20	20	....	....	784	65	....	None
12	Montreal, Zion	1832	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	880	10	....	....	....	....	7	897	....	....	None
13	Montreal, Emmanuel	1875	1	Stone	750	Yes	Yes	None	....	....	62500	....	62500	19000	8916	50	306	785	145	376	100	11599	....	958	None
14	Montreal, Calvary	1874	1	Brick	500	Yes	Yes	None	....	....	20000	....	20000	5000	2637	12	78	133	510	....	100	3470	352	....	None
15	Quebec	....	..	No Report	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
16	Rock Island & Stanstead	1818	1	Wood	250	Yes	Yes	Wood	Yes	Yes	5000	2500	7500	None.	1200	....	30	....	....	....	....	1200	....	....	None
17	St. Andrews	1838	1	Brick	230	Yes	No	None	....	....	2400	....	2400	None.	328	....	12	17	....	....	....	357	121	....	None
18	Sherbrooke & Lennoxville	1835	1	Brick	400	Yes	Yes	Wood	....	Yes	10000	4500	14500	452	3664	10	119	46	59	65	....	3950	1636	....	None
19	Waterville	1862	1	Wood	200	Yes	Yes	Wood	Yes	Yes	2000	800	2800	....	493	11	48	10	36	6	29	633	....	40	100
Totals		....	15	....	4740	....	....	....	....	....	134300	16100	150400	24902	24716	139	1031	1231	860	526	317	29763	3616	1576	375

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No.	Church. Names.	Date of Organization.	No. of Church Edifices.	Church Property. Material of Church Edifices.	Number of Sittings.	Registered.	Insured.	Parsonage.	Registered.	Insured.	Value of Church Edifices.	Value of Parsonages.	Total Value of Church Property.	Amount of Debt on Church Property.	Church Finances. Local Church Objects.	Union.	Canada Cong. Missionary Society.	College of B. N. A.	Foreign Indian and French Missions.	Other Denominational Objects.	General Benevolent Purposes.	Total Amount Raised for all Purposes.	Increase.	Decrease.	Amount of Missionary Grant.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
1	Alton		1	No Report																					
2	Barrie	1882	1	Brick	240	Yes	Yes	None			5000		5000	1500	777	5	20	10	11		7	832	106		200
3	Brockville			No Report																					
4	Bowmanville	1839	1	Brick	250	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	8000	2850	10800	600	1207	5	24	25	6		10	1277	47		100
5	Brantford	1834	1	Brick	500	Yes	Yes	None			10000		10000	None.	2100	15	180	170	175	36		2676	114		None.
6	Burford	1835	1	Wood	300						3000		3000	None.	595		54	25				674		94	
7	Belleville	1859	1	Wood	250	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	2000	1300	3300	1925	900	2	27	5			15	947	330		400
8	Bolton			No Report																					
9	Canifton	1887	1	Brick	250	Yes	Yes	None			1500		1500	550	200							200			None.
10	Churchill	1834	1	Frame	150	Yes					1500		1500	None.	150	2	10					162	12		75
11	Cobourg	1835	1	Brick	360	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	8500	1200	9700	2500	999	9	95	40	32	600	50	1827	553		None.
12	Coldsprings	1840	1	Brick	200	Yes	Yes	None			2800		2800	None.	400	6	52		16		10	484		57	None.
13	Dalston	1884	1	Brick	200	Yes					1500		1500	350	140				6			146		166	None.
14	Belwood (Douglas)	1868	1	Brick	220	Yes	Yes	None			1800		1800	50	312	5	15	20	8			360	27		None.
15	Edgworth	1861	1	Log	75						200		200	None.	158	2	8			10		178			None.
16	Edgar	1841	1	Frame	250	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	1200	1200	2400	75	400	4					310	754	166		None.
17	Embro	1872	1	Brick	500	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	5000	2200	7200	None.	1206	12	23	20	37	8		1306			None.
18	Forest (Lake Shore)	1884	1	Brick	200	Yes	Yes	None			1600		1600	450	200							200			
19	Forest		1	Brick	250	Yes	Yes	Frame	Yes	Yes	3500	800	4300	1400	589	11	25	20	15			670	20		None.
20	Fergus	1884	1	Frame	230	Yes	Yes	None			800		800		300		26	6	14		10	357			None.
21	Frome	1819	1	Wood	200	Yes	Yes	Wood		Yes	300	900	1200	None.	250	2		18	5	100		375			None.
22	Garafraxa	1856	1	Brick	220	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	1800	2000	3800	500	733	4	7	17	24		8	375	300		None.
23	Georgetown	1842	1	Stone	250	Yes	Yes	None			10000		10000	None.	1600						100	1700		360	None.
24	Guelph	1835	1	Stone	500	Yes	Yes				13000		13000	None.	1656	10	70	65	66	29	115	2013		243	None.
25	Hamilton	1835	1	Brick	475	Yes	Yes	None			12000		12000	None.	2395	15	190				179	3358		89	None.
26	Hawkesbury	1884	1	Wood	200	No	No	None			1000		1000	None.	100	5	22	3				130			None.
27	Howick, First	1861	1	Brick	200	Yes	Yes	None			1200		1200	None.	200							200			None.
28	Howick, Second	1860	1	Frame	150	Yes	No	None			400		400	None.	120							186			None.
29	Humber Summit	1859	1	Rough-east	200	Yes	Yes	None			800		800	None.	262		28	10	51		1	353	24		

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
30	Kelvin	1854	1	Brick	150	Yes	Yes	None			1600		1600	400	127	2	8					136	20		
		1858	1	Wood	400	Yes	Yes	Wood	Yes	Yes	1000	800	1800	600	534	6	34	19	10		10	667		79	150
						Yes	Yes	None			30000		30000	None.	2679	21	160	135	35	266	184	3483	211		None
													8000	None.	1149		26	50	21		20	1277		3	None
																						978	2		None

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
20	Fergus																								
21	Frome	1819	1	Wood	200	Yes	Yes	Wood																	
22	Garafraxa	1856	1	Brick	220	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	1800	2000	3800	500	733	4						100	1700		360	None.
23	Georgetown	1842	1	Stone.	250	Yes	Yes	None			10000		10000	None.	1600							100	1700		360	None.
24	Guelph	1835	1	Stone.	500	Yes	Yes				13000		13000	None.	1656	10	70	65	66	29	115	2013		243	None.
25	Hamilton	1835	1	Brick	475	Yes	Yes	None.			12000		12000	None.	2395	15	190				179	3358		89	None.
26	Hawkesbury	1884	1	Wood	200	No	No	None			1000		1000	None.	100	5	22	3				130			None.
27	Howick, First	1861	1	Brick	200	Yes	Yes	None			1200		1200	None.	200							200			None.
28	Howick, Second	1860	1	Frame	150	Yes	No	None			400		400	None.	120							186			None.
29	Humber Summit	1859	1	Rough-east.	200	Yes	Yes	None			800		800	None.	262		28	10	51		1	353	24		
30	Kelvin	1854	1	Brick	150	Yes	Yes	None			1600		1600	400	127	2	8					136	20		
31	Kincardine	1858	1	Wood	400	Yes	Yes	Wood	Yes	Yes	1000	800	1800	600	534	6	34	19	10		10	667		79	150
32	Kingston First	1849	1	Stone.	400	Yes	Yes	None			30000		30000	None.	2679	21	160	135	35	266	184	3483	211		None.
33	Kingston Bethel		1	Brick	400	Yes	Yes	None			8000		8000	None.	1149		26	50	21		20	1277		3	None.
34	Lanark	1853	1	Wood	350	Yes	Yes	Wood	Yes	Yes	5060	1200	6200	None.	740	6	110	43	62	16		978	2		None.
35	Listowel	1857	1	Brick	350	Yes	Yes	None			6000		6000	1200	1155	5	28		13		15	1216	386		None.
36	London		1	Brick	900	Yes	Yes	None			30000		30000	8000	3500	20	109	30	13	16	30	3723		704	
37	Manilla	1845	2	Brick	600	Yes	Yes	None			800		800	None.	50							500	53		200
38	Martintown	1839	1	Brick	150	Yes		None			600		600	None.	236	5	35	8	40		20	343	80		None.
39	Maxville and St. Elmo	1839	2	Frame & Log	400	Yes		Frame	Yes	Yes	2000	2000	4000	400	1000	8	94	25	160	60	25	1372	561		None.
40	Middleville, Lanark 1st	1853	2	Stone & Frame	400	Yes	No	Frame	Yes	No	4300	800	5100		500	11	43	20	10		25	609	21		100
41	Newmarket	1842	1	Brick	250	Yes	Yes	None			300		3000	None.	300	5						305			
42	New Durham	1853	1	Brick	200	Yes	Yes	None			3000		3000	None.	1029	8	26			5	5	1073	347		100
43	North Erin		1	No Report																					None.
44	Ottawa	1860	1	Brick & Stone.	500	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	9000	2500	11500	200	2473	15	137	51	25	13	25	2739	497		None.
45	Owen Sound			No Report																					
46	Parkdale	1883	1	Brick	275	Yes	Yes	None			3500		3560		436	6	6	2	8		5	460			200
47	Paris	1848	1	Brick	500	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	15000	5000	20000	700	820	5	12	68	64			969		57	None.
48	Pine Grove	1840	1	Brick	300	Yes	No	Frame	Yes	Yes	2500	1000	3500	None.	422	6	34	20	17			499		40	None.
49	Rugby	1844	1	Frame	200	Yes	Yes	None			1000		1000	None.	260	2	24	6	10		15	320		60	None.
50	Sarnia	1872	1	Brick	35	Yes	Yes	None			6000		6000	2200	882	10	23	20	10	17		952	302		400
51	Saugeen (Indian)	1858	1	Wood	150	No	No	None			300		300	None.	68							68			150
52	South Caledon	1837	1	Frame	175			Frame	No	No	700	400	1100	None.	245	2	12		48			299	44		75
53	Scotland	1835	1	Wood	250	Yes	Yes	None			3000		3000	None.	558	5	48	8	20	4	20	664		32	None.
54	Speedside	1845	1	Stone	400	Yes		R'-cast		Yes	2500	800	3300	None.	500	5	24	10				539		26	None.
55	Stouffville	1842	1	Brick	250	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	5000	1000	6000	200	1037	5	46	23	32	5		1148	134		None.
56	St. Thomas	1884	1	Brick	300	Yes	Yes	Wood	Yes	Yes	3000	1200	4200	2100	400	5	18			20		443	281		250
57	St. Catharines	1874	1	Wood	200	No	Yes				600	600	600	None.	573	5	35	40		4		657	77		300
58	Stratford	1840	1	Brick	400	No	Yes	Frame	Yes	Yes	13000	1560	14500	5000	450	6	12				10	1035		359	350
59	Shedden	1881	1	Brick	250			None			3000		3000	400	250	3	12			80	6	351	32		None.
60	Tilbury, Northern	1880	1	Wood	100			None			700		700	None.	40		4					44			None.
61	Toronto, Zion	1834	1	Brick	700	Yes	Yes	None			32000		32000	11000	3093	15	40	150	50	91	34	3474		4857	None.
62	Toronto, Bond St	1857	1	Stone	2000	Yes	Yes	None			65000		65000	25000	13814	25		255		656	263	15014	394		None.
63	Toronto, Northern	1868	1	Brick	650	Yes	Yes	None			22000		22000									5600	548		None.
64	Toronto, Western	1875	1	Brick	250	Yes	Yes	None			5000		5000	3300	2981	10	35	25	60		41	3153	1327		None.
65	Toronto, Hazelton Av	1877	1	Frame	250	Yes	Yes	None			5000		5000	None.	1437	10	80	56	75	13	52	1723	358		None.
66	Toronto, Mount Zion	1877	1	Wood	200	Yes	Yes	None			2000		2000	750	670	3	9	10	17		12	706		111	None.
67	Turnberry	1860	1	Frame	200	No	Yes				500		500	None.	200							200			None.
68	Unionville	1842	1	Brick	300	Yes	Yes	None			5000		5000	None.	550	3			2			505		178	None.
69	Vankleek Hill	1839	1	Brick	200	Yes	No	None			900		900	None.	294	3			4			302	80		None.
70	Vaspra	1867	1	Frame	150	Yes	Yes	None			600		600	None.	100		10					110	10		None.
71	Warwick, Ebenezer		1	Frame	200						300		300		200							200			
72	Warwick, Zion	1839	1	Brick	200	Yes	Yes	Frame	Yes	Yes	2000	1500	3500	None.	425	3	17					445		475	None.
73	Watford	1839	1	Frame	200	Yes	Yes	Frame	Yes	Yes	900	1600	2500	500	320	3						323	20		None.
74	Whitby			No Report																					
75	Wingham	1881	1	Brick	400	Yes	Yes	None			5000		5000	1600	786		27				8	821		147	300
76	Wiarton	1875	1	Wood	140	Yes	Yes	None			600		600	None.	563	6	52	25	12	13		671	189		150
77	Woodstock	1885	1	Stone	572	Yes	Yes	None			15000		15000	8000	4000	10	75	30	30	5	50	4200			None.

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1	Baddeck	1884	1	Wood...	150	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	1000	...	1000	250	150	5	5	5	7	...	...	172	...	...	40
2	Brooklyn	1809	1	Wood...	250	Yes	No	Wood...	Yes	No	400	400	800	None.	40	...	10	4	...	...	...	204	...	...	
3	Beach Meadows	1869	1	Wood...	180	Yes	No	...	...	...	600	...	650	None.	100	...	10	...	...	...	...	110	...	...	
4	Chebogue	1767	1	Wood...	250	Yes	Yes	Wood...	Yes	No	1000	2400	3400	None.	584	5	42	9	56	...	16	712	104	...	200
5	Cornwallis	1760	1	Wood...	300	Yes	No	Wood...	Yes	No	1000	750	1750	None.	200	...	...	...	...	No	Report		...	...	...
6	Economy	1877	1	Wood...	250	Yes	Yes	Wood...	Yes	No	3000	1500	4800	260	730	...	...	...	...	...	50	800	...	...	150
7	Keswick Ridge	1826	1	Wood...	300	Yes	Yes	Wood...	Yes	Yes	2000	1500	3500	None.	750	...	55	...	...	...	...	805	...	...	200
8	Lower Selmah	1875	1	Wood...	120	Yes	No	...	...	...	700	...	700	...	50	...	13	...	...	...	...	63	...	...	
9	Liverpool	1761	1	Wood...	400	Yes	Yes	Wood...	Yes	Yes	8000	900	8900	900	900	...	28	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	Maitland	1875	1	Wood...	150	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	1500	...	1500	500	80	4	9	...	...	...	...	95	...	...	...
11	Manchester	1874	1	Wood...	200	...	...	...	...	...	1000	...	...	...	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
12	Margaree	1822	1	Wood...	250	Yes	No	Wood...	Yes	No	1 00	1300	24 0	None.	40	4	7	...	...	...	4	55	...	150	30
13	Milton	1854	1	Wood...	410	Yes	No	Wood...	Yes	No	5000	1000	6000	None.	500	...	24	...	5	...	...	529	...	...	100
14	Noel	1875	1	Wood...	250	Yes	No	Wood...	Yes	No	2000	200	2200	800	130	5	19	...	...	...	9	163	72	...	...
15	Ohio	1877	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
16	Pleasant River	1846	2	Wood...	500	Yes	Yes	Wood...	Yes	Yes	1700	400	2100	...	300	3	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100
17	South Maitland	18.5	1	Wood...	100	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	1000	...	1000	...	80	.	12	...	...	...	20	112	...	...	...
18	Sheffield	1788	1	Wood...	300	...	Yes	Wood...	...	Yes	3000	1600	4600	...	6 0	8	48	...	19	...	4	117	...	12	...
19	St. John	1844	1	Brick ...	400	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	10000	...	10000	4200	2250	15	135	34	10	...	60	2504	530	...	283
20	Yarmouth	1848	1	Wood...	400	Yes	Yes	Wood...	Yes	Yes	20000	5000	25000	None.	2409	5	88	25	34	...	23	2583	57	...	
Totals			20		5160						63000	17950	80950	6870	9358	54	520	82	131	...	222	10367	1853	...	1103

16	Pleasant River	1840	2	Wood...																										
17	South Maitland	18.5	1	Wood...	100	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	1000	...	1000	...	20	8	48	...	19	...	4	117	...	12	...					
18	Sheffield	1788	1	Wood...	300	...	Yes	Wood...	...	Yes	3000	1600	4800	...	630	8	48	...	19	...	4	117	...	12	...					
19	St. John	1844	1	Brick ..	400	Yes	Yes	...	...	...	10000	...	10000	4200	2250	15	135	34	10	...	60	2504	530	...	283					
20	Yarmouth	1848	1	Wood...	400	Yes	Yes	Wood ..	Yes	Yes	20000	5000	25000	None	2409	5	88	25	34	...	23	2583	57	...	...					
Totals			20		5160						63900	17950	80950	6870	9358	54	520	82	131	...	222	10367	1853	...	1103					

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1	Portage la Prairie, Pilgrim Church	1888													220	...	20	...	...	...	...	240	240	...	800
3	Wiunipeg, Central Cong.	1887	1	Brick	1000	Yes	Yes	Brick	Yes	Yes	25000	3000	28000	18000	5953	...	...	150	...	...	135	6238	...	...	None
2	Wood Bay	1887						Wood			700	...	700	...	200	...	20	...	...	...	...	220	220	...	400
4	Vancouver	1888																							
Totals for Manitoba			1		1000	...	...	...	...	...	25700	3000	28700	18000	6373	...	40	150	...	...	135	6698	460	...	1200
Totals for Quebec			15		4740	...	...	...	...	...	134300	16100	150400	24902	24716	139	1031	1231	860	526	317	29763	3616	1576	375
Totals for Ontario			76		22982	...	...	...	...	...	439700	34300	474000	78450	70235	382	2351	1483	1214	1897	1690	84505	8077	8137	3400
Totals for Ontario, Quebec & Manitoba			92		28722	...	...	...	...	...	599700	53400	653100	121352	91324	521	3422	2864	2074	2423	2142	120966	12153	9713	4975

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ONTARIO, QUEBEC AND MANITOBA.

ONTARIO.

Name.	Teachers.	Scholars.		Libraries.	Finance.
		Average Attendance.	Total.	Volumes.	Money raised for all purposes
1 Alton	9	25	32	75	$ 33 85
2 Barrie	14	80	150	300	58 12
3 Belwood	14	60	80	235	32 15
4 Brantford	24	175	250	350	253 00
5 Bowmanville	11	75	90	189	40 14
6 Cobourg	10	100	127	700	9 89
7 Coldsprings	6	35	55	150	95 00
8 Dalston	6	22	30	50	10 00
9 Edgar	9	60	77	120	34 00
10 Forest	13	68	90	250	.....
11 Guelph	27	150	183	238	120 65
12 Mission	4	25	41	....	.....
13 Georgetown	7	60	75	560	42 00
14 Garafraxa	8	71	95	200	49 42
15 Hamilton	30	150	252	642	326 36
16 Howick, First	10	36	40	116	63 97
17 Kingston, First	27	123	180	....	112 25
18 Kingston, Bethel	25	160	170	450	25 00
19 Kelvin	5	23	42	100	15 00
20 Lanark	12	67	96	100	80 75
21 Maxville	9	50	60	....	12 00
22 New Durham	8	20	22	....	.....
23 Ottawa	14	90	114	250	165 50
24 Pine Grove	10	35	55	....	51 22
25 Paris	14	46	60	....	47 70
26 Speedside	9	30	40	200	7 50
27 St. Elmo	4	25	32	....	7 00
28 South Caledon	9	40	65	....	45 00
29 Sarnia	14	50	80	400	.....
30 Scotland	10	42	60	....	33 90
31 St. Catharines	11	80	93	200	20 00
32 St. Thomas	10	50	70	250	18 00
33 Stouffville	14	93	114	....	84 00
34 Toronto, Zion	26	104	150	300	217 67
35 Toronto, East	30	305	321	347	349 00
36 Torouto, West	27	204	253	575	401 60
37 Toronto, Bond St.	24	305	391	450	250 00
38 Toronto, Chestnut St. Mission	23	150	170	200	25 00
39 Toronto, Northern	37	260	284	250	420 00
40 Toronto, Hazelton Ave.	26	170	190	300	210 00
41 Woodstock	15	98	135	172	75 00
42 Wiarton	11	57	88	350	26 00
43 Woodbridge	9	48	65	100	36 80
44 Warwick, Zion	7	40	50	....	25 00
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STATISTICS OF CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

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QUEBEC.

	Name.	Teachers.	Scholars.		Libraries.	Finance.
			Average Attendance.	Total.	Volumes.	Finance.
	Calvary, Montreal	24	127	200	535	$227 75
2	Cowansville	10	90	110	....	125 00
3	Danville	12	75	165	....	105 75
4	Eaton	13	65	89	....	21 20
5	Emmanuel, Montreal	23	150	171	500	196 57
6	Granby	10	50	80	....	48 00
7	Melbourne	12	60	100	200	68 90
8	Zion, Montreal	11	40	47	900	50 00
		115	657	962	2135	$943 17

MANITOBA.

	Name.	Teachers.	Scholars.		Libraries.	Finance.
			Average Attendance.	Total.	Volumes.	Finance.
1	Woodbay	4	55	80	100	.....
2	Gowan	5	30	35	....	.....
3	Portage la Prairie	5	18	23	100	$ 20 00
4	Winnipeg	24	171	231	600	195 45
		38	274	369	800	$215 45

Finance.
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$ 33 85
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Rev. William Clarke, 1854.
" William F. Clarke, 1855.
" E. J. Sherrill, 1856.
" Edward Ebbs, 1857.
" Francis H. Marling, 1858.
" Henry Wilkes, D.D., 1859.
" Adam Lillie, D.D., 1860.
" Joseph Elliot, 1861.
" A. J. Parker, 1862.
" William Hay, 1863.
" Thomas M. Reikie, 1864.
" Archibald Duff, D.D., 1865.
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" Robert Robinson, 1868.
" Henry D. Powis, 1869.
" John Wood, 1870.
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" Enoch Barker, 1873.
" Joseph Unsworth, 1874.
" Charles Chapman, M.A., 1875.
" Daniel Macallum, 1876.
" Jas. A. R. Dickson, B.D., 1877.
" Robert K. Black, 1878.
" John F. Stevenson, D.D., 1879.
" " " 1880.
" Samuel N. Jackson, M.D., 1881.
George Hague, Esq., 1882.
Rev. Charles Duff, M.A., 1883.
" John G. Sanderson, 1884.
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" H. D. Hunter, M.A., 1887.
" John Morton, 1888.
" Joseph Wild, D.D., 1889.

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Adams, L. P., Fitch Bay, Que.
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Barnes, Hy. E., D.D., Sherbrooke, Que.
Barker, Enoch, Toronto, Ont.
Barker, Joseph, Sheffield, N.B.
Black, Robt. K., Sarnia, Ont.
Black, James R., Barrie, Ont.
Bolton, Charles E., Wiarton, Ont.
Bowen, T. W. Manilla, Ont.
Brown, Geo. F., Melbourne, Que.
Burgess, E. J., Edgeworth, Ont.
Burton, John, B.D., Toronto, Ont.,
Claris, Wm. H. A., Frome, Ont.
Clarke, William F., Guelph, Ont.
Cornish, Geo., LL.D., Montreal, Q.
Cox, Jacob W., Cornwallis, N. S.
Cuthbertson, Wm., B.A., Woodstock, Ont.
Day, Benjamin W., Lanark, Ont.
Duff, Charles, M.A., Toronto, Ont.
Dunlap, G. H., Rock Island, Que.
Fenwick, Kenneth M., Montreal, Q.
Fuller, George, Brantford, Ont.
Geddes, L F.,
Gerrie, A. W., Portage la Prairie, Man.
Gerrie, J. P., Stratford, Ont.
Gunner, F., M.D., Listowel, Ont.
Goddard, Henry, Milton, N. S.
Hall, Thos. Kingston, Ont.
Hawes, J. B., Keswick Ridge, N. B.
Hay, William, Scotland, Ont.
Hay, James, Franklin Centre, Que.
Hay, Robert, Warwick, Ont.
Hill, E. M., M.A., Montreal, Que.
Hindlay, John L., M.A., Granby, Q.
Hodgkinson, T. St. Johns, Nfld.
Hunter, H. D., M.A., London, Ont.
King, Stephen, Toronto, Ont.
Jackson, Sam'l N., M.D., Kingston, O.
Johnston, G. W., Milton, N. S.
Macallum, Daniel, St. Elmo, Ont.
McAdie, J., St. Andrews, Que.
Main, A. W., Belleville, Ont.
Marling, Francis H., Montreal, Que.
MacColl, Evan C. W., M. A., Middleville, Ont.
McKinnon, John, Pilot Mound, Man.
McFadyen, A.L., B.A., Kingston, O.
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McGregor, Arch. F., B.A., Toronto, Ont.
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McLeod, A. S., Listowel, Ont.
McIntosh, Wm., Yarmouth, N.S.
McIntyre, H. A., B.A., Montreal, Q.
McKillican, John, Montreal, Que.
Morton, John, Hamilton, Ont.
Peacock, W., Pleasant River, N. S.
Pedley, Chas. S., B.A., Fergus, Ont.
Pedley, Hugh, B.A., Winnipeg, Man.
Pedley, Jas. W., Vancouver, B. C.
Purkis, Geo., Waterville, Que.
Rivard, A. F., Belle Riviere, Que.
Richardson, A. W., B.A., The Grange, Ont.
Robertson, Geo., Toronto, Ont.
Robinson, Robert, Owen Sound, O.
Rogers, G., Bon Esperance, Labrador.
Ross, C. L., Tiverton, Ont.
Saer, J. B., B.D., St. John, N. B.
Salmon, John, B.A., Toronto, Ont.
Sanderson, John G., Danville, Que.
Sharratt, Jas., Twillingate, Nfld.
Shipperley, James, Maitland, N.S.
Silcox, E. D., Embro, Ont.
Skinner, George, Eaton, Que.
Smith, Wm. W., Newmarket, Ont.
Solandt, A., Inverness, Que.
Solandt, A. P., Brigham, Que.
Squires, John, Random, Nfld.
Sykes, S. Brooklyn, N. S.
Totten, M. J., Wroxeter, Ont.
Unsworth, Joseph, Stouffville, Ont.
Unsworth, Joseph K., Paris, Ont.
Warriner, W. Henry, B.A., Bowmanville, Ont.
Watson, W. H., Chebogue, N. S.
Webb, James, New Durham, Ont.
White, Jas., Forest, Ont.
Whitman, Jacob, Cornwallis, N. S.
Wild, Joseph, D. D., Toronto, Ont.
Wilmot, W. F., Ont.
Willett, George, Cowansville, Que.
Wright, J. C., Belwood, Ont.
Wood, John, Ottawa, Ont.

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Alton, Ont.
Athol, Ont.
Baddeck, N. S.
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Belwood (Douglas), Ont.
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Beach Meadows, N. S.
Belleville, Ont.
Belle Riviere, Que.
Bowmanville, Ont.
Brantford, Ont.
Brigham, Que.
Brockville, Ont.
Brooklyn, N. S.
Burford, Ont.
Caledon, South, Ont.
Canifton, Ont.
Chebogue, N. S.
Churchill, Ont.
Cobourg, Ont.
Coldsprings, Ont.
Cornwallis, N. S.
Cowansville, Que.
Dalston, Ont.
Danville, Que.
Eaton, Que.
Edgar, Ont.
Economy, N. S.
Edgeworth, Ont.
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Erin, North, Ont.
Falmouth, N. S.
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Fitch Bay, Que.
Forest, Ont.
Forest, Lake Shore, Ont.
Fortune Bay, Nfld.
Franklin Centre, Que.
French Bay, Ont.
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Garafraxa, Ont.
Georgetown, Ont.
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Howick, 1st, Ont.
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Manilla, Ont.
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Montreal, Calvary, Que.
New Durham, Ont.
Newmarket, Ont.
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Ohio, N. S.
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Paris, Ont.
Pilot Mound, Man.
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Random, Nfld.
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Scotland, Ont.
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Stanstead, South, Que.
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Turnberry, Ont.
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Ulverton, Que.
Unionville, Ont.
Vancouver, B.C.
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" John McKillican,	" George Purkis,	" Joseph Dixon,
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GENERAL CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICS.

I. BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

In the Dominion of Canada and the Island of Newfoundland there are two Congregational Unions (that of "Ontario and Quebec," and the "Nova Scotia and New Brunswick" Union), 5 Associations, 126 Churches, 75 Preaching Stations, with about 9,529 Members, as follows:—

Province.	*Churches.*	*Stations.*	*Ministers.*	*Members.*
Ontario	77	26	49	6300
Quebec	20	15	17	1650
Nova Scotia	17	21	7	858
New Brunswick	3	11	4	341
Newfoundland and Labrador.	5	0	3	200
The North West	4	2	4	180
	126	75	84	9529

II. ENGLAND AND WALES.

England and Wales have one Congregational Union, meeting in London in May, and in some place in the provinces in Autumn. London has a Metropolitan Congregational Union, 267 churches, 174 mission rooms and stations, 24 vacant charges, 225 ministers in charge, 170 ministers resident without pastoral charge, 18 churches supplied by lay-preachers and students. (Of the ministers in London without charge, the majority have retired from the ministry, mostly from age; others are secretaries, editors, teachers, etc.; leaving only about 14 seeking charges.)

There are 50 County Associations, 2,686 ministers (including London, as above), seating accommodation for 1,625,600 persons; 4,504 churches and mission stations, as against 4,461 last year. Our English brethren, from no valid reason that we know of, always refrain from reporting the number of members in their churches.

III. SCOTLAND.

(1.) Scotland has one Congregational Union, and 102 churches, of which 6 were without pastors. There are 4 min-

isters's associations, 110 ministers, of whom 19 are without pastoral charge, 97 churches.

(2.) One Evangelical Union, formed in 1843, with 91 churches, of which 13 are vacant; 83 ministers, of whom 5 are not in pastoral charge.

IV. IRELAND.

Ireland has one Congregational Union; 29 churches; 27 ministers, of whom 6 are without charge; 98 preaching stations at which the various ministers preach, assisted by 48 lay-preachers.

V. CHANNEL ISLANDS.

One Congregational Union; 10 churches, in 2 of which the services are in English, the others in French; 2 branch churches; 5 ministers in charge.

TOTAL.—The total of churches, branch churches, and missions, in Great Britain, and the Islands of the British seas (mission stations in Scotland and Ireland not included, but including the churches of the Evangelical Union in Scotland), is 4,736, as against 4,712 last year.

VI. UNITED STATES.

The total number of Congregational churches in the United States is 4,404, an increase on the previous year of 127; the number of ministers is 4,303, an increase of 213; ministers not engaged in pastoral work, 1,431; number of church members, 457,584; net gain during the year, 21,205. Number in Sunday schools, 551,691, an increase of 29,704. These churches raised for benevolent purposes, $2,095,485, and for home expenditure, $5,078,980, during the year. The American Congregational Year Book for 1888 reports 40 State and General Associations and Conferences of the churches, in the various States.

VII. AUSTRALASIA.

In Australia and New Zealand, there are 7 Congregational Unions, 230 churches, 80 preaching stations, 159 pastors, and 32 resident ministers without pastoral charge.

VIII. EUROPE.

There are Congregational churches in France, Russia, Germany, Spain and Belgium. In connection with the Evangelical

Mission under the Rev. R. W. McAll, a Congregational minister from England, there are in Paris, suburbs and provinces, 104 mission stations, with 15,000 sittings; 25 Sunday schools in Paris and suburbs.

IX. AFRICA.

The Congregational churches in Africa are grouped under the Unions of Natal and South Africa. In Natal there are 19 pastors and ordained missionaries, and (exclusive of stations among the heathen) 26 churches and preaching places. In South Africa there are 40 churches, and 38 ministers, 9 of them without pastoral charge.

X. WEST INDIES.

The Jamaica Congregational Union includes 10 churches and 9 ministers, with 31 out-stations, 26 day-schools, 20 lay-preachers, and 6,000 adherents. In British Guiana, the Congregational Union there comprises 37 churches, 13 ministers.

XI. INDIA.

There are 8 self-sustaining churches, 8 sustained by the London Missionary Society; 12 native churches, presided over by ordained native pastors, and 3 English "Union" churches.

XII. CHINA

In the Chinese Empire, in addition to all the churches sustained by the London Missionary Society, 2 Union churches, one at Shanghai and one at Hong Kong.

XIII. MADAGASCAR.

Our figures are necessarily imperfect; but the last estimate we have seen, gives, churches, 700; ministers (European and native), 782; church members, 60,581; native preachers, 4,000; schools, 1,000; scholars, 94,000.

XIV. SWEDEN AND NORWAY.

About 400 churches, in these countries, are formed on the Congregational model. Membership, 100,000. The largest Congregational meeting-house in the world is in Gothenburg, and seats 5,000.

XV. SANDWICH ISLANDS.

These Islands contain about 57 Congregational churches, with a membership of 7,000. The Theological Institute at Honolulu educates ministers both for the home and foreign field. These Islands have, within 60 years, been so entirely Christianized, under the efforts of the American Missionaries, that they now sustain missions themselves in other Islands of the Pacific.

XVI. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The *London Missionary Society's* income for 1887-88, was £105,382; and the expenditure, £121,110. Number of church members in the mission field, 89,433; adherents, 339,721. English missionaries, 150; native ordained missionaries and pastors, 1,153; native preachers, 5,146. English female missionaries (not included above) 24.

The *American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions* reports this year 22 missions, 980 stations and out-stations, 461 missionaries and assistant missionaries, 2,037 native laborers, 325 churches, with over 28,000 members—nearly 3,000 of these received on confession of faith during the past year, 98 high schools and seminaries for young men and women, with nearly 6,000 students; and a total of over 41,000 children and youth under Christian instruction. Income, 1887, $680,954; expenditures, $679,376.

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THE TRAVELLERS' GUIDE TO PLACES OF WORSHIP.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES IN SOME OF THE CITIES AND LARGER TOWNS.

The Churches here stated are inserted because they are accessible and well known, not as being better than others. In our list we include several former Canadian brethren.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

LONDON.

267 Congregational Churches.

City Temple, Holborn Viaduct, Rev. Joseph Parker, D.D.
Chelsea, Markham Square Church, Rev. J. Lawson Forster, LL.B.
Brixton Chapel, Rev John F. Stevenson, D.D.
Dalston, Pownall Road, Rev. Robert Mackay.
Union Chapel, Islington, Rev. Hy. Allon, D.D.
Westminster Bridge Road, Christ Church, Rev. Newman Hall, LL.B.
Clapham Congregational Church, Grafton Sq., Rev. J. Guinness Rogers.
Camberwell Green Chapel, Rev. C. Clemance, D.D.
Kingsland Congregational Church, Rev. Thos. Hooper.
Whitefield's Tabernacle, Tottenham Court Road, Rev. J. Jackson Wray.

PROVINCIAL.

Birmingham, 28 Churches.

Carr's Lane Chapel, Rev. R. W. Dale, D.D.
Edgbaston Chapel, Rev. W. F. Clarkson.

Bradford, 18 Churches.

Horton Lane Chapel, Rev. K. C. Anderson, D.D.
Salem Chapel, Rev. —— ——.

Bristol and Clifton, 26 Churches.

Highbury Chapel, Rev. H. A. Thomas.
Redland Park Chapel, Rev. U. R. Thomas.

Brighton, 16 Churches.

Clifton Road Chapel, Rev. W. Crosbie, LL.B.
North Street Chapel, Rev. J. B. Figgis.

Cardiff, 10 Churches.

Trinity Church, Rev. W. Seward.
Charles St. Chapel, Rev. J. Williamson.

Cambridge, 2 Churches.

Trumpington St. Chapel Rev. W. H. Houghton.
Victoria Road Chapel, Rev. W. A. Guttridge.

Chester, 4 Churches.

Northgate St. Chapel, Rev. F. Barnes.
Great Broughton Chapel, Rev. B. Hargreaves.

Chishill, Essex, 1 Church.

Rev. Richard T. Thomas.

Derby, 6 Churches.

Victoria Street, Rev. G. Hunsworth.

Halifax, 8 Churches.

Square Church, Rev. E. A. Lawrence.

Huddersfield, 7 Churches.

Highfield Church, Rev. Robert Bruce, D.D.

Hull, 8 Churches.

Albion Chapel, Rev. W. Scott.
Fish St. Chapel, Rev. H. Elvet Lewis.

Liverpool, 34 Churches

Great George St., Rev. S. Pearson.
Wavertree Chapel, Rev. —— ——.

Leeds, 22 Churches.

East Parade Chapel, Rev. E. R. Conder, D.D.
Marshall St. Chapel, Rev. J. J. Bynner.

Leicester, 11 Churches.

Bond Street Chapel, Rev. A. N. Johnson.

Manchester and Salford, 41 Churches.

Cavendish St. Chapel, Rev. G. S. Renney.
Rusholme Chapel, Rev. A. Thompson, D.D.

Northampton, 8 Churches.

Doddridge Chapel, Rev. J. J. Cooper.

Nottingham, 19 Churches.

Castle-gate Chapel, Rev. R. Baldwin Brindley.

Newcastle-on-Tyne, 4 Churches.

St. Paul's Church, Rev. Fred. Hibbert.

Sheffield, 24 Churches.

Broompark Chapel, Rev. H. H. Oakley.

Southampton, 5 Churches.

Above Bar Chapel, Rev. T. Nicholson.

Sunderland, 8 Churches.

Dundas Street Chapel, Rev. W. Redman.

Swansea, 10 Churches

Castle Street, Rev. D. W. Duthie.
Herbert Place, Rev. S. Griffith.

SCOTLAND.

Aberdeen, 7 Churches.

Belmont Street, Rev. James Stark.
John Street (E. U.), Rev. A. Stewart, LL.D.

Dundee, 8 Churches.

Panmure Street, Rev. William J. Cox.
Ward Church, Rev. Charles Short, D.D.
Trinity Church (E. U.), Rev. Wm. Hamilton.

Edinburgh and Leith, 11 Churches.

Albany Street, Rev. A. B. Morris.
Augustine Church, Rev. J. Gregory.
Leith, Rev. David Robb
Brighton St. (E. U.), Rev. Robert Craig, M.A.
Buccleuch Church (E. U.), Rev. Wm. Adamson, D.D.

Glasgow, 21 Churches.

Elgin Place, Rev. Albert Goodrich.
Eglinton Street, Rev. David Russell and Rev. James Ross.
Montrose Street (E. U.), Rev. Fergus Ferguson, D.D.
North Dundas Street (E. U.), Rev. James Morrison, D.D., and Rev. G. Gladstone.

Perth, 2 Churches.

Congregational Church, Rev. —— ——.
High Street (E. U.), Rev. R. Finlay.

IRELAND.

Dublin, 4 Churches.

York Street, Rev. —— ——.
King's Inn Street, Rev. Philip Davis.

Belfast, 5 Churches.

Donegal Street, Rev. J. Fordyce, M.A.
Wellington Place (E. U.), Rev. George Cron.

Cork, 1 Church.

Rev. A. Mackinlay.

Limerick, 1 Church.

Rev. W. Baxendale.

Londonderry, 1 Church.

Rev. Alexander Bell.

FRANCE

Paris.

Congregational Church (English), 23 Rue Royale (near the Madeleine), Rev. S. H. Anderson.

UNITED STATES.

New York, 8 Congregational Churches.

Broadway Tabernacle, Rev. Wm. M. Taylor, D.D.
Pilgrim Church, Rev. Samuel H. Virgin, D.D.

Boston, 25 Churches.

Old South Church, Rev. Geo. A. Gordon.
Central Church, Rev. Jos. T. Duryea, D.D.

Brooklyn, 19 Churches.

Plymouth Church, Rev. Lyman Abbott, D.D.
Church of the Pilgrims, Rev. R. S. Storrs, D.D.

Philadelphia, 1 Church.

Central Church, Rev. R. Danforth.

Washington, 6 Churches

First Church, Rev. S. M. Newman
Plymouth Church, Rev. William T. Peel

Portland, 8 Churches.

Second Parish, Rev. Charles H. Daniels
High St. Church, Rev. W. H. Fenn, D.D.

Detroit, 5 Churches.

First Church, Rev. William H. Davis.
Trumbull Ave., Rev. R. W. Wallace.

Cleveland, 11 Churches.

Euclid Ave. Church, Rev. Henry M. Ladd, D.D.
Plymouth Church, Rev. Geo. R. Leavitt, D.D.

Chicago, 21 Churches.

First Church, Rev. Edward P. Goodwin, D.D.
Union Park Church, Rev. Fred. A. Noble

St. Louis, 12 Churches.

First Church, Rev. James G. Merrill.
Pilgrim Church, Rev. Henry A. Stimson, D.D.

Buffalo, 2 Churches.

First Church, Rev. Frank S. Fitch.

Cincinnati, 5 Churches.

Central Church, Rev. Wm. H. Warren.
Lawrence St. Church, Rev. David Jones, D.D.

Minneapolis, 12 Churches.

First Church, Rev. George R. Merrill.
Plymouth Church, Rev. Charles F. Thwing.

San Francisco, 7 Churches.

First Church, Rev. C. D. Barrows, D.D.
Plymouth Church, Rev. Thomas K. Noble.

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PERIODICALS BY CONGREGATIONALISTS.

All of the following periodicals are among those published by Congregationalists, although some of them are not Congregational in a denominational sense. From the first the Denomination has been active in disseminating literature catholic in its nature. It is not to be understood that this list includes all the periodicals published by Congregationalists.

I. CANADA.

ANNUAL.

Titles.	*Editors.*	*Publishers.*
Congregational Year Book	Rev. W. W. Smith	Congregational Publishing Co.

MONTHLY.

Canadian Independent	Rev. W. W. Smith	Congregational Pub. Co., Toronto
Northern Messenger	J. R. Dougall	J. Dougall & Son, Montreal
Congregational Record	Rev. J. Wood	Rev. J. Wood, Ottawa.

WEEKLY.

Montreal Witness	J. R. Dou all	J. Dougall & Son.
Aurora	J. R. Doug ll	J. Dougall & Son.
Canadian Advance	E. Yeigh	Yeigh & Co., Toronto
Bowmanville Sun	W. R. Climie	W. R. Climie.
Listowel Banner	W. Climie.	W. Climie.

DAILY.

Witness	J. R. Dougall	J. Dougall & Son.

II. ENGLAND.

ANNUAL.

Congregational Year Book	Rev. A. Hannay, D.D.	Hodder & Stoughton.
Nat. Temperance League's Annual	R. Rae	Nat. Temp. League, 337 Strand, London.

QUARTERLY.

Medical Temperance Journal	R. Rae	Do. do. do.

MONTHLY.

Congregational Review	Rev. J. G. Rogers.	T. Fisher Unwin.
Evangelical Magazine		Elliot Stock.
Missionary Chronicle	Rev. George Cousins	J. Snow & Co.
Juvenile Missionary Magazine	Rev. George Cousins	J. Snow & Co.
Congregational Magazine	Rev. A. Mearns	Alexander & Shepheard.
Home and Fatherland	Rev. A. Mearns	Clark & Co., Fleet Street
Good Company	Rev. J. Jackson Wray	Woodford, Fawcett & Co., Salisbury Square.
The Liberator		Elliot Stock.
Mother's Friend	Mrs. Reany	Hodder & Stoughton.
Christian World Magazine	Mr. Herbert	Clark & Co., Fleet Street.
Sunday School Teacher	H. Hall	S. S. Union, Old Bailey.
Child's Own Magazine	Benjamin Clarke	Do. do.
Notes on Scripture Lessons		Do. do.
Biblical Treasury		Do. do.
Homiletic Review		Office, 44 Fleet Street.
Halifax and District Congregational Magazine	Rev. A Craven	Rothera & Tattersall, Halifax.
Liverpool and District Congregational Magazine	Rev. E. R. Barrett	P. A. Warner, Seaforth.
Manchester and Distr ct Congregational Magazine	Rev. J. McDougall and G. N. Ford	Brook & Chrystal, Manchester.
Temperance Mirror	R. Rae	National Temperance League.
The Lay Preacher		F. E. Longley, Warwick Lane.
Young England	Benjamin Clarke	Clarke & Co., Fleet Street.
The Rosebud	Mr. Herbert	Do. do.

WEEKLY.

Nonconformist and Independent	C. S. Miall	Clarke & Co., Fleet Street.	Home Mission
Christian World		Do. do.	Der Congrega
Family Circle Edition of the Christian World.	J. Greville Clarke	Do. do.	Life and Ligh
Sunday School Times	Miss M. Farningham	Do. do.	Pilgrim Lesso
Literary World	J. Greville Clarke	Do. do.	Little Pilgrin
Christian World Pulpit		Do. do.	The Recorder
News and Notes		Office, 44 Fleet Street, E.C.	Pilgrim Teac
Christian Union	Rev. C. Kirkby	6 Salisbury Square, Fleet Street.	
Sunday School Chronicle	Benjamin Clarke	Sunday School Union.	
Temperance Record	R. Rae	National Temperance League.	

III. SCOTLAND.

ANNUAL.

Scottish Congregational Year Book	Rev. R. Allan	Turnbull & Spears, Edinburgh.	Congregation
Evangelical Union Annual		T. D. Morison, 225 Ingram St., Glasgow.	Advance

MONTHLY.

Evangelical Repository (E. U.)	Rev. W. Adamson, D.D.	Do. do.	Christian Mi

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Christian News	Rev. W. Adamson, D.D., and Rev. R. Hood	Do. do.	New Hampsl Independent Religious He Vermont Ch Christian U Pacific The Beacon Golden Rule The Well-Sp

IV. IRELAND.

Irish Congregational Year Book	Rev. J. Ervine.	W. W. Cleland, Belfast.	The Antana agascar M
Irish Cong. Magazine (Monthly)	Rev. J. Fordyce	Do. do.	

V. WALES.

Dyddiadur yr Annibynwyr (Annual)	Rev. D. Jones and Rev. R. W. Griffith	Hughes, Dolgelly.

MONTHLY.

Dysgedydd	Rev. E. H. Evans	Do. do.
Diwygiwr	Rev. E. A. Jones and Rev. D. A. Griffith	Rees, Llanelly.
Croniel		Evans, Bala.
Dysgedydd y Plant		Hughes, Dolgelly.
Tywysydd y Plant	Rev. T. Johns	Rees, Llanelly.
Cennad Hedd	Rev. J. B. Jones	Williams, Merthyr.
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WEEKLY.

Y Tyst ar Dydd	Rev. J. Thomas, D.D.	Williams, Merthyr.
Dydd		Hughes, Dolgelly.

VI. AUSTRALIA.

Victorian Congregational Year Book	Rev. J. J. Halley	Melbourne.
Australian Independent		Joseph Cook & Co., Sydney.
South Australian Independent and Presbyterian		Adelaide.

VII. UNITED STATES.

ANNUAL.

Congregational Year Book	Rev. H. A. Hazen	Cong. Pub. Society, Boston.

QUARTERLY.

Bibliotheca Sacra	Prof. G. F. Wright	Oberlin, Ohio
New Englander	Mr. W. H. Kingsley	New Haven, Conn.
Andover Review	Prof. E. C. Smyth	Houghton & Mifflin, Boston.
Pilgrim Quarterly	M. C. Hazard	Cong. Pub. Society, Boston.

MONTHLY.

Missionary Herald	A. B. C. F. M.	Boston.
American Missionary	Am. Miss. Association.	New York.

Home Missionary	Home Miss. Society	New York.
Der Congregational Kirchenbote	Rev. H. Hess	New Houghton, Ia.
Life and Light	Woman's B. M.	Boston, Mass.
Pilgrim Lesson Leaves	Mr. M. C. Hazard and Miss A. F. Burnham	Cong. Pub. Society, Boston.
Little Pilgrim	Mrs. F. W. Crafts.	Congregational Society, Boston.
The Recorder	Rev. D. W. Williams	Madrid, N. Y.
Pilgrim Teacher	Rev. A. E. Dunning and Mr. M. C. Hazard	Cong. Pub. Society, Boston.

WEEKLY.

Congregationalist	Rev. Dr. Dexter	W. L. Greene & Co., Boston.
Advance	Rev. F. A. Noble, D.D.	Advance Co.
Christian Mirror	Rev. I. P. Warren, D.D.	Portland, Maine.
New Hampshire Journal		W. W. Prescott, Montpelier, Vt.
Independent	Rev. W. H. Ward, D.D.	H. C. Bowen, New York.
Religious Herald	D. B. Moseley & Sons.	D. B. Moseley & Sons, Hartford.
Vermont Chronicle		W. W. Prescott, Montpelier, Vt.
Christian Union	Rev. L. Abbott, D.D.	New York.
Pacific	Pacific Pub. Company	San Francisco, Cal.
The Beacon	Rev. John P. Sanderson	Detroit, Mich.
Golden Rule		Boston.
The Well-Spring		Cong. Pub. Society, Boston.

VIII. MALAGASY.

The Antananarivo Annual and Madagascar Magazine	Rev. R. Baron and Rev. J. Sibree	London Missionary Society.

CONGREGATIONAL RECORD FOR CANADA.

JULY 1, 1887, TO JULY 1, 1888.

I. ORDINATIONS, INSTALLATIONS, ETC.

Rev. Joseph K. Unsworth, ordained at Paris, Ont., July 12th, 1887.

Rev. George Robertson, installed, Hazelton Ave., Toronto, July 29th, 1887.

Rev. Henry E. Barnes, D.D., installed, Sherbrooke, Que., July 7th, 1887.

Rev. Francis H. Marling, installed, Emmanuel Church, Montreal, Sept. 15th, 1887.

Rev. Robert Ward, LL.D., installed, Wingham, Ont, Sept. 30th, 1887.

Rev. Geo. F. Brown, ordained at Melbourne, Que., Oct. 27th, 1887.

Rev. F. H. Wilmot, began work at Pine Grove, Ont., Oct., 1887.

Rev. A. W. Gerrie, began work at Portage la Prairie, Man., Nov., 20th, 1887.

Rev. Robert Aylward, installed, Cobourg, Dec. 20th, 1887.

Rev Thomas Bigeanoe, native pastor, ordained, Indian Church, French Bay, Ont., Nov. 2nd, 1887.

Rev. W. T. Bowen, installed, Manilla, Ont., Dec. 14th, 1887.

Rev. James Webb, installed, New Durham, Ont., Nov., 1887.

Rev. James White, accepted, Vankleek Hill and Hawkesbury, Nov., 1887.

Rev. James McAdie, ordained, St Andrews, Que. Dec. 22nd, 1887.

Rev. Hugh Pedley began work, Winnipeg, Feb., 1888.

Rev. Jas. W. Pedley began work, Vancouver, B.C., March, 25th, 1888.

Rev. John P. Gerrie, ordained, Stratford, Ont., June, 1888.

Rev. Andrew P. Solandt, ordained, Brigham, Que., June 14th, 1888.

Rev. Frank Davey, ordained, Alton, Ont., June, 1888.

Rev. A. S. McLeod, accepted, Listowel, Ont., June, 1888.

II. RESIGNATIONS.

Rev. H Pedley resigned Cobourg, Sept., 1887.

Rev. George Willett resigned Cowansville and Brigham, Que., Sept., 1887.

Rev. A. W. Gerrie resigned Pine Grove and Humber Summit, Ont., Oct., 1887.

Rev. John B. Silcox resigned Winnipeg, Jan., 1888.

Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith resigned Stratford, Jan., 1888.

Rev. James W. Pedley resigned Georgetown, Ont., Jan., 1888.

Rev. Wm. Burgess resigned Listowel, Ont., April 1st, 1888.

III. REMOVALS FROM THE DOMINION.

Rev. Wm. Burgess, Listowel, Ont., removed to United States, April, 1888.
Rev. Charles S. Pedley, Speedside, Ont , removed to England, June, 1888.
Rev. Joseph Colclough, St. Catharines, removed to England, July, 1888.

IV. CHURCH EDIFICES.

Church at Maitland, N.S., opened for worship, November 27th, 1887.
Corner Stone laid, Western Church, Toronto, April 4th, 1888.
Corner Stone laid, Ottawa Church, June 12th, 1888.

V. MISCELLANEOUS.

Pilgrim Church, Portage la Prairie, Man., organized, Feb. 20th, 1888.
Canifton, Ont., Church organized, Dec. 6th, 1887.
Rev. William M. Barbour, D.D., installed as Principal of Congregational College, Montreal, Sept. 14th, 1887.
Vancouver (B.C.) Church organized, June 17th, 1888.

VI. DEATHS.

Rev. Ludwick Kribs, died at Hawley, Minnesota, Dec. 16th, 1887.
Rev. Richard M. Burgess, at South Haven, Mich., April 16th, 1888.
Ira White, Esq., Unionville, Ont., August 5th, 1887.
William Field, Esq., Cobourg, Ont., Dec., 1887.
Frank H. Jordan, Esq., St. John, N.B., March, 1888.
William McClellan, Esq., Alton, Ont., Jan. 21st, 1888.
Alexander McLagan, Esq., Sarnia, Ont., April 29th, 1888.
Joseph Barber, Esq., Georgetown, Ont., Jan. 7th, 1888.
R. J. Jeanneret, formerly of Guelph, at Ligonier, Indiana, June 28th, 1888.

CONGREGATIONAL SOCIETIES.

I. CANADA.

1. Congregational Missionary Society.—Formed in 1853, by the union of societies previously existing in Upper and Lower Canada. Object, to plant new churches, and sustain those that are weak in the provinces. Administration by a General Committee and an Executive. Every subscriber of two dollars is a member of the society. Life-members are those who give twenty dollars or more, at one time Annual meeting held in connection with the Congregational Union. The Colonial Missionary Society, England, gives aid by adding twenty per cent. to the amount the Canadian churches raise. Income, for the year 1887-1888:

From churches	$4,002 26
From invested funds	338 10
From 2 contributors of $500 each, Montreal	1,000 00
From personal contributions	108 33
From special contributions	2,071 85
From Colonial Missionary Society	1,156 00
From Manitoba Fund	1,881 85
	$10,558 39

The expenditure for the past year has been $7,764.86 for home mission work, miscellaneous, $2,903; a total of $10,668.34.

The officers for the year 1888-9, are Rev. George Cornish, M.A., LL.D., Montreal, *President*; Rev. Thomas Hall, Kingston, *Missionary Superintendent*; Rev. Samuel N. Jackson, M.D., Kingston, *Treasurer*; Rev. Joseph Unsworth, Stouffville, *Honorary Secretary*; Rev. John Wood, Ottawa, *Secretary*.

2. Congregational Foreign Missionary Society.—Organized in the year 1881. Annual meetings in connection with the Congregational Union. Present mission field, South-Western Africa. Benjamin W. Robertson, Esq., Kingston, *President*; Rev. Dr. Wild, Toronto, *Vice-President*; T. B. Macaulay, Esq., Montreal, *Treasurer*; Rev. E. M. Hill, M.A., Montreal, *Secretary*.

3. CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND.—Established in 1856, as a Widows' and Orphans' Society; in 1873 the Pastors' Retiring Fund branch was added, and the name given as above. Ministers received as beneficiary members by paying an annual sum into the separate branches, on a scale according to age. Widows of deceased members receive an annuity of $100; and for children, sons under sixteen and daughters under eighteen, $20, but the youngest child $40. Superannuated ministers receive $100 a year for life. Charles R. Black, Esq., 65 St. Peter St., Montreal, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

4. CONGREGATIONAL PUBLISHING COMPANY.—Incorporated in 1874, to take the place of the proprietary having in charge the publication of the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT, composed of Stockholders of five dollar shares. Publications, CANADIAN INDEPENDENT and CONGREGATIONAL YEAR BOOK. Rev John Morton, Hamilton, *President;* Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D., Bowmanville, *Secretary-Treasurer.* Rev. W. W. Smith, Newmarket, Ont., *Editor.*

5. CANADA CONGREGATIONAL WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.—Annual meeting in connection with the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec. Auxiliary to the C. C. Missionary Society, and the C. C. Foreign Missionary Society. Mrs. Macallum, St. Elmo, Ont., *Pres.* Miss H. Wood, Maxville, Ont., *Cor. Sec.*

6. NEWFOUNDLAND CONGREGATIONAL HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Connected with the Colonial Missionary Society, England. Headquarters in St. John's. Missionary Churches established in three of the outports. Rev. T. Hodgkinson, *President;* W. H. Seymour, *Treasurer;* J. Cadwell, *Secretary.*

7. LADIES' HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.—Mrs. W. H. Watson, Chebogue, N. S., *President;* Mrs. C. H. Dearborn, St. John, N. B., *Treasurer;* Mrs. J. G. Burns, Shelburne, N.S., *General Secretary.*

II. ENGLAND.

1. THE LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Formed in 1795, on a catholic basis, to spread the knowledge of Christ among the heathen and other unenlightened nations. It sustains missions in China, India, South Africa, Central Africa, Madagascar, the West Indies, Polynesia and New Guinea. For facts, see General Congregational Statistics, section xvi. Rev. R. W. Thompson, *Foreign Secretary;* Rev. E. H. Jones, *Home Secretary;* Albert Spicer, Esq., *Treasurer.* Office, Mission House, 14 Blomfield-street, London-wall, London.

2. COLONIAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Established in 1836 to promote evangelical religion in the colonies and dependencies of Great Britain, according to the doctrine and discipline of the Congregational churches. This is done by sending out ministers, sustaining those in the fields, and by aid in training a colonial ministry. Lately the Society has added the continent of Europe to the area of its operations. Receipts for the year ending May, 1888, £4,868; "Jubilee Fund," £2,476; total, £7,344. Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London, E.C., *Secretary.*

3. CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AID AND HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Organized in 1878 by the union of the Home Missionary Society, formed in 1819, and the several County Missionary Associations. Object, to plant and foster new churches, to aid weak churches, and to provide for the preaching of the Gospel and other evangelistic work in destitute places throughout England, and with the English-speaking population of Wales. Last year's expenditure was £26,246. Rev. Andrew Mearns, Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London, E.C., *Secretary.*

4. THE IRISH EVANGELICAL SOCIETY.—Originating in 1814; its object is to promote the preaching of the Gospel in Ireland by aiding Congregational pastors, supporting missionaries, itinerant preachers and Scripture readers throughout the four provinces. The Society's operations extend from North to South. There are, at present 18 stations and 70 out-stations. Income, 1887, £1,576; expenditure, £1,869. *Secretaries* (England), Rev. R. H. Noble, Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London; (Ireland), Rev. James Ervine, Kingstown.

5. ENGLISH CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL BUILDING SOCIETY.—Formed in 1853, to aid in building Congregational churches and manses in England, Wales, the Channel Islands, and by special contributions, Ireland and the colonies. In its work done it numbers 669 improved places of worship, meeting the needs of about half a million people, and fifty-three manses. Income, 1886, £7,804; expenditure, £5,618. C. E. Conder, Esq., Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London, E.C., *Secretary.*

6. LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE CHAPEL AND SCHOOL BUILDING SOCIETY.—Formed in 1868; this Society promotes the erection or purchase of buildings as above in the counties named. Thirty of these are to be provided during the next five years. The Society has assisted in the building of 35 chapels and 17 schools. *Treasurer*, A. Haworth, Esq.; *Secretaries*, Rev. R. M Davies, Oldham, Lancashire, and W. H. Johnson, Esq.

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7. LIVERPOOL CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL BUILDING SOCIETY.—Organized in 1872 for Liverpool and vicinity. Amount expended since 1870, about £122,000, towards which the Society contributed £12,000 for assistance given in the erection and enlargement of thirty-six chapels and schools, and the purchase of five new sites, besides granting numerous loans without interest. Rev. George Lord and T. A. Hammer, *Secretaries.*

8. PASTORS' RETIRING FUND.—Founded in 1860, to facilitate the retirement of aged and infirm Congregational pastors. Upwards of £94,000 has been distributed to about 450 ministers. Capital invested, £120,000; annuitants, 149; annuities, £5,495. Rev. R. T. Verrall, B.A., Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London, E.C., *Secretary.*

9. PASTORS' WIDOWS' FUND.—Organized in 1871, to provide annuities to the widows of Congregational pastors in England and Wales. Life membership is secured by payment of £21, or not less than £2 2*s.* 0*d.* annually. Capital invested, £25,000; annuitants, 49; annuities, £1,095. Rev. T. R. Verrall, B.A., Memorial Hall, Farringdon-street, London, E.C., *Secretary.*

III. SCOTLAND.

1. CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF SCOTLAND.—Sustains to the church and the work the relationship of a missionary society. Its affairs are managed by a general committee, and by four district committees. Income, £1,400; expended in grants to churches. Rev. John Douglas, 5 W. Garden-street, Burnbank, Glasgow, *Secretary.*

2. MINISTERS' PROVIDENT FUND.—Established in 1859 to secure for pastors, in connection with the Union, on their being disabled for ministerial duty, an annuity of £50, as the funds allow. Income about £700; capital realized, £49,500; annuitants, 10. J. McFarlane, Glenbourne, Oswald-road, Edinburgh, *Secretary.*

3. MINISTERS' WIDOWS' FUND.—Formed in 1820, to provide for the widows and children of deceased Congregational ministers in Scotland. Admission of beneficiaries on payment of two guineas, with annual subscription of one guinea. The widow or family of a deceased minister, until the youngest child is fourteen years of age, is entitled to receive £10 per annum. Granted last year, £615. Rev. W. J. Cox, Dundee, *Secretary.*

4. CHAPEL BUILDING SOCIETY.—For the promotion of the purchase, erection and improvement of Congregational churches in Scotland, and to provide for the extinction of chapel debts. Income £562; capital, £6,300. Robert Murdoch, Esq., 25 Princes Square, Regent's Park, Glasgow, *Secretary.*

5. CONGREGATIONAL TOTAL ABSTINENCE SOCIETY.—Organized in 1857, to promote the principles of total abstinence among the churches. Rev. Thomas Brisbane, Cambuslang, *Secretary.*

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

7. E. U. HOME MISSION.—Instituted by the Annual Conference of the Evangelical Union in 1853. Income, 1886, £363: expended, $722. Rev. George Gladstone, 4 Ann street, Hillhead, Glasgow, *Secretary.*

8. E U. MINISTERS' PROVIDENT FUND.—Formed 1867. Beneficiary members, 55: invested funds, £4,969; income, 1886, £279. Rev. George Gladstone, 4 Ann-street, Hillhead, Glasgow, *Secretary.*

IV. IRELAND.

1. THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF IRELAND.—Formed 1829: is the denominational Missionary Society of the country, and is organized to promote its evangelization. Rev. Jas. Ervine, Kingstown, Dublin, *Secretary.*

2. PROVIDENT FUND.—Organized in 1856, to provide annuities for retiring pastors, and for the widows and children of deceased Congregational ministers. Entrance fee, £10; an annual subscription of £2. Amount paid annually to disabled ministers, or to widows, or to the children (if no widow), till they reach fourteen years of age, £40. Income, £225; amount invested, £3,600. S. Hicklin, 56 Clifton Park Avenue, Belfast. *Secretary.*

V. AUSTRALIA.

1. VICTORIA CONGREGATIONAL MISSION.—To form and aid Congregational churches in the province, and for maintenance and enlargement of religious liberty, rights and privileges. Expenditure, 1886, £1,362. Rev. J. J. Halley, Congregational Hall, Russell-st., Melbourne, *Secretary.*

2. VICTORIA BUILDING ASSOCIATION.—Object to build and repair Congregational churches, Sunday-schools and parsonages, and to remove debts. Capital, £4,629. Rev. E. Day, Westbury-street, St. Kilda, *Secretary.*

3. NEW SOUTH WALES CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.—Assistance rendered to ten churches. Rev. S. Savage, Sydney, *Secretary.*

4. MINISTERS' RETIRING FUND FOR NEW SOUTH WALES.—Managed by Committee of Congregational Union of N. S. W.

5. HOME MISSION OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—Income, 1886-7, £355. J. C. McMichael, Adelaide, *Secretary.*

6. PROVIDENT SOCIETY FOR VICTORIA.—To give a pension to all ministers being members, on attaining the age of sixty; to afford relief to members in case of need, and also to their widows and children. Capital £7,087. A. M. Strongman, Melbourne, *Secretary.*

. CHAPEL BUILDING SOCIETY FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—Established 1858. Amount of working capital, £2,426. Rev. J. C. McMichael, Adelaide, *Secretary.*

8. PROVIDENT ASSOCIATION, FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—Capital, £3,538. R. M. Steele, *Hon.-Secretary.*

9. MISSION OF TASMANIA in Association with the Congregational Union, for Home Mission purposes. Rev. J. W. Simmons, Hobart Town, *Secretary.*

VI. UNITED STATES.

1. AMERICAN BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.—Organized in 1810, on a catholic basis, for Foreign Mission work. For facts, see Congregational Statistics, sec. xvi. Revs. N. G. Clark, D.D., E. K. Alden, D.D., Judson Smith, D.D., *Secretaries,* Congregational House, Boston, Mass. Langdon S. Ward, *Treasurer.*

2. WOMAN'S BOARDS.—There are three of these, all auxiliaries to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions: one for the East, in Boston; one for the Interior, in Chicago; and one for the Pacific, in California.

3. AMERICAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.—Organized in 1846, and devoted now specially to work among the white and colored people of the South, the Indians and Chinese on this continent.

Churches in the South, 132; with 6 colleges, 16 graded and normal schools, and 32 other schools; teachers, missionaries and assistants, 415; 10,268 children and youth in the schools and colleges. Income, 1887, $306,761; expenditure, $298,783. Rev. M. E. Strieby, D.D., and Rev. A. F. Baird, D.D., *Corresponding Secretaries*, 56 Reade Street, New York City. H. W. Hubbard, Esq., *Treasurer*.

4. THE AMERICAN CONGREGATIONAL UNION.—Founded in 1853, it has for its object the erection of houses of worship and parsonages through grants and loans. It has aided in the erection of 1,728 houses of worship, and 140 parsonages. It has expended $1,593,372. Receipts for the eight months ending December 31, 1887, $105,659. An urgent call has been issued for $200,000 this year. Rev. L. H. Cobb, D.D., 59 Bible House, New York, *Secretary*.

5. AMERICAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—Organized in 1826, on a catholic basis; it is the recognized Congregational Missionary Society in the United States. The total receipts for the 62 years is $11,586,692 in cash, beside clothing and books. The total years of labor is 40,976. During the year ending April, 1887, 135 churches were formed, 1,625 missionaries were employed in 41 States and Territories, and 10,031 additions have been made to the missionary churches. The missionaries of this society have under them 2,188 Sunday-schools and about 130,000 Sunday-school scholars. *Secretaries*, Rev. W. M. Barrows, D.D., Rev. Jos. B. Clark, D.D.; *Honorary Secretary*, Rev. D. B. Coe, D.D.; *Treasurer*, Rev. A. H. Clapp, D.D., office, 34 Bible House, New York City. The society has eleven auxiliaries and sixteen superintendents, supervising the work in the Western and Southern States and Territories.

6. CONGREGATIONAL SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND PUBLISHING SOCIETY, Congregational House, Boston, Mass.—Organized in 1832; to print, publish and circulate Sunday-school and other literature relating to a genuine Christian experience and to the Congregational faith and polity; to support Sunday-school missionaries and aid needy Sunday-schools. *The Pilgrim Teacher*, a monthly magazine, Pilgrim Quarterlies of different grades, the *Well-Spring* and other periodicals for Sunday-schools are issued. For the six months ending November 1, 1887, 201 new Sunday-schools were established. Total number of Sunday-schools organized and aided during the six months was 1,056. Rev. A. E. Dunning, D.D., and Rev. Geo. M. Boynton, *Secretaries*; M. C. Hazard, *Editor*; George P. Smith, *Agent*.

7. The American College and Education Society was formed in 1874, by the union of two previous societies formed in the years 1816 and 1843. The number of young men aided in their studies for the ministry since 1816 is 7,237, and the number now receiving assistance is 291. Income for the year ending April 30, 1887, $57,994; expenditure, $52,018. Rev. John A. Hamilton, Congregational House, Boston, *Secretary.*

8. American Congregational Association.—Founded in 1853, for the purpose of erecting in Boston a Congregational House, or headquarters for all our Congregational benevolent societies having offices in Boston; also a fire-proof library building, in which to gather and preserve everything which will state and illustrate the principles, polity and history of the Congregational churches. There are 34,000 volumes and over 140,000 pamphlets now in the library. Rev. Daniel P. Noyes, *Recording Secretary*, Byfield.

9. The New West Educational Commission.—Incorporated November 3, 1879, to promote Christian civilization in Utah and adjacent States and Territories, by the education of children and youths under Christian teachers, and also by the use of such kindred agencies as may be at any time desirable. For the year 1886-7 it expended $60,463, sustained 28 schools, with 59 teachers, and 2,383 pupils. Its sphere of operations is chiefly Utah and New Mexico. Though not distinctly a missionary society, it gives the free use of its school-houses to the missionaries of the Home Missionary Society, and furnishes them sites for churches and parsonages. Its central office is in Chicago, 151 Washington St., Mr. Wm. H. Hubbard, *Treasurer*; Rev. Chas. R. Bliss, *Secretary.* Eastern Office: 6 Congregational House, Boston. Rev. A. E. Winship, *District Secretary.*

CONGREGATIONAL THEOLOGICAL COLLEGES.

I. BRITISH.

(TAKEN FROM REPORTS OF LAST SESSION.)

	Name.	*Place.*	*Founded.*	*Course.*	*Pro-fes'rs.*	*Stu-d'ts*
1.	Congregational College of B. N. A.	Montreal, Quebec	1829	5 y'rs.	3	19
2.	Western College	Plymouth, England	1752	5 "	3	20
3.	Rotherham College	Rotherham, "	1756	3 "	4	26
4	Cheshunt College	Cheshunt, "	1768	4 "	4	39
5.	Airedale College	Bradford, "	1756	6 "	3	20
6.	Hackney College	Hackney, "	1803	6 "	4	36
7.	Lancashire College	Manchester, "	1816	6 "	4	32
8.	Mansfield College, (formerly Spring Hill College, Bir.)	Oxford, "	1838	3 "	3	18
9.	New College	London, "	1696	5 "	6	41
10.	Congregational Institute	Nottingham, "	1861	4 "	3	70
11.	Theological Institute	Bristol, "	1863	4 "	2	22
12.	Presby. and Cong. College	Camarthen, Wales	1719	4 "	2	28
13.	Memorial College	Brecon, "	1755	4 "	2	28
14	Independent College	Bala, "	1842	4 "	2	16
15.	Theological Hall	Edinburgh, Scotland	1811	5 "	2	16
16.	Theological Hall (E. U.)	Glasgow, "	1843	5 "	3	19
17.	Victoria College	Melbourne, Australia	1861	5 "	2	5
18.	Camden College	Sydney, "	1863	4 "	1	4
19.	Union College	South Australia	1874	..	3	6

There are also ten collegiate institutes in India, Madagascar, South Sea Islands and South Africa, for the training of about 300 native pastors and evangelists, conducted by agents of the London Missionary Society, which are not given above.

II. UNITED STATES.

In the United States there are twenty-six Congregational universities and colleges, holding property valued at $4,706,000, having endowments of $4,438,000, and with an income of $529,000. There are eleven theological seminaries, seven of which are independent, and four are auxiliary to other institutions. These seminaries hold property valued at $1,438,000, have endowments of $1,669,000, and an income of $120,000. There are, besides, forty-three theological schools in foreign countries connected with the American Board; and in the South, eight chartered institutions conducted by the American Missionary Association which are not given below.

	Name.	*Place.*	*Founded.*	*Course.*	*Pro-fes'rs.*	*Stu-d'ts*
1.	Andover Seminary	Andover, Mass.	1808	3 y'rs.	11	48
2.	Bangor Seminary	Bangor, Me.	1814	3 "	5	30
3.	Chicago Seminary	Chicago, Ill.	1858	3 "	6	117
4.	Hartford Seminary	Hartford, Conn	1834	3 "	7	42
5.	Oberlin Seminary	Oberlin, Ohio	1835	3 "	5	50
6	Pacific Seminary	Oakland, Cal	1869	3 "	3	11
7.	Yale Seminary	New Haven, Conn.	1822	3 "	7	95

CONGREGATIONAL UNIONS.

I. CANADA.

1. ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.—Organized in 1853 by the amalgamation of the Unions of Upper and Lower Canada. The next annual meeting will be held in Brantford, Ontario, June 5, 1889. *Chairman* for 1888, Rev. John Morton, Hamilton, Ont.; *Chairman* for 1889, Rev. Joseph Wild, D.D., Toronto; *Secretary-Treas.*, Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D., Bowmanville, Ont.; *Statistical-Secretary*, Rev. George Robertson, B.A., Toronto; *S. S. Secretary*, Rev. J. C. Wright, Belwood, Ont.

2. NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.—Organized in 1847. The next annual meeting will be held in Milton, N. S., or one of the churches of Queen's County, Saturday, July 6th, 1889. *Chairman*, Rev. Thomas Hall, Kingston, Ont.; *Secretary*, Rev. Joseph Barker, Sheffield, N.B.; *Treasurer*, Mr. James Woodrow, St. John, N. B.; *Statistical-Secretary*, Rev. James Shipperley, Maitland, N. S.

II. GREAT BRITAIN.

1. ENGLAND AND WALES.—Formed in 1831. *Chairman* for 1888, Rev. Robert Bruce, D.D., Huddersfield; *Chairman* for 1889, Rev. Griffith John (of China); *Secretary*, Rev. Alexander Hannay, D.D., Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street, London, E.C.; *Treasurer*, William Holborn, Esq.

2. LONDON.—*Chairman*, 1888, Rev. Alexander Hannay, D. D.; *Treasurers*, Albert Spicer, Esq., and Edward Spicer, Esq.; *Secretary*, Rev. Andrew Mearns, Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street, E. C.

3. THE UNION OF WELSH INDEPENDENTS.—Formed in 1872, embraces ministers, deacons and delegates from churches and from the quarterly meetings. *Chairman*, Rev. Pryce Howell; *Secretaries*, Revs. J. Charles, Oswestry, J. Thomas, Merthyr.

4. SCOTLAND.—Organized in 1812; it is composed of ministers and delegates from the churches, one delegate from each church numbering less than 200, and two for those numbering more. *Secretary*, Rev. John Douglas, Burnbank, Glasgow.

5. EVANGELICAL UNION OF SCOTLAND.—Formed in 1843. *President*, Rev. Robert Steele, Dalmellington; *Secretary*, Rev. George Gladstone, 4 Ann Street, Hillhead, Glasgow; *Treasurer*, Mr. Peter Ferguson, Glasgow.

6. IRELAND.—Organized in 1829. *Chairman*, 1887-8, Rev. S. Hadden, Donachy; *Chairman*, 1888-9, Rev. Alexander Bell, B.A., Londonderry; *Treasurer*, O. R. Bergin, Esq., Cork; *Secretary*, Rev. James Ervine, Kingstown.

7. THE CHANNEL ISLANDS.—Formed in 1882. *Chairman*, J. Woodhouse; *Secretary*, Rev. F. C. Skegg, St. Helier, Jersey.

III. AUSTRALASIA.

1. VICTORIA.—*Chairman*, Rev. W. Currie, Kyneton; *Secretary*, Rev. J. J. Halley, Congregational Hall, Russell Street, Melbourne.

2. NEW SOUTH WALES.—*Chairman*, Rev. James Jeffries, LL. D., Sydney; *Secretaries*, Rev. S. Savage, and Mr. R. W. Hardie, Sydney.

3. QUEENSLAND.—*Chairman*, Rev. J. Walker; *Secretaries*, Rev. T. J. Pepper, and Mr. J. M. Davidson, S. Brisbane.

4. SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—*Chairman*, 1888-9, Rev. A. Jones; *Corresponding-Secretary*, Rev. J. C. McMichael, Adelaide.

5. WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—Revs. A. Buchanan, Bunbury; J. Johnston, Freemantle; T. Kyte, Perth.

6. TASMANIA.—*Chairman*, Rev. G. W. Sharp; *Chairman-elect*, Rev. G. Clark; *Treasurer*, J. E. Salier, Esq.; *Secretary*, Rev. J. W. Simmons, Hobart.

7. NEW ZEALAND.—Established in 1884. *Chairman*, Rev. H. J. Lewis; *General Secretary*, Mr. John Milne, Auckland.

IV. AFRICA.

1. NATAL.—Re-established 1882. *President*, Rev. D. Russell; *Secretary*, Rev. John Fernie, Durban.

2. SOUTH AFRICA.—Formed, 1877. *Chairman*, Rev. J. F. Philip; *Secretary*, Rev. J. Pritchard, Port Elizabeth.

V. WEST INDIES.

1. JAMACIA.—Formed, 1877. *Chairman*, Rev. C. A. Woolkey; *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, J. J. Bowrey, Esq., Kingston.

2. BRITISH GUIANA.—Formed in 1883. *Chairman*, Rev. J. Foreman; *Secretary*, Rev. J. Ketley, Georgetown.

VI. THE UNITED STATES.

1. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES.—Organized 1871. Meets every third year. Last session, 1886. *Moderator*, Lorrin A. Cooke, Connecticut; *Secretary* till 1889, Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Congregational House, Boston. Next meeting of Council, Worcester, Mass., Oct. 9th, 1889.

2 EACH STATE has generally an "Association" or "Conference," of the nature of a Congregational Union. We give the Associations of some of the States most frequented by Canadians, with the *Secretaries*, or other officers, to be addressed by correspondents:

CALIFORNIA General Association. *Secretary*, Rev. Henry E. Jewett, Oakland.

CONNECTICUT General Conference. *Registrar*, Rev. William H. Moore, Hartford.

DAKOTA Association. *Secretary*, Rev. W. B. Hubbard, Chamberlain.

DAKOTA NORTH Association. *Secretary*, Rev. Wm. Ewing, Jamestown.

ILLINOIS General Association. *Registrar* and *Statistical Secretary*, Rev. M. K. Whittlesey, D.D., Ottawa.

INDIANA General Association. *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, Rev. N. A. Hyde, D.D., Indianapolis.

IOWA General Association. *Registrar* and *Treasurer*, Rev. James K. Chase, Hull.

KANSAS General Association. *Registrar*, Rev. Joel Harper, Wichita.

MAINE General Conference. *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. Charles H. Pope, Kennebunkport.

MASSACHUSETTS General Association. *Secretary*, Rev. Henry A. Hazen, Congregational House, Boston.

MICHIGAN General Association. *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, Rev. John P. Sanderson, Detroit.

MINNESOTA General Association. *Secretary* and *Treasurer*, Rev. John B. Fairbank, Morris.

MISSOURI General Association. *Secretary*, Rev. Charles R. Hyde, St. Louis.

NEBRASKA Congregational Association. *Stated Clerk*, Rev. Harmon Bross, Chadron.

NEW HAMPSHIRE General Association. *Secretary*, Rev. Samuel L. Gerould, Goffstown.

NEW JERSEY Congregational Association. *Secretary*, Rev. Frank A. Johnson, Chester.

NEW YORK General Association. *Secretary*, Rev. James Deane, Crown Point.

OHIO Congregational Association. *Registrar* and *Treasurer*, Rev. John G. Fraser, Cleveland.

PENYSLVANIA Congregational Association. *Registrar*, John T. Waid, M.D., Ridgeway.

RHODE ISLAND Congregational Conference. *Stated Secretary*, Rev. Thomas Laurie, D.D., Providence.

VERMONT General Convention. *Corresponding Secretary*, Rev. Azel W. Wild, Charlotte.

WISCONSIN Congregational Conference. *Permanent Clerk*, Rev. Henry A. Miner, Madison.

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THE UNION MEETING AT MONTREAL.

EDITORIAL.

The Thirty-fifth Union gathering was pleasant, harmonious and profitable. Emmanuel Church is what "Zion" was, a strong and good centre to rally round. It is only some poor pastor or delegate from some weak country church, who can fully feel the encouragement and strength of mingling for a week with the members of a vigorous city church. Two of them were lodging together on Dorchester Street, during the Union week, some years ago. "Brother B.," said one of them, "here we are lodged like princes! Don't you think we are in danger of getting proud over it?" "Brother S," said the other, "it seems to me a great instance of Christian humility, that we can spend a week here, with such surroundings, and then go home to our poor little places, and be contented!"

We noticed two or three very *young* delegates. Though the present Union derived no particular benefit from them—for they did not say a word—yet the denomination did! These young men will go home, full of "Union matters," to tell their churches; and they have had an experience worth a year's experience at home, in seeing how affairs are conducted, and in being waked up generally. And a growing number of lady-delegates—four this year—suggests the propriety of placing some of them on committees; probably all of them serve on church-committees of one kind or another, at home. They must not let the suspicion get abroad, that they are merely ornamental members of the Union.

A complaint was made—whether well-founded, we cannot be sure—that there was much sight-seeing among the members, to the neglect of many of the Union meetings. Especially was the thin attendance complained of at the devotional "hour" at the beginning of every day. With the exception of the Reporters and Secretaries, and Convenors of committees, who were probably busy over their notes and minutes, there was no good reason why the members should be absent for the first hour of the session. Perhaps the mention of it—not as an opinion or obser-

vation of the Editor's, but as a general complaint on the part of those who attended—may tend to bring about an amendment in the matter. In the same direction, a complaint was made, not so easy to meet; that of one, two, or three committees being absent, while the session of the Union was being held. Especially in the case of the very large and important Home Missionary Committee. It was pointed out, that that committee could not do its principal work before the Union met, nor after it adjourned; for their action in many cases depended on consultation with ministers and delegates from the particular fields under consideration; and these parties could only be had during the sittings of the Union. Finally, the Rules were amended, so that the Union in future will give more intervals for Committee-work.

The Chairman's Address, and the Annual Sermon, were just what they were expected to be from the men. The Chairman, Rev. John Morton, of Hamilton, in his address, dealt with the question of "How the Church can win over the Masses," in his own sharp and terse manner—wasting no time nor words on mere sentiment or ornament. He said, "We must take our stand beside those who have failed in the fight for bread; who have wandered into evil habits, who have lost their way intellectually. . . . We must sympathize with the problem of existence. The poor are to be considered. The toilers have not enough to make them feel secure. They have formed organizations. These sometimes act unwisely. . . . The Church was to purify the nation by purifying the men and women who composed the nation." He advocated a humane, loving and helpful gospel to man, as the best means of winning the masses.

The Rev. Dr. Barbour, in the opening sermon, spoke of Christ as a model for village and rural preachers. He said, "He was found sitting and teaching in little synagogues, rather than declaiming to vast multitudes. He preached principles, rather than commented upon actions; struck at the heart of things, rather than pruned their surroundings: aimed not so frequently at immediate effect, as at permanent impression. No jest made light His thought; no slang made rude His speech. While constantly varying His style according to need, He varied not the everlasting word." He also spoke of the difficulty he found in imagining Christ among parades and processions in Rome—in the luxuries of palaces and drawing-rooms—or manager of some great ecclesiastical machinery. There was much therefore to encourage the preacher, who in humble circumstances, and among humble people, was endeavoring to save souls.

A third notable utterance was that of Rev. William Cuthbertson, of Woodstock, on the "Events of 1588 and 1688." His word-panorama of the Spanish Armada and its swift destruction —and of William and Toleration, was at once pleasing and instructive, weighty and informing.

Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, too, the genial Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society; and Mrs. Wheeler, a returned missionary from Asiatic Turkey, added much zest to the meetings. The brethren were perhaps a little afraid of Mr. Fielden—remembering the similar visit of the late Mr. Poore, whose wrong-headedness in jumping at conclusions was perhaps only equalled by his conscientiousness; but who nevertheless wronged us—but Mr. Fielden is a different man. With most silvery tones, his careful utterances showed a mind willing to receive impressions, and facile in forming those impressions into opinions and principles; sympathetic with all manner of Christian work—and anxious to learn in America, that he may be able to advise in Europe. Mr. Fielden spoke a number of times—always well, and with much acceptance. Mrs. Wheeler had come over from the United States, at the special request of the Woman's Board of Missions. She said she had been asked to come and help a Missionary infant here; and as a mother in Israel, she felt bound to come. She and her husband, Dr. Wheeler, and others, had been teaching the Armenians the better way of a purer faith; and that faith, in its outward manifestations, was entirely Congregational. Someone asked the native pastor at Harpoot, "Why he was Congregational?" His answer could not have been better, if he had pondered over it a year; he said, "Because the Book of Acts is Congregational!"

The luncheons in the basement were pleasant features. Formerly, there was usually one luncheon during the Union; but this year, each day of full sittings. The three churches furnished an ample number of young ladies to wait on the tables; who, with jaunty white caps—and a persuasive eloquence (a little in the interest of over-feeding and dyspepsia!) were everywhere flitting about. Of course the pastor, who presided, Rev. F. H. Marling, seized the half-hour or more, following the repast, to introduce three or four speakers each day it was desirable to hear, and for whom room could be more readily found there than in the Union proper.

The Union is becoming the centre of a considerable number of societies. For two sessions, the Woman's Board has added one more new society. And it is very vigorous. They report their

meetings in Calvary Church, to have been harmonious and enthusiastic. Few of us were able to get a half-hour to drop in and hear them. Their Reports will be read with much interest.

There were several new faces at the Union. The three or four English brethren Mr. Hall had sent out, have all found places, and give promise of good work. And the old faces are becoming older, and more thoughtful; the fathers are passing away, and the younger brethren are becoming "the fathers" in their turn. Last year we missed many accustomed faces; and heard of many vacancies in the field. This year, we thought there were fewer faces missing; and there was scarcely a vacancy that was not filled. One or two brethren go to the United States every year; but then, as in the case of Drs. Barbour and Barnes, we sometimes get a return the other way!

A fair opening has been made in the North-West. From the distance, and the inadvisability of leaving their new-entered fields, none of those brethren were with us—they are no doubt planning a grand descent upon us next year—but their work was remembered and sympathized with. On every hand there was more of encouragement, self-reliance, consolidation, and the conviction that God has a place, and a work, and a blessing for us, in the land.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

REV. LUDWICK KRIBS.

The Rev. Ludwick Kribs was of German stock, and was born in the township of Barton, near Hamilton, on the 19th of February, 1812. His father, David Kribs, was a farmer. Some years later, during the boyhood of our friend, the father moved to the then new township of Eramosa, in the County of Wellington. Here Mr. Kribs grew up, following the plough.

At his father's house, under the preaching there of some visiting American Presbyterian minister, he was brought to the truth as it is in Jesus, in some revival meetings; and at once began using such gifts as he had, to proclaim salvation to others. The first Congregational preaching in the township was at his father's house, Rev. Hiram Denny being the preacher; and the Kribs family became the nucleus of what is now the Congregational Church at Speedside, in Eramosa. The same year, 1833, he married Miss Hagar McMillan. In 1837, Mr. Kribs began to take lessons in Theology from Rev. Adam Lillie, then pastor of a small church in Brantford; so that, in addition to originating the *telephone*, Brantford has the honor also of originating the Congregational College. In 1838, Mr. Lillie removed to Dundas, and Mr. Kribs accompanied him. Rev. David Dyer, who had been pastor of the Hamilton Congregational Church, and also preached in the Barton Presbyterian Church, removed, and Mr. Lillie was invited to supply the Hamilton Church, and Mr. Kribs to preach in Barton. This continued for a year or more, when in the autumn of 1840, Mr. Lillie removed the "Theological Institute" to Toronto. Soon James Vincent, Edward Ebbs, and Thos. Hodgkin joined the student-band. The students found a prayer-meeting regularly held at the house of Deacon James Wickson. At one of the meetings it was resolved to form themselves into a Congregational Missionary Society. Mr. E. Ebbs was the first secretary; and Mr. S. King the first treasurer. When student Kribs had finished his college course, the "Missionary Society" gave him $20. He now moved to the village of Stouffville, where he was soon engaged in building a frame church. He was the builder of several country churches.

He was at Stouffville about twelve years; and for some years he did not receive $50 annually from his people! Mr. Kribs was a man of resources; and when church-salary there was none, he did a little surveying and conveyancing, and perhaps still more of house-carpentry. Having also preserved the use of his ancestral tongue, he was in great request among the Pennsylvania-German settlers in Markham (the township where he was), for celebrating marriages—they greatly preferring one who could do it in "*Deutsch*." And though the fee was generally small, their number made up for it.

In 1851 or '52, he went up to Colpoy's Bay, about the spot where the P.O. name "Oxenden" is found on the maps, as a missionary among the Ojibway Indians. Here, he built himself a house, and constructed with his own hands a stern-wheel steamer, 50 or 60 feet in length, flat bottomed, as

a means of communication with the white settlement at Owen Sound. In August or September, 1854, he removed his family to Owen Sound, and began preaching there; still superintending the work among the Indians.

In March, 1855, a church of fourteen members was formed in Owen Sound, with Mr. Kribs for its pastor.

He was highly respected in the town, as a man of sterling character, a good preacher, and a very public-spirited man. He got seven or eight acres of bush-land within the town plot, and built himself a house. He was always most fertile in resources: a many-sided man.

When the land at Colpoy's Bay was sold, in 1857, he bought a water lot, two miles N. E. of where Wiarton now is, and he built a "mill" on it. Three or four other families went with him from Owen Sound, and made a Congregational settlement. His mill was only furnished with a pair of three-feet granite stones, and his "boult" was a trough of narrow boards, hung by a rope at each end, and with boulting-cloth on the bottom, and vigorously shaken from one end by the "miller!"

He was there about twelve years. In the meantime, his neighbors would have him act as Reeve of the ("united") new townships; and he used to go all the way to Goderich to attend the County Council. His neighbors and friends were the nucleus of what is now a good working Congregational Church at Wiarton. In the end of 1869, the church at Listowel got him to move there to become their pastor. It was not all plain sailing there: he got into collision with the Materialists, and started a periodical to combat them. Here, again, he built himself a house.

In the summer of 1872, he went to the valley of the Red River, in Minnesota, and we, in a large degree, lost sight of him. We saw an occasional letter from him in a Canadian local paper, or heard of him writing to some old friend, but that was all. He had land there, and several sons-in-law and relatives settled around him.

The Northern Pacific Railroad had then just been completed as far as the Red River, and everything was new and rough. Ministers were few, and he began preaching occasionally, and soon was in the employ of the American Home Missionary Society. For several years he supplied two churches regularly. One of these he gathered and organized. In the meantime, the free "Homestead" he had settled on was daily improving. A minister who writes from that quarter says, "*He was never idle;* and could do almost anything that needed to be done!"

On the 24th January, 1883, he and his wife celebrated their golden wedding; and they lived on together nearly five years more. Mrs. Kribs had died a few weeks before; and Mr. Kribs died on the 16th December, 1887, at his home in Hawley, Clay Co., Minnesota. He was ill three weeks. His eldest daughter says in a letter, "He suffered very much; his mind seemed all gone; he was like a little child. The doctor never gave us any hopes from the first. He had inflammation of the kidneys and bladder; and his lungs and heart were affected; and his age was against him." In his last sufferings, though so distressing for his family to behold, he was entirely unconscious of suffering himself.

His family consisted of three daughters and one son; the son being the youngest. Mr. Kribs was a large, strong-built man, with a deep voice. A manly, frank, friendly, independent man. Many a tale he told of how the Lord had blessed his labors in the conversion of both whites and Indians.

But he seldom said anything about his many and long-continued hardships. He was always *planning* something—machinery, improvements, buildings, or something.

Mr. Kribs' adventures, character and works sometimes created a romantic interest in those who heard him. On one occasion, he quite carried away his audience in Zion Church, Toronto, with enthusiasm, as he told them of returning, among snow, from a distant visit to the Indians through the wild forest, when one *ankle gave out*. The only way he could lift his foot was to get a strap of *bark*, for a sort of a "stirrup," and *lift* his foot with his hand, by regularly pulling on the strap! And when, from the limestone cliffs overlooking Colpoy's Bay, he saw his house at a distance, he thought of the verse,

"As when the weary traveller gains,
The height of some commanding hill;
His heart revives, if o'er the plains
He sees his home, though distant still!"

and struggled on again, for home!

He was, in every respect, a model pioneer missionary. He always commanded his own spirit; and, so doing, was able to command other men It never seemed necessary for him to seek advice from anyone: but he always had good advice to give. He served One who was invisible; and all his troubles, and hardships, and adventures were lightly borne. "He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him."

REV. RICHARD M. BURGESS.

The Rev. William Burgess was one of those useful and obscure rural pastors in England, who do so much good of which the great world knows nothing. In advanced middle age, he emigrated to Canada, bringing with him a wife and seven boys. After remaining some time in Southwold, he bought a tract of wild land, twenty-seven miles S. W. of Chatham, only a few miles from Lake Erie. Good land, with a great future; but covered with most tremendous trees, and liable to flooding in the spring; flat and rich. A bad position to be in, for an elderly man, of slight frame, and unused to rough work; with a number of boys without Canadian experience. Yet the hand of God was in it. They managed to get some clearings made; and when we saw them, and spent two days with them, eight or ten years after they first came there, they had a decent log house, some kind of a barn, sixty acres cleared, and the respect of all their neighbors!

We preached for Mr. Burgess morning and evening. Four sons, of whom Richard was one, led the service of song; two of them on *flutes;* for they were all musical. Several townships round about were settled mostly by French-Canadians, all Catholics. But from Mr. Burgess being there, a number of English immigrant families had come in, and they helped to build up the cause. Richard told me of a visit an Indian Chief had paid them, a short time before. The great man came mounted; and on the back of his Indian pony he had strapped a saddle of his own construction; made of maple *wood*, artistically carved, with peak and pommel; and on that he was perched.

Richard M. Burgess was born in 1852. Two or three years after the date of our visit, he entered the Congregational College at Montreal, where

he spent one session, and then went to Bangor for two sessions ; and from there he went to Oberlin College, where he spent two sessions. In 1875 he was ordained Pastor of the Congregational Church in Exira, Iowa, where he labored for about three years. He then came to Michigan, and served the Home Mission churches faithfully from that time. He was Pastor at White Rock and Minden ; then at Ohio ; then at Alba, where he remained for four years. From Alba he was called to South Haven, where he had just begun his labors, when, taking a severe cold, he was laid up with pneumonia, which, after a painful illness of two or three weeks, terminated his life at the early age of thirty-six.

His remains were brought to Tilbury and laid beside his parents in the family lot. He leaves a young wife, to whom he was married about two years ago, and in whom he had a true and earnest help-meet in the work for the Master.

Mrs. Love, of Detroit, President of the Women's Branch of the Home Missionary Society, attended the funeral, where, through Rev. W. H. A. Claris, who conducted the services, she testified in behalf of the Home Missionary Society, to the loving respect and appreciation in which Mr. Burgess had been held by the churches and ministers of Michigan, and for them she tendered their sympathy to the wife and mourning relatives.

At the great gathering of the American Home Missionary Society (Congregational), in their Annual Meeting at Saratoga this year, one of the speakers, Rev. W. G. Puddefoot, of Traverse City, thus spoke :

"It is now eight years since I stood for the first time to address a Congregational State Association in Michigan. The other speaker of the evening was a young Home Missionary, Rev. R. M. Burgess. The young man was full of life and hope, and pleasantly alluded to the name of his town, which was Bad Axe. He said it was a shame, as the next town was Grindstone City, and then he gave an interesting account of his home missionary experiences. That was but eight years ago and to-day his body lies under the turf, and his young widow mourns for her love for whom she waited so long only to lose so soon ! I have not time to give many illustrations, but this case is a sample of many, and I will try and tell his story in a few words. He commenced his work in Minden, Michigan. He was there through that period [Sept., 1881], when the forest fires devastated the country far and wide. He remained unmarried for some years, because, out of his generous heart, he had used money for other's woes that would have started him in married life earlier. His wife was in every way worthy of him, and entered heart and soul into the work at Alba. The people were poor, and out of our brother's scanty store went money for the church that should have gone for the necessaries of life. At times, through the winter, they suffered from the lack of suitable food and clothing ; and at last the young wife sold her wedding-dress to buy a much-needed overcoat for her husband. In the spring a call came to a sunnier clime, and with renewed hope the young couple started anew. But, alas ! pneumonia seized upon his weakened frame, and, although the physician checked it, he was too low to recover, and passed to his reward at the age of thirty-six. And now, here is but one case of many ; and, humbly speaking, *one that gold could have saved*"

MR. ALEXANDER MCLAGAN, OF SARNIA, ONT.

In the death of Mr. McLagan, which took place on Sabbath, the 29th

April, 1888, at 10 a.m., in the 89th year of his age, the Town of Sarnia has lost one of its most highly esteemed and useful citizens, and the Congregational Church, its oldest, most attached and faithful member and deacon. Mr. McLagan was born near Dunkeld, Perthshire, Scotland, in February, 1800. While yet but a young man he united with the Congregational Church at Dunkeld, of which our late venerated father, Rev. John Black, was then the pastor. For fifteen years he adorned the fellowship of the church, serving it, during most of the time, in the capacity of deacon and Sabbath School teacher.

In the year 1847, in company with his wife, three sons and three daughters, he crossed the Atlantic, arriving in Sarnia on the 7th November. In the same ship that brought him over, came also the mother and brothers of the Hon. Alex. McKenzie, late Premier of the Dominion, and at that time, one of the rising young men of Sarnia. Those who were his companions in travel had also been his friends and fellow-townsmen in the Old Country. After his arrival at Sarnia, Mr. McLagan united with the Congregational Church, then under the pastoral care of the Rev. Mr. Nall, and subsequently ministered to by the Rev. Archibald Geikie, the father of the well-known Dr Cunningham Geikie, author of the "Life of Christ." Of this church, Mr. McLagan was made a deacon and a Sabbath School teacher. Indeed, in the earlier history of the church, and for many years, he voluntarily, and without remuneration, did the duty of sexton, providing the oil for the church at his own expense.

For forty years, and during all the very trying vicissitudes of the church's history, Mr. McLagan stuck to it to the last. Many wavered, but he never wavered. In times of difficulty, when many left the church to join more prosperous churches, he never left it. During the nine years that the church was practically defunct, and the church building closed, Mr. McLagan, though regularly worshipping with other congregations, was known as a Congregationalist; and when Mr. Claris came to resuscitate the cause, he was one of the very few who answered to the roll-call, and assisted in rallying the scattered forces. By that frugality, industry and enterprise which is characteristic of his countrymen, Mr. McLagan attained to the possession of considerable property; but in an evil hour, by an endorsation for a near relative who failed in business, he lost it all. His conduct on this trying occasion was most honorable: he scorned to resort to any of those reprehensible methods by which many men seek to save themselves from poverty. He frankly gave up all to his creditors, and, though his over-indulgence cost him the fruits of many years of toil, he emerged from the cloud with his honor untarnished and his fair name unsullied, but too old to be able to retrieve his shattered fortunes. But for this disaster, which happened while the new Congregational Church in Sarnia was building, that church would have been at least a *thousand dollars* less burdened with debt than it is to-day.

Mr. McLagan's qualities of head and heart were many and conspicuous, and may be thus epitomized: He was a faithful friend, a diligent student of the Word of God, an earnest worker in the Church of Christ, a liberal giver to the cause of God, and a man of prayer. His sympathies were as catholic as his attachment to his own denomination was sincere. He was a man of fine presence, and blessed with almost invariable good health. To the last, and even after death, his countenance retained that ruddy glow of health which is peculiar to those who come from the Old Country. It pleased our

Heavenly Father to give unto His honored servant a very peaceful and comparatively painless departure. Prostrated by a very slight stroke of paralysis, on the Thursday afternoon, he lay without suffering pain, and able to recognize his friends, and to answer their enquiries until Sabbath morning, when, with scarce a struggle, he quietly fell asleep in Jesus A large number of sympathizing friends followed the remains to their last resting-place in Lake View Cemetery, on the following Tuesday afternoon. A good congregation gathered in the Congregational Church on the morning of May the 6th, when the pastor made improvement of the bereavement, taking for his subject the parting scene between the prophets Elijah and Elisha, II Kings, ii : 9-10, "And it came to pass when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee before I be taken from thee," etc.

Mr. McLagan's widow still survives him, at the age of eighty-four, and is cared for by two unmarried daughters ; and, singular to say, this is the first break in the family circle. The three sons and three daughters whom he brought across the sea still survive. Three remain in Sarnia and three are in the United States.

Sarnia. ROBERT K. BLACK.

MR. JOSEPH BARBER, OF GEORGETOWN, ONT.

Mr. Joseph Barber, for a long series of years a member and deacon of the Congregational Church in Georgetown, was born in the year 1815 He and his brother James learned the business of paper-making, in the establishment of the late Hon. James Crooks, of West Flamboro (father of the late Hon Adam Crooks, Minister of Education for Ontario). Then the brothers began business for themselves in Georgetown ; and were always ready to adopt every new improvement in their art. And there *have* been improvements since the day Mr. Crooks taught them to make foolscap paper in a *hand-seive*.' We remember being in their works one fine spring morning, very early in the "sixties" ; when they had reduced a basswood log to chips, in a turning-lathe, and had pulped it, and turned out the first sheet of paper ever made in Canada from wood. We put a piece of it in our pocket, and thought we would remember the circumstance. The brothers afterward dissolved partnership ; and for some years Joseph was not personally engaged in manufacturing. His estimable wife, a standard-bearer in every good work undertaken by the church, died a few years ago, after protracted suffering from cancer. A beautiful and costly memorial window in the church at Georgetown testified the devotion to her memory of the surviving husband. Mr. Barber was a kind-hearted, frank and generous man ; not without some failings, but beloved in spite of them ; devoted to the interests of the church, and revered by a numerous and highly-respected family. He died suddenly, on Saturday morning, 7th January, 1888, at the age of seventy-two.

MR. WILLIAM FIELD, OF COBOURG, ONT.

William Field was born in Tiverton, Devonshire, Eng., on the 25th of March, 1828. He emigrated to Canada with his father and brothers in 1834, and has resided in Cobourg almost continuously ever since. He was educated at the District Grammar School and Victoria College, and spent two sessions in the Congregational Theological College, intending to enter the ministry. But he abandoned that intention, and went into the tanning

business in Cobourg. Latterly he had been engaged in the large dry goods house of Field & Bro. At one time he was President of the Reform Association of West Northumberland, and his inaugural address was published in the *Globe* and copied extensively into the Provincial papers. He was fluent in language, logical in argument, and scholarly in diction. It was a treat to hear him discuss any theological or political question. A devoted wife, daughter of the venerable John Toms, Esq., of Newcastle, and six children, survive one who lived and died without an enemy.

His pastor, Rev. Robert Aylward, said of him, "In life he was uniformly cheerful—often playful; there was yet a substratum of piety which those who knew him best loved to recognize. He served us well and faithfully in this church. For many years he sang in our choir. He will be missed there. It will not be easy to fill his place. And yet we dare not repine. God's will be done. The voice, now silent with us, is tuned to another song in heaven."

MR. FRANK H. JORDAN, OF ST. JOHN, N. B.

Died in February or March, 1888, suddenly, Mr. Frank H. Jordan, an exemplary Christian and faithful member of the St. John Congregational Church. The funeral services were held at his father's house, and at the church, by his pastor, Rev. J. B. Saer, B.D. In the course of his remarks, Mr. Saer said, "It is not greatness of talent, or position, or wealth, but goodness that is rewarded; not success, but faithfulness; not emotion, but service by the mind and conscience, by the heart and hand. Mr. Jordan was not great in achievements, or wealth, or social position. His unpretentious life was in full accord with the description Christ gave of Christian character. He was the preacher's faithful and true friend, and it was as a friend he spoke of the deceased. He had loved him for his unobtrusive kindness of heart, for the simplicity, sincerity and purity of his life, for the constancy of his devotion to spiritual matters, and for the Christ-like character he always manifested. He sought to do good, and no person could tell how much good he had done. He was a good son, a good brother, a good friend and a good Christian; and now lives in a sweeter and purer realm than this.

"Mr. Jordan lived so as to be missed. He will be missed in his home, in the Y.M.C.A., in the social circle, and in the city. The world is poorer by his death. There is one less to do the work of life. We will miss him in the church, in the prayer-meetings and in the communion. May his spirit of consecration abide with us. On the 3rd of May, 1876, he made a public profession of faith, and from that time until his death he lived a Christian life. A death-bed repentance would have been almost an impossibility in his case. He offered not the dregs of life, but his consecrated manhood to the service of Christ."

MR. IRA WHITE, OF UNIONVILLE, ONT.

Died at Spring Water Mills, Yarmouth, Ont., on the 5th of August, 1887, in the 92nd year of his age—Ira White, J.P., senior deacon of the Congregational Church, Unionville, Ont. A long life filled with labors, inspired by an elevating ambition, crowded with important events, brilliant with intelligence and grace, and crowned with success, closed when God said,

"It is enough, come up higher." His remains were brought to Unionville, York County, to the residence of his son-in-law, H. Crosby, ex-M.P.P., and on Sunday following were carried into the Presbyterian Church—a church which he had helped to build for the Congregationalists when a resident of Unionville, and from thence, to the Cedar Grove cemetery, where they were laid to rest by the side of his first wife, and Anthony, his son; the pastor of the Congregational Church officiating. Six of his grandsons were pall bearers.

Ira White was born in the County of Orin, New York State, on the 21st January, 1796. He was naturally a business man, having large business ideas, which, by handling, became well developed, took practical shape, and were lasting. He assisted when a young man in building many of the best grist mills in his native State. In 1819 he came to Canada, and built in succession the first grist mills in Galt, Preston, Woolwich, Stouffville, Cedar Grove, German Mills, Markham and Unionville; also a mill on the 10th concession of Markham, long known as White's Mill. Surely he was in labors abundant; but his untiring energy found wider scope. There was something dear to him above the business idea—the religious life. He organized the first Sunday School in Unionville. He was a staunch Congregationalist, and was one of the leading spirits in the organization of the Congregational churches in Stouffville, Markham and Unionville. His activity and liberality in church work are "known to all men." His career was that of a pioneer Congregationalist. For upwards of fifty years he was a deacon in the Unionville church, which position he held at the time of his death, possessing fully the confidence of his brethren. About thirty years ago, he retired from active life, to enjoy a serene and happy old age. He leaves a second wife, three sons and one daughter—Trueman P., Benjamin F., Albert, and Mrs. H. P. Crosby, in addition to a host of other relatives and friends to revere and cherish his memory. "Sweet is the sleep of the just." I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.—2 Tim. iv.: 7.

W. F. W.

MR. RICHARD PIM, SR., OF TORONTO.

The subject of this brief memoir was born at Two Waters, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, England, on the twentieth day of December, 1809. A portion of his early life was spent in Russia, whither his father had gone to erect paper mills at Petershoff, near St. Petersburg, for the Government of the Czar. After the death of his father, he, with his mother and the rest of the family, returned to England. In the year 1833, he was married to Mary Hargraves, granddaughter of William Lane, a poet of considerable local fame in Buckinghamshire. In the same year he sailed for Canada, in the good ship "Hope": which, after a favorable ocean voyage, was wrecked upon a barren island in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The passengers, with officers and crew, were, after many privations, rescued and taken to Sydney, Cape Breton, and from thence to their destination, Quebec.

After a short residence in Quebec and Montreal, he made Niagara Falls his home from 1834 to 1838; consequently, he saw stirring times on the Niagara frontier during the rebellion of 1837, when the "Caroline" was captured, fired, and sent over the Falls by an attacking party, led by Capt. Drew. It was also during the time of his residence here, that he, by the grace of God, was brought to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus; and united himself with the Lord's people on confession of faith.

After a sojourn at the Falls of four years, he came to Toronto to reside, and became a member of the First Congregational Church (now called "Zion Church"), during the early part of the pastorate of the late Rev. John Roaf. He continued to reside in Toronto until the time of his decease; excepting, however, two prolonged sojourns in the land of his nativity; but did not sever his connection with the "mother church." After a connection with the church on earth of more than half a century, he departed this life on the 14th day of February, 1888, in his 79th year, in the joyous hope of joining the church of the First-born above, there to spend a blissful immortality.

The departed husband and father leaves a widow, who was his companion and helper for fifty-five years, and who shared with him the joys and sorrows of a changeful and somewhat eventful life. He also leaves a family of six children, and there are sixteen grandchildren

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MR. WILLIAM M'CLELLAN, OF ALTON, ONT.

William McClellan, the founder of the village of Alton, was born in the township of Stamford, in the county of Welland, in 1804 In 1828 he married Miss Emmeline Unger, and lived in happy union for 58 years, and settled in the northern backwoods of Caledon. In the year 1845 he erected a carding and cloth-dressing mill. This was the starting point of what is now the thriving village of Alton In character he was inoffensive, a good neighbor and very friendly to the farmers who came many miles with their wool to be prepared for the clothing of our early settlers It is said he was generous to the persons who could not pay when their cloth was dressed, and lost a large amount of money through his kindness. He was one of the first members of the Congregational Church organized over thirty years ago in Alton, and was a deacon for a number of years, and remained on the roll of membership until the day of his death. He died January 21st, 1888. His remains were carried to the grave by six grandsons, followed by a large concourse of friends. An appropriate sermon was preached by the Rev. M. S. Gray, from Ps. xxxvii. 37: "Mark the perfect man and behold the upright; for the end of that man is peace"

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CONSTITUTION.

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 or received at a general meeting, and those laymen who have been Chairmen of the Union and are members in any of their churches.

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

IV.—That the following are the objects contemplated in its formation.—1. To promote evangelical religion in connection with the Congregational denomination. 2. To cultivate brotherly affection and co-operation in everything relating to the interest of the associated churches. 3. To establish a fraternal correspondence with 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 at any annual meeting, provided that notice of such alterations has been given at the meeting next preceding.

STANDING RULES.

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

2.—The Union shall meet annually on the Wednesday after the first Sabbath in June, at 10 a.m., when the annual sermon will be delivered, after which the Union shall be organized under the presidency of the Chairman, or, failing him, a chairman *pro tem.* to be chosen by the Union; by the election of minute secretaries and reporters, the calling of the roll, the appointment of standing committees on business, membership, nomination and finance, on nomination by the committee of the Union. The chairman for the next year shall then be elected by ballot without nomination. For this purpose ballot papers shall be furnished by the Statistical Secretary to all ministers and delegates in attendance at the annual meeting, and these ballots when cast shall be counted by scrutineers appointed by the Union Committee. If at the first ballot no candidate shall have received a majority of the votes cast, then the names of the two candidates having the highest number of votes shall be declared, and the balloting further proceeded with.

3.—The committee of the Union shall then present their annual report.

4.—Wednesday afternoon shall be devoted to the work of the various committees, during which time the Union shall stand adjourned. On Wednesday evening the Chairman's Address shall be delivered.

5.—Thursday morning shall be given to the Canada Congregational Missionary Society for the purposes of its annual meeting.

6.—On Friday evening, a conference on the State of Religion shall be held, at which the Statistical Secretaries shall submit their annual reports.

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

8.—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.

9.—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.

10.—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.

11.—On Monday evening, during the sitting of the Union, a public meeting of the Union shall be held.

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

13.—A collection for the funds of the Union shall be made annually in each church, on or near the Lord's Day prior to the meeting. From this source, the finance committee, after providing for other necessary expenses, shall pay, in full, if possible, the travelling fares of (1) ministerial members who are pastors or members of Congregational Churches within the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec; and (2) one delegate from each church contributing not less than the sum of five dollars to its funds; or, if unable to pay in full, shall deduct from the claim of each, such equal amount as may be found necessary; such payment not to be made until after the final adjournment, except with leave of the Union.

14.—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.

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

STATEMENT OF DOCTRINE AND CONFESSION OF FAITH.

Adopted by the Union at its Annual Meeting at Ottawa, 8th June, 1886.

DOCTRINAL STATEMENT.

I. We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible ;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, who is of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made ;

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who is sent from the Father and Son, and who together with the Father and Son is worshipped and glorified.

II. We believe that the Providence of God, by which He executes His eternal purposes in the government of the world, is in and over all events ; yet so that the freedom and responsibility of man are not impaired, and sin is the act of the creature alone.

III. We believe that man was made in the image of God, that he might know, love and obey God and enjoy him forever ; that our first parents by disobedience fell under the righteous condemnation of God ; and that all men are so alienated from God that there is no salvation from the guilt and power of sin except through God's redeeming grace.

IV. We believe that God would have all men return to him ; that to this end He has made Himself known, not only through the works of nature, the course of His providence, and the consciences of men, but also through supernatural revelations made especially to a chosen people, and above all, when the fulness of time was come, through Jesus Christ His Son.

V. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the record of God's revelation of Himself in the work of redemption ; that they were written by men under the special guidance of the Holy Spirit ; that they are able to make wise unto salvation ; and they they constitute the authoritative standard by which religious teaching and human conduct are to be regulated and judged.

VI. We believe that the love of God to sinful men has found its highest expression in the redemptive work of His Son ; who became man, uniting His divine nature with our human nature in one person ; who was tempted like other men, yet without sin ; who, by His humiliation, His holy obedience, His sufferings, His death on the cross, and His resurrection, became a perfect Redeemer ; whose sacrifice of Himself for the sins of the world declares the righteousness of God, and is the sole and sufficient ground of forgiveness and of reconciliation with Him.

VII. We believe that Jesus Christ, after he had risen from the dead, ascended into heaven, where, as the one Mediator between God and man, He carries forward His work of saving men ; that He sends the Holy Spirit to convict them of sin, and to lead them to repentance and faith ; and that those who, through renewing grace turn to righteousness, and trust in Jesus Christ as their Redeemer, receive for His sake the forgiveness of their sins, and are made the children of God.

VIII. We believe that those who are thus regenerated and justified, grow in sanctified character through fellowship with Christ, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and obedience to the truth; that a holy life is the fruit and evidence of saving faith; and that the believer's hope of continuance in such a life is in the preserving grace of God.

IX. We believe that Jesus Christ came to establish among men the kingdom of God, the reign of truth and love, righteousness and peace; that to Jesus Christ, the Head of this kingdom, Christians are directly responsible in faith and conduct; and that to Him all have immediate access without mediatorial or priestly intervention.

X. We believe that the Church of Christ, invisible and spiritual, comprises all true believers, whose duty it is to associate themselves in churches, for the maintenance of worship, for the promotion of spiritnal growth and fellowship, and for the conversion of men; that these churches, under the guidance of the Holy Scriptures and in fellowship with one another, may determine each for itself—their organization, statements of belief, and forms of worship, may appoint and set apart their own ministers, and should co-operate in the work which Christ has committed to them for the furtherance of the gospel throughout the world.

XI. We believe in the observance of the Lord's day, as a day of holy rest and worship; in the ministry of the Word; and in the two sacraments, which Christ has appointed for His church: Baptism, to be administered to believers and children, as the sign of cleansing from sin, of Union to Christ and of the impartation of the Holy Spirit; and the Lord's Supper as a symbol of His atoning death, a seal of its efficacy, and a means whereby He confirms and strengthens the spiritual union and communion of believers with Himself.

XII. We believe in the ultimate prevalence of the kingdom of Christ over all the earth; in the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; in the resurrection of the dead; and in a final judgment, the issues of which are everlasting punishment and everlasting life.

The Union also submits for the use of the churches in the admission of members, the following

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me? I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows unto the Lord now in the presence of all His people. [Ps cxvi. 12-14].

Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny Me before men, him will I also deny before my Father, which is in heaven. [Matt. x: 32-33].

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. [Rom. x: 10].

Dearly beloved, called of God to be His children through Jesus Christ our Lord, you are here that, in the presence of God and His people, you may enter into the fellowship and communion of His Church. You do truly repent of your sins; you heartily receive Jesus Christ as your crucified Saviour and risen Lord, you consecrate yourself unto God and your life to His service; you accept His Word as your law, and His Spirit as your Comforter and Guide; and, trusting in His grace to confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, you promise to do God's holy will, and to walk with this church in the truth and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Accepting according to the measure of your understanding of it, the system of Christian truth held by the churches of our faith and order, and by this church into whose fellowship you now enter; you join with ancient saints, with the church throughout the world, and with us, your fellow believers, in humbly and heartily confessing your faith in the gospel, saying:

I BELIEVE in God the FATHER Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in JESUS CHRIST His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the HOLY GHOST, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the HOLY GHOST; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

[Then should baptism be administered to those who have not been baptized. Then should those rise who would unite with the church by letter. To them the minister should say]:

Confessing the Lord whom we unitedly worship, you do now renew your self-consecration, and join with us cordially in this, our Christian faith and covenant.

[The members of the church present should rise].

We welcome you into our fellowship. We promise to watch over you with Christian love. God grant that, loving and being loved, serving and being served, blessing and being blessed, we may be prepared, while we dwell together on earth, for the perfect communion of the saints in heaven.

"Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen." [Hebrews xiii: 20-21]

[Jude 24-25 is proposed as an alternative benediction].

RESOLUTIONS IN REFERENCE TO COUNCILS.

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

1. That previous to the formation of a new church of our order, a Council of pastors and delegates of sister churches should be called by the parties desiring to be so formed into such a church, and that statements and documents relating to the proposed organization should be presented to the Council thus formed, and its advice in the matter sought.

2. That in the ordination, recognition or installation of pastors, and in the setting apart of evangelists in or among our churches, the church over whom the pastor is to be placed, or of which the evangelist is a member, should call a Council, before whom shall be laid the call of the church, and the credentials of the pastor-elect, or of the evangelist, as the case may be, and the advice of the Council sought in relation thereto.

3. That a Council consists of the representatives of churches, not individuals, and it is expedient that each church consulted should be represented by its pastor and a delegate, and should embrace, though not exclusively, the sister Congregational churches contiguous to the church or people seeking advice.

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS OF THE UNION.

Adams, L. P., Fitch Bay, Que.
Allworth, W. H.
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Beaton, D.
Black, R. K., Sarnia, Ont.
Black, J. R., B.A., Barrie, Ont.
Bolton, E. C., Wiarton, Ont.
Bowen, T. W., Manilla, Ont.
Brainard, E. R.
Burgess, W.
Burton, J., B.D., Toronto, Ont.
Clarke, W. F., Guelph, Ont.
Claris, W. H. A., Frome, Ont.
Colclough, J.
Cornish, G., LL.D., Montreal, Que.
Cuthbertson, W., B.A., Woodstock, O.
Davey, Frank, Alton, Ont.
Day, B. W., Lanark, Ont.
Dixon, Joseph.
Duff, Charles, M.A., Toronto, Ont.
Fuller, George, Brantford, Ont.
Gerrie, A. W., Portage la Prairie, M.
Gerrie, J. P., Stratford, Ont.
Gunner, Fred, M.D., Listowel, Ont.
Hall, Thomas, Kingston, Ont.
Hay, Robert, Watford, Ont.
Hay, Willlam, Scotland, Ont.
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Hindley, J. I., M.A., Granby, Que.
Hunter, H. D., M.A., London, Ont.
Jackson, S. N., M.D., Kingston, O.
Macallum, D., St. Elmo, Ont.
Main, A. W., Belleville, Ont.
MacColl, E.C.W., M.A., Middleville, O.
McAdie, J., St. Andrews, Que.
McFadyen, A. L., B.A., Kingston, O.
McGill, A. M. A., Ryckman's Cor., O.
McGregor, A. F., B.A., Toronto, O.
McGregor, Duncan, M.A., Guelph, O.
McIntyre, H. A., B.D., Montreal, Q.
McKillican, John Montreal, Que.
McKinnon, J., Pilot Mound, Man.
Marling, F. H., Montreal, Que.
Morton, J., Hamilton, Ont.
Pedley, H., B.A., Winnipeg, Man.
Pedley, C. S., B.A.
Pedley, J.W., B.A., Vancouver, B.C.
Purkis, G., Waterville, Que.
Rivard, A. F., Belle River, Que.
Robertson, Geo., B.A., Toronto, O.
Richardson, A.W., B.A., The Grange P.O., Ont.
Ross, C. L., Kincardine, Ont.
Salmon, John, B.A., Toronto, Ont.
Sanderson, J. G., Danville, Que.
Silcox, E. D., Embro, Ont.
Skinner, George, Eaton, Que.
Smith, W. W., Newmarket, Ont.
Stevenson, J. F., D.D.
Unsworth, J., Stouffville, Ont.
Unsworth, J. K., B.A., Paris, Ont.
Warriner, W.H., B.D., Bowmanville, Ont.
Way, W. H.
Webb, James, New Durham, Ont.
White, James, Forest, Ont.
Wild, Joseph, D.D., Toronto, Ont.
Willett, George, Cowansville, Que.
Wood, John, Ottawa, Ont.
Wright, J. C., Belwood, Ont.

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New Durham, Ont.
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, Cowansville, Que.
Ottawa, Ont.
Belwood, Ont.

CHURCHES CONNECTED WITH THE UNION.

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Belleville, Ont.
Belwood, Ont.
Bowmanville, Ont.
Brantford, Ont.
Brigham, Que.
Brockville, Ont.
Burford, Ont.
Caledon, South, Ont.
Canifton, Ont.
Cobourg, Ont.
Coldsprings, Ont.
Cowansville, Que.
Danville, Que.
Durham, Que.
Eaton, Que.
Edgar, Ont.
Embro, Ont.
Erin, North, Ont.
Fergus, Ont.
Forest, Ont.
Franklin Centre, Que.
Frome, Ont.
Garafraxa, First, Ont.
Georgetown, Ont.
Granby, Que.
Guelph, Ont.
Hamilton, Ont.
Hawkesbury, Ont.
Howick, First, Ont.
Humber Summit, Ont.
Inverness, Que.
Kelvin, Ont.
Kincardine, Ont.
Kingston, First, Ont.
" Second, Ont.
Lanark Village, Ont.
Listowel, Ont.
London, Ont.
Manilla, Ont.
Martintown, Ont.
Maxville, Ont.
Melbourne, Que.
Middleville & Rosetta, O.
Montreal, Zion, Que.
" Emmanuel, Q.
" Calvary, Que.
Newmarket, Ont.
New Durham, Ont.
Ottawa, Ont.
Owen Sound, Ont.
Paris, Ont.
Parkdale, Ont.
Pine Grove, Ont.
Quebec, Que.
Rugby, Ont.
Sarnia, Ont.
Scotland, Ont.
Shedden, Ont.
Sherbrooke, Que.
Speedside, Ont.
Stanstead, South, Que.
St. Andrews, Que.
St. Catharines, Ont.
St. Thomas, Ont.
Stouffville, Ont.
Stratford, Ont.
Tilbury, Ont.
Toronto, Bond St., Ont.
" Zion, Ont.
" Northern, Ont.
" Western, Ont.
" Yorkville, Ont.
" Riverside, Ont.
Turnberry, Ont.
Unionville, Ont.
Vankleek Hill, Ont.
Vespra, Ont.
Warwick, Ont.
Waterville, Que.
Watford, Ont.
Whitby, Ont.
Wiarton, Ont.
Wingham, Ont.
Winnipeg, Man.
Woodstock, Ont.

ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

Date.	Place of Meeting.	Chairman.	Secretary-Treasurer.	Statistical Secretary.	Minute Secretary.	Preachers of Annual Sermon.	Sabbath Preachers. Morning.	Sabbath Preachers. Evening.	Essayists.
June 14-19, 1854	Montreal	W. Clarke	K. M. Fenwick		E. Ebbs	A. Lillie, D.D.	K. M. Fenwick	A. Robertson	H. Wilkes, D.D.
" 13-18, 1855	Kingston	W. F. Clarke	do.		J. Wood	E. Ebbs	H. D. Powis	W. F. Clarke	
" 11-17, 1856	Hamilton	E. J. Sherrill	do.		J. T. Byrne	K. M. Fenwick	E. J. Sherrill	H. Wilkes, D.D.	E. Ebbs
" 10-16, 1857	Montreal	E. Ebbs	do.		T. M. Reikie	J. Fraser	A. Lillie, D.D.	W. Hay	
" 9-15, 1858	Brantford	F. H. Marling	E. Ebbs		D. Macallum	F. H. Marling	T. Bayne	R. Wilson	H. Wilkes, D.D.
" 8-14, 1859	Toronto	H. Wilkes, D.D.	do.		E. Barker	T. M. Reikie	R. Robinson	W. F. Clarke	A. Lillie, D.D.
" 13-20, 1860	Montreal	A. Lillie, D.D.	do.		J. Wood	J. Elliott	R. K. Black	J. Wood	
" 12-17, 1861	Kingston	J. Elliott	do.		J. Hooper	W. Clarke	A. J. Parker	C. W. Torry	
" 11-16, 1862	Hamilton	A. J. Parker	do.		C. P. Watson	J. T. Byrne	A. Burpee	J. Butler	W. F. Clarke / F. H. Marling
" 10-15, 1863	Montreal	W. Hay	J. Wood		W. W. Smith	A. Duff	T. Pullar	U. Backman	J. Wood
" 8-13, 1864	Brantford	T. M. Reikie	do.		F. H. Marling	G. Cornish, LL.D.	K. M. Fenwick	W. H. Allworth	
" 7-12, 1865	Toronto	A. Duff, D.D.	do.		G. A. Rawson	P. Shanks	G. Smith, D.D.	J. L. Poore	
" 14-19, 1866	Montreal	W. H. Allworth	do.		D. Macallum	W. F. Clarke	F. H. Marling	J. G. Manly	
" 6-11, 1867	Kingston	J. Climie	do.		R. Hay	J. Wood	H. Wilkes, D.D.	Prof. Stowe	G. Cornish, LL.D.
" 11-15, 1868	Hamilton	R. Robinson	F. H. Marling	W. W. Smith	R. Lewis	J. Unsworth	A. McGregor	W. P. Westell	W. F. Clarke / K. M. Fenwick
" 9-14, 1869	Montreal	H. D. Powis	do.	do.	A. F. McGregor	D. Macallum	J. A. R. Dickson	E. Ebbs	
" 8-13, 1870	Toronto	J. Wood	do.	do.	E. Barker	H. Wilkes, D.D.	J. G. Sanderson	F. Beecher, D.D.	
" 7-12, 1871	Guelph	G. Cornish, LL.D.	E. Ebbs	E. Barker	S. T. Gibbs	T. M. Reikie	E. Ebbs	C. Chapman, M.A.	J. Fraser
" 5-10, 1872	Montreal	K. M. Fenwick	W. F. Clarke	do.	R. W. Wallace	W. M. Peacock	W. F. Clarke	S. G. Dodd	B. W. Day
" 4- 9, 1873	Brantford	Enoch Barker	J. A. R. Dickson	W. W. Smith	J. Salmon, B.A.	Enoch Barker	S. N. Jackson	J. Fraser	
" 10-15, 1874	Toronto	J. Unsworth	K. M. Fenwick	do.	D. D. Nighswander		J. Fraser	C. Chapman, M.A.	W. F. Clarke / J. Wood
" 9-15, 1875	Hamilton	C. Chapman, M.A.	"	do.	D. Macallum		R. Hay	J. F. Stevenson, D.D.	H. Wilkes, D.D. / J. Wood / K. M. Fenwick
" 7-12, 1876	Montreal	D. Macallum	do.		E. D. Silcox		H. Sanders	J. G. Sanderson	W. H. Allworth
" 6-11, 1877	Guelph	J. A. R. Dickson	do.		J. B. Silcox		H. D. Powis	R. K. Black	E. Barker
" 5-10, 1878	London	R. K. Black	do.	W. H. Warriner	do.		C. Duff, M.A.	H. Wilkes, D.D.	T. Robinson
" 4- 9, 1879	Kingston	J. F. Stevenson, D.D.	J. Wood	do.	J. Hindley, M.A.	W. H. Allworth	J. G. Sanderson	J. F. Stevenson, D.D.	H. Wilkes, D.D.
" 9-14, 1880	Montreal	Dr. Stevenson	do.	do	H. Pedley, B.A. / A. McGregor	H. D. Powis	Prin. Grant	R. W. Wallace	J. B. Silcox
" 8-13, 1881	Toronto	S. N. Jackson, M.D.	do.	do.	Jos. Griffith / A. L. McFadyen	J. L. Forster, D.C.L.	J. Wood	Z. Eddy, D.D.	Jas. Roy, M.A.
" 7-12, 1882	Brantford	George Hague	do.	do.	J. R. Black, B.A. / J. B. Saer, B.A.	J. Burton, B.D.	H. D. Hunter	Dr. Stevenson	B. W. Day
" 6-11, 1883	London	C. Duff, M.A.	W. W. Smith	do.	D. McGregor, B.A. / C. S. Pedley, B.A.	Wm. Hay	J. B. Silcox	Dr. Stevenson	
" 4- 9, 1884	Montreal	J. G. Sanderson	do.	do.	G. Robertson, B.A. / W. H. Way	W. Wetherald	W. H. Warriner, B.A.	Dr. Dexter	W. H. Allworth
" 3- 8, 1885	Hamilton	Jno. Burton, B.D.	Hugh Pedley, B.A.	G. Robertson, B.A.	E. M. Hill, M.A. / Wm. Toms, Jr.	H. Pedley, B.A.	Henry Hughes	Dr. Stevenson	H. Wilkes, D.D.

"	4- 9, 1879	Kingston....	J. F. Stevenson, D.D.	J. Wood.....	do.	J. Hindley, M. A.	W. H. Allworth,	[D.D.		
"	9-14, 1880	Montreal ...	Dr. Stevenson ..	do.	do	H. Pedley, B.A. A. McGregor.....	H. D. Fowis	Prin. Grant.....	R. W. Wallace	J. B. Silcox.
"	8-13, 1881	Toronto	S.N.Jackson, M.D.	do.	do.	Jos Griffith ..... A. L. McFadyen.	J. L. Forster, [E.C.L.	J. Wood.....	Z. Eddy, D.D....	Jas Roy, M.A.
"	7-12, 1882	Brantford ..	George Hague..	do.	do.	J. R. Black, B.A. J. B. Saer, B.A..	J. Burton, B.D...	H. D. Hunter...	Dr. Stevenson	B. W. Day
"	6-11, 1883	London	C. Duff, M.A....	W. W. Smith...	do.	D. McGregor, B.A C. S. Pedley, B.A	Wm. Hay	J. B. Silcox....	Dr. Stevenson	
"	4- 9, 1884	Montreal ...	J. G. Sanderson.	do.	do.	G. Robertson, B.A W. H. Way.....	W. Wetherald ..	W. H. Warriner, [B.A.	Dr. Dexter....	W. H. Allworth
"	3- 8, 1885	Hamilton...	Jno. Burton, B.D.	Hugh Pedley, B.A.	G. Robertson, B.A.	E. M. Hill, M.A.. Wm. Toms, Jr.	H. Pedley, B.A..	Henry Hughes...	Dr. Stevenson...	H. Wilkes, D.D.

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Date.	Place of Meeting.	Chairman.	Secretary-Treasurer	Statistical Secretary.	Minute Secretary.	Preachers of Annual Sermon.	Sabbath Preachers Morning.	Sabbath Preachers Evening.	Essayists
June 9-14, 1886	Ottawa.....	D. McGregor, M.A.	Hugh Pedley, B.A.	G. Robertson, B.A.	J. W. Pedley, B.A. F. Macallum.....	J. R. Black, B.A.	S. N. Jackson, [M.D.	H. D. Hunter, [M.A.	
" 8-13, 1887	Toronto.....	H. D. Hunter, M.A.	do.	do.	A. Rich'rds'n, B.A J. K. Unsw'rth, B.A	Geo. Fuller.....	E. M. Hill, M.A.	J. Wild, D.D.....	
" 6-11, 1888	Montreal ...	John Morton....	W. H. Warriner, [B.A.	do.	J. P. Gerrie, B.A Geo. F. Brown.	W. M. Barbour, [D.D.	E. C. W. MacColl, [M.A.	J. Wild, D.D.....	J. White.

MINUTES OF THE UNION.

The Thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec opened in Emmanuel Church, Montreal, on Wednesday, June 6th, 1888; the Rev. John Morton, of Hamilton, presiding. The Rev. F. H. Marling, the Pastor of the church, together with the Rev. W. Hay, led the devotional exercises.

The annual sermon was preached by the Rev. W. M. Barbour, D.D., Principal of the College, from the text, Matthew ix: 35; his theme being "Christ as a Village Preacher."

At the close of the service the Secretary, in behalf of the Union Committee, nominated the following, as the Standing Committees of the Union:—

Business Committee.—Revs. Duncan McGregor, M.A. (Convenor), J. I. Hindley, M.A., E. C. W. MacColl, M.A., J. C. Wright; Messrs. W. P. Carter, Charles Gurd, W. McCartney, A. Alexander.

Nomination Committee.—Revs. Wm. Hay (Convenor), J. Wild, D.D., A. F. McGregor, B.A., L. P. Adams; Messrs. J. R. Dougall, J. C. Field, A. J. Stephens, W. J. Stibbs.

Finance Committee. Messrs. C. R. Black (Convenor), T. Moodie, Jas. Kay, James White, C. Morris.

Membership Committee.—Revs. R. K. Black (Convenor), B. W. Day, George Skinner, George Purkis; Messrs. J. Jarvis, J. C. Rosevear, J. F. McEwen, J. Adams.

Minute Secretaries.—Rev. A. W. Richardson, B.A., Rev. George F. Brown.

The Rev. A. W. Richardson declined to act, on the ground that he had fulfilled the duties of Minute Secretary the previous year. The appointment of Minute Secretaries was therefore left over until the morning. All the other nominations were adopted.

The Secretary also reported that the Union Committee had appointed Rev. A. F. McGregor and Mr. H. Yeigh to act as scrutineers on the election of chairman.

The meeting then adjourned, the benediction being pronounced by Dr. Barbour.

THURSDAY, June 7th, 1888.

The Union assembled for devotional exercises at 9 o'clock a.m.

The Rev. E. D. Silcox, by appointment of the chairman, conducted the meeting.

At 10 o'clock the Chairman took his place, and the minutes of the former meeting were read and confirmed.

The Rev. W. H. Warriner moved and Rev. Dr. Cornish seconded, that the rule requiring that officers of this Union be members thereof, be suspended for the time being, and that the Revs. J. P. Gerrie, B.A., of Stratford, and George F. Brown, of Melbourne, who have applied for membership, be Minute Secretaries. Carried.

The Chairman next delivered the annual address, entitled "The Church and her Estranged Children."

The Roll was then called. The following is a list of members present:

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

Adams, L. P., Fitch Bay.
Allworth, W. H.
Aylward, R., Cobourg.
Barnes, H. E., Sherbrooke.
Black, R. K., Sarnia.
Brown, George F., Melbourne.
Clarke, W. F., St Thomas.
Cornish, George, LL.D., Montreal.
Cuthbertson, Wm., B.A., Woodstock.
Davey, Frank, Alton.
Dixon, Joseph, Franklin Centre.
Fuller, George, Brantford.
Gerrie, John P., B.A., Stratford.
Hall, Thomas, Kingston.
Hay, Wm., Scotland.
Hill, E. M., M.A., Montreal.
Hindley, John I., M.A., Granby.
Jackson, Samuel N., M.D., Kingston.
Macallum, Daniel, St. Elmo.
Main, A W., Belleville.
Marling, Francis H., Montreal.
MacColl, Evan C.W., B.A., Middleville.
McAdie, James, St. Andrews.
McFadyen, A. L., B.A., Kingston.
McGregor, Arch. F., B.A., Toronto.
McGregor, Duncan, M.A., Guelph.
Morton, John, Hamilton.
McKillican, John Montreal.
Purkis, George, Waterville.
Richardson, A.W., B.A., The Grange P.O.
Robertson, George, B.A., Toronto.
Sanderson, John G., Danville.
Silcox, E. D., Embro.
Smith, William W., Newmarket.
Skinner, George, Eaton.
Unsworth, Joseph K., B.A., Paris.
Warriner, W. H., B.D., Bowmanville.
Webb, James, New Durham.
White, J., Forest.
Wild, Joseph, D.D., Toronto
Wood John, Ottawa.
Wright, J. C., Garafraxa.

DELEGATES.

Alton, F. McClellan, Annie McClellan.
Barrie, C. Morris.
Bowmanville, H. C. Tait.
Brantford, H. Yeigh, Geo. Malcolm.
Brigham, A. P. Solandt.
Belwood, R Y. Blyth.
Cobourg, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Field.
Coldsprings, J.C. Rosevear, I.J. Swanson.
Cowansville, M. J. Cameron, W. Lee.
Danville, G. W. Leet.
Durham, Nelson Smillie.
Edgar, R. A. Thomas.
Franklin Centre, Wm Gentle.
Forest, D. McPherson.
Georgetown, F.W. Macallum, J. Barber.
Granby, J. Kay, J. H. Butterfield.
Guelph James Goldie.
Hamilton, A. Alexander, S. Huxley.
Hawkesbury, C. Moore.
Kingston, Second, B. W. Robertson.
Listowel, Alexander McLeod.
Maxville, J. Robertson.
Montreal, Zion, R. Seath, T. Moodie.
" Emmanuel, C. R Black, C. Gurd.
" Calvary, J. R. Dougall, R. McLachlan.
Melbourne, Mrs. Geo. F. Brown.
Newmarket, H. E. C. Mason
New Durham, Mr. Robbins.

Ottawa, James Jarvis, A. F. Stephens.
Parkdale, John Watt.
Paris, C. Whitlaw.
Pine Grove, James Watson.
Sherbrooke, John McNicol.
St. Andrews, D. Dewar.
St. Catharines, A. M. Smith, Miss Tasker.
Stratford, D. D. Hay.
Toronto, Bond Street, Edmund Yeigh, William McCartney
Toronto, Zion, W. J. Stibbs, J. Adams.
" Northern, T. Webb.
" Western, George Roper.
" Yorkville, J. Wightman.
" Mt. Zion, W. H. Butterworth.
Mr. Barron.
Vankleek Hill, W. McKillican.
Wiarton, J. Dance.
Woodstock, J. White.

After the calling of the Roll, the election of the Chairman for 1889 was proceeded with. The first ballot resulted in no election. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes were then given, viz.: The Rev. Dr. Wild, and Rev. W. Cuthbertson. The second ballot resulted in the election of the Rev. Joseph Wild, D.D., Toronto.

Applications for membership were presented by Revs. T. W. Bowen, Manilla; R. Aylward, Cobourg; F. H. Marling, Montreal; J. Webb, New Durham; J. K. Unsworth, Paris; J. P. Gerrie, Stratford; Dr. H.E. Barnes, Sherbrooke; G.F. Brown. Melbourne; James McAdie, St. Andrews; Jas. White, Forest. On motion, these applications were referred to the Membership Committee.

An application for dismission was read on behalf of the Rev. J. B. Silcox, to the Congregational Association of Southern California; also letters of resignation from the Revs. J. Burton, and Wm. Wetherald; and a communication from the church at Canifton, asking for admission into the Union. Referred to the Membership Committee.

A letter was read from the Rev. Dr. Shaw, of the Methodist Conference, now in session, stating that a deputation to this Union had been appointed. Referred to the Business Committee.

Moved by the Rev. R. K. Black, that the Revs. Wm. McIntosh, Yarmouth, N. S.; James Shipperly, Noel, N. S., and the students of the College, be received as corresponding members. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Cornish, that Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society, be a corresponding member. Carried.

Communications from the Congregational Unions of England and Wales, and from the Treasurer of the Colonial Missionary Society, commending Mr. Fielden and conveying greetings to the Unions, were read. Mr. Fielden then delivered an address, after which the Union adjourned.

FRIDAY, June 8th, 1888.

The Union re-assembled for devotional exercises at 9 a.m. The Rev R. Aylward, presided.

At ten o'clock the Chairman took his place, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Roll was again called and corrected.

The Rev. Frank Davey, Alton, applied for admission; and the Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith, Lancaster, for dimission to the Synod of the Church of Scotland. Both applications were referred to the Membership Committee.

A letter from Sir William Dawson was read, inviting the members of the Union to visit McGill Museum and Library. The thanks of the Union were tendered to Sir William for his kind invitation.

The Business Committee presented a report of the order of business to be followed; and recommended that the Revs. Principal Babour, W. Cuthbertson, and Mr. Edmund Yeigh, be a delegation to convey our fraternal salutations to the Conference of the Canada Methodist Church, now in session in this city, at an hour to be fixed by them. The report was received and adopted. The same committee submitted the following Resolution, which was adopted, viz.:

That the attention of the Union be called to the lately published Memoir of the late Rev. Dr. Wilkes, and that we express the hope that it will have a wide circulation among our churches.

The Membership Committee submitted the following recommendations:

1. That Rev. Joseph Dixon, of Franklin Centre, Que.; Rev. Joseph K. Unsworth, of Paris, Ont.; Rev. J. P. Gerrie, of Stratford, Ont., and Rev. J. McAdie, of St. Andrews, Que., graduates of Congregational College of British North America, who have furnished evidence of having been ordained to the Ministry, be admitted to membership in the Union.

2. That the following ministers be admitted to membership, on letters of dismissal from kindred Congregational organizations: Rev. Henry E. Barnes, D.D. of Sherbrooke, Que:, by letter from the Essex North Congregational Association, Mass.; Rev. Robert Aylward, of Cobourg, by letter from the Staffordshire Congregational Union; Rev James Webb, of New Durham, Ont., by letter from Durham and Northumberland Association of Congregational Ministers; Rev. Thos. W. Bowen, of Manilla, Ont., by letter from the Surrey Congregational Union; Rev. James White, of Forest, Ont., by letter from the Surrey Congregational Union.

3. That Rev. F. H. Marling, of Montreal, who produces a letter of dismissal from the Presbytery of New York, be at once re-admitted into membership of the Union on the ground of having completed a course of

study in the Congregational College of B. N. A., and having been ordained to the Ministry.

4. That the Congregational Church of Canifton, in the County of Hastings, Ont., be admitted into the Union ; their application being certified by the Revs. Thos. Hall, R. K. Black, and W. H. Warriner.

5. That letters of dismissal be granted to Rev. Wm. Wetherald, who is now with the Society of Friends, in Toronto ; and to Rev. J. B. Silcox, who desires to unite with the Congregational Association of Southern California.

6. That the letter of Rev. John Burton, B.D., be referred to a special Committee of Ministers, to be named by the Union, with a view of their conferring with him respecting it.

7. That in accordance with the standing rules of the Union, the application of Rev. George F. Brown lie over till the next Annual Meeting, when your Committee recommend his admission to membership in the Union.

The reccommendations of the Committee were adopted.

The deputation from the Methodist Conference was next introduced, and the Rev. Dr. Shaw, Mr. Lavelle, M. D., and Rev. James Henderson, addressed the Union.

Dr. Wild introduced the Rev. Drs. Antliff and Smyth, who delivered short addresses on behalf of the Protestant Ministerial Association of Montreal, and presented a memorial, touching the registering of births and deaths in the Province of Quebec. On motion, by the Rev. E. C. W. MacColl, this memorial was referred to the Business Committee.

The Business Committee recommended :

That the following be a committee to frame a Resolution, to be submitted for the consideration of the Union, regarding the changes which should be made in the registering of births and burials in the Province of Quebec, viz.: Revs. F. H. Marling, E. M. Hill, and J. I Hindley.

The recommendation was received and adopted.

The Secretary then read the 35th Annual Report of the Union Committee, as follows :

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

In presenting the Thirty-Ffith Annual Report of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, your Committee would first of all express its pleasure at our meeting once more in Emmanuel Church, whose graceful hospitality we enjoyed four years ago.

We congratulate the Church upon its happy choice and settlement of a pastor ; and ourselves also. that the good providence of God has brought back to Canada, and especially to our Congregational Churches, one who has always occupied a very high place in our affection and esteem. Forty years ago, the Rev. F. H. Marling commenced his ministry in Montreal. May we not hope, that here, his labors may be consummated and crowned.

The past year has been one of quiet, steady labor, and we trust of permanent growth. God has been good to us in preserving us to each other, and to our work. Only one death in the ministerial ranks have we to record, and that of a brother who was probably a stranger, at least to most of the younger brethren here— the Rev. Ludwick Kribs, who passed to his reward last December in the State of Minnesota Mr. Kribs deserves to be remembered by us not only because he was the first student that was trained in our College, but also because of the varied and successful pioneer work which he performed in Canada, during the earlier part of his ministry.

In reviewing the work of the past year, your Committee have to report that in compliance with your instructions, a copy of the Resolutions passed last year, in relation to the giving of religious instruction in our Public Schools, was forwarded to the Secretary of the Provincial Episcopal Synod of Ontario; also that a copy of the Resolutions on Christian Unity, was forwarded to the Prolocutor of the Provincial Synod; but that no reply has been received by your Committee. Your Committee would suggest that the Special Committee on Christian Union be discharged, and a Standing Committee be appointed by the Union.

Copies of the Resolutions passed in relation to the Welsh Tithe question, were forwarded to the Secretaries of the Congregational Unions of England and Wales, the Welsh Union, and English Union of North Wales Letters have been received from the two Welsh Unions, expressing their great appreciation of the "timely utterance," of this Union, and stating that they had caused the Resolutions to be printed in the various papers.

The petition of the Union in support of the Charlton Act was duly signed by your Chairman and Secretary, and forwarded to Mr. Jno. Charlton, M.P., by whom it was thankfully acknowledged.

In regard to the question of the participation of Student Delegates in the Funds for travelling expenses, referred to your Committee, they report that they have carefully considered the matter, and do not see sufficient reasons for suggesting any change in the present rules of the Union.

Mr. James White, of Woodstock, has been requested to present a paper on "Church Finances," in the place of the Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith, who declined.

Following the example of our brethren in England, your Committee in conjunction with the Pastor of this church, have made arrangements for special service on Friday evening, in commemoration of the tercentenary of the defeat of the Spanish Armada, and the bicentenary of the Revolution under William III. We are glad to announce that the Rev. William Cuthbertson, B.A., has consented to deliver the lecture on that occasion.

In regard to the subject of Temperance, your Committee suggest that the Business Committee of this Union be instructed to bring in a Resolution on the matter, making special reference to the License Bill at present before the Quebec Legislature; and expressing sympathy with our brethren in England, in their efforts to oppose the proposition of the Imperial Government to endorse the liquor traffic, by means of the "Local Government Bill."

Your Committee would draw the attention of the Union to Standing Rule No. 6, which relates to the hour of Devotional Exercises. This hour of worship is as truly a meeting of the Union as any other, although the chairman may not personally preside; and we would urge that the attendance be as prompt and full as possible.

We recommend that a Committee on Sabbath Observance be appointed by the Union, to correspond with similar committees, appointed by other bodies.

Your Committee also rejoice to welcome to our midst, a distinguished visitor from the Mother Country, the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society. We shall be glad to have an opportunity to hear him address the Union; and we trust that he may be able, on his return, to report to the churches at home, of the blessing of our God upon us.

May the God of all grace preside over our meetings, and glorify Himself in all we do!

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

W. H. WARRINER,
Secretary.

Moved by Rev. W. F. Clarke, and seconded by Rev. E. C. W. MacColl, that the report as a whole be received and adopted. Carried.

The Chairman of the Business Committee then submitted an address of welcome to be presented to the new Governor-General, Lord Stanley. On motion this address was referred back to the Committee.

The Rev. G. Robertson, B.A., Statistical Secretary, read his Report, and tendered his resignation. On motion by Rev. Messrs. Warriner, and MacColl, the report was received and adopted, and the thanks of the Union tendered to the Secretary. The resignation was referred to the Nomination Committee.

Mr. C. R. Black presented a report on behalf of the Provident Fund Society, for which he received the hearty thanks of the Union. On motion by Mr. D. D. Hay, seconded by Rev. E. D. Silcox, the report was referred to the Business Committee.

The Rev. J. C. Wright, Statistical Secretary for Sunday Schools, read his report; and after its adoption, received the warmest thanks of the Union.

The Secretary read a letter from the Synod of the Reformed Episcopal Church, now in session in Montreal, conveying fraternal greetings. The Chairman and the Secretary were instructed to send a suitable reply to this letter.

It was moved by Rev. A. F. McGregor, that the Rev. Mr. Fielden and the delegates from the Maritime Provinces be heard to-morrow morning. Carried. The Union then adjonrned.

FRIDAY EVENING, June, 8th.

A public meeting was held, commemorative of the defeat of

the Spanish Armada (1588), and the Revolution under William III (1688). The Rev. John Morton, Chairman, presided, and the Rev. William Cuthbertson, B. A., delivered an able historical lecture.

SATURDAY, June 9th.

The Union met at 9 a.m. The usual hour was spent in devotional exercises, the Rev. J. C. Wright, of Belwood, presiding.

The Chairman then took his place, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Revs. Geo. Fuller, J. I. Hindley, and Mr. H. Yeigh asked for leave of absence. Their requests were granted.

The Business Committee submitted the following report, which was adopted:

1. That the hearty thanks of the Union be given to Principal Barbour, for the masterly, inspiring, and timely sermon, preached at the opening session; and the Union would earnestly request Dr. Barbour to consent to its publication in the *Canadian Independent*.

2. That the thanks of the Union be given to the Rev. John Morton, Chairman, for his able and interesting adddress; and that the publishers of the YEAR BOOK be requested to publish it.

3. That the Union having heard Mr. C. R. Black on the claims of the Congregational Provident Fund Society upon our ministers and churches, would earnestly commend these claims, and very strongly urge upon all our students and ministers to become members of the Society; and upon our churches to contribute to its funds. And further, the Union would request that the paper read by Mr. Black be published in the *Canadian Independent* and YEAR BOOK.

4. That the following be the address to the new Governor General of Canada:

To His Excellency, The Right Honorable Frederick A. Stanley, Lord Stanley, of Preston, G. C. B., Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, etc., etc.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

The Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, consisting of ministers and delegates of churches, being assembled in their Annual Meeting on the eve of your arrival in Canada, gladly avail themselves of the opportunity to renew the expression of their constant loyalty to our Gracious Sovereign, Queen Victoria, to bid Your Excellency, Lady Stanley, and family, a hearty welcome to the Dominion, and to assure you of our earnest hope and prayer to God, that your administration of the Government may conduce to the peace and prosperity of Canada, and to the good of the whole Empire.

On behalf of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at its meeting in Montreal, June 8th, 1888.

JOHN MORTON, *Chairman.*
W. H. WARRINER, *Secretary.*

The Membership Committee recommended the admission of the Rev. Frank Davey, and the granting of a letter of dismission to the Rev. C. E. Gordon Smith; and also reported that the resignation of the Rev. John Burton had been withdrawn. On motion the report was received and adopted.

Rev. A. F. McGregor on behalf of the Nomination Committee, reported the following recommendations, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the following be the officers and committee of the Union for next year:

Secretary-Treasurer—Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.A., B.D

Statistical Secretary—Rev. Geo. Robertson, B.A.

S. S. Statistical Secretary—Rev. J. C. Wright.

Preacher of Annual Sermon—On Wednesday evening, Rev. William Cuthbertson, B.A.; alternate, Rev. Robert Aylward. Sunday morning, Rev. Francis H. Marling; alternate, Rev. James Webb.

Union Committee—Revs. Joseph Wild, D.D., John Morton, William Cuthbertson, B.A., H. D. Hunter, M.A., W. H. Warriner, B.D., W. Hay, S. N. Jackson, M.D., and George Robertson, B.A.; Messrs W. McCartney, Charles Whitlaw, James Goldie, H Yeigh, H. Coon, A Alexander, George Scott.

Committee on Sabbath Observance—Revs. John Burton, John Wood, John Morton, A. F. McGregor.

Standing Committee on Christian Union—Revs. F. H. Marling, R. K. Black, J. Wild, D.D., S. N. Jackson, M D.

The Revs. Dr. Barbour and T. Hall were appointed delegates to the Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

The Revs. W. S. H. Fielden, Wm. McIntosh, and James Shipperly, next addressed the Union.

Rev. F. H. Marling, on behalf of the committee appointed to draw up a Memorial to the Quebec Government, relative to the registering of births and burials, submitted the following:

To the Honorable Honore Mercier, Premier of the Province of Quebec, Quebec:

The Memorial of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, respectfully sheweth:

That this Union gives its cordial support to the principles embodied in the Memorial of the Protestant Ministerial Association of Montreal, in relation to the registration of Acts of Civil Status; that births and deaths should be recorded by a civil officer, on the report of relatives and medical men; that the price of marriage licenses should be reduced to two dollars; that where ministers are required to perform registration duty, the Government should supply the requisite forms, and proper fees should be legally allowed by those who benefit from the service; and that if existing methods be perpetuated these principles be adopted as far as possible.

On behalf of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at its meeting in Montreal, June 9th, 1888

JOHN MORTON, *Chairman.*
W. H. WARRINER, *Secretary.*

Moved by Dr. Wild, seconded by Rev. A. F. McGregor, that this memorial be received and adopted. Carried.

The Business Committee submitted the following resolution :

That the Union hails with very great pleasure the presence amongst us of the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, as delegate from the Congregational Union of England and Wales, and also from the Colonial Missionary Society ; and gratefully acknowledge the very helpful words he has addressed to us ; and would express our deep sense of the obligations under which we lie to our brethren of the Congregational Union, and the Colonial Missionary Society, for the ceaseless interest, cordial sympathy, and abounding material assistance which they have for so many years honored us with. We would also express the fervent hope that Mr. Fielden's visit to the Dominion may give a great impetus to the important work in this Western world, which lies so heavily upon their hearts and ours.

This resolution was adopted, and the Union adjourned.

SUNDAY, June 10th.

In the morning the Rev. E. C. W. MacColl, M.A., Middleville, preached the sermon by appointment of the Union, taking for his text the last clause of 2 Timothy, iv, 5 : "Make full proof of thy ministry."

In the afternoon the Sunday School of Emmanuel Church was addressed by Mr. John Adams, Toronto ; the Revs. W. W. Smith, Newmarket, and Geo. Robertson, B.A., Toronto.

The evening sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Wild, of Toronto, from Ephesians vi, 12.

After this service the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was observed. The Rev. F. H. Marling, Pastor of the church, presided, and was assisted by the Revs. W. S. H. Fielden, and Wm. Cuthbertson.

MONDAY, June 11th.

The Union met at 9 a.m. The Rev. Geo. Purkis, Waterville, presided at the devotional hour.

At ten o'clock, the Chairman called for the minutes of the last meeting, which were then read and adopted.

Invitations for the Union next year, were presented on behalf of Brantford and Kingston. Referred to Nomination Committee.

Mr. C. R. Black presented the report of the Finance Committee as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

In presenting the Financial Statement, your Committee regret that the churches have forced upon them the necessity of deducting so large a sum as five dollars from the expenses of each minister and delegate; which they believe to be the largest deduction ever required to be made at any Union meeting.

The reported travelling expenses were $807.48; and the collections from churches, $536.01. From the latter amount we are now ready to pay on account of travelling expenses $486.86; which, after deducting the amount paid for outstanding accounts for last year, leaves in the hands of the Treasurer a balance of only $21.10, towards the payment of printing the present year's reports in the YEAR BOOK, and any other incidentals which may arise.

Your Committee, however much they may regret the large deduction rendered necessary this year, can only deal liberally or otherwise according to the amount of money they are entrusted with by the churches; and the remedy is in the churches' own hands.

In this connection, we notice that some of the churches did not send in any collections for the funds of the Union; while some others sent sums so small as to be utterly out of proportion to the expense incurred in sending ministers and delegates such a long distance.

Your Committee would suggest that in future, when churches decide to send a double delegation, they have regard for the due proportion of things; and make the collection bear some reasonable proportion to the expense incurred.

They would also suggest, that when coming to what may be called extreme places, as far as distance from the majority of churches is concerned, such as Montreal, the Secretary of the Union should draw the attention of the churches to the fact, through the *Independent*, and request that in view of this the collections be increased to meet the additional expense. The collections for 1888 were only eight dollars more than they were last year, when the Union met in Toronto; a city which, being central for our churches, is reached at much less cost than a city three hundred miles east of it.

Accompanying this report the Committee furnish a tabulated statement, showing the name of each subscribing church, amount of collection, name of minister, reported expenses, net amount allowed, name of delegate, reported expenses, and net amount allowed, with the totals of each column, thus furnishing a complete and particular account of their trust.

The whole respectfully submitted,

CHAS. R. BLACK,
Chairman.

Montreal, June 11th, 1888.

The report was adopted.

The Business Committee then reported as follows:

1. That the speakers and subjects for this evening be, Rev. Dr. Cornish, on the "College Endowment Fund;" the Rev. E. M. Hill, on the "C. C. F.

Missions, and Woman's Board of Missions"; Mr. W. McCartney, on "Systematic Giving." Resolutions of thanks to be moved and seconded by Revs. D. McGregor and W. S. H. Fielden, to which the Rev. F. H. Marling will respond.

2. That Standing Rules Nos. 2 and 3 be amended to read as follows: The Union shall meet annually on the Wednesday after the first Sabbath in June, at 10 a.m., when the annual sermon shall be delivered; after which the *Union* shall be organized under the presidency of the chairman: or, failing him, a chairman *pro tem.*, to be chosen by the Union: by the election of minute secretaries and reporters, the calling of the roll, the appointment of standing committees—on Business, Membership, Nomination and Finance on nomination by the Union Committee.

3. That Wednesday afternoon be devoted to the work of the various committees; during which time the Union stand adjourned.

4. On Wednesday evening the Chairman s address shall be delivered.

5. That from Standing Rule No. 4, be struck out the words, "the chairman's address shall be delivered."

6. That on Friday evening a conference on "The State of Religion," shall be held; at which the Statistical Secretaries shall submit their Annual Reports.

Mr. Marling moved, that Article 2 of the report be amended by the addition of the words, "and the election of chairman for the next year," after the words, "nomination of the Union Committee." Carried.

It was then moved that the Report as amended be adopted as a whole. Carried.

Moved by the Rev. W. H. Warriner, that the Finance Committee be authorized to pay the expenses of the ministers and delegates, in so far as the funds will allow. Carried.

On motion it was resolved that the deputation from the Dominion Temperance Alliance be now heard. The Right Rev. Bishop Ussher and Mr. J. R. Dougall, then addressed the Union.

Mr. J. White, of Woodstock, Ont., read a paper on "Church Finances." In the discussion which followed, Messrs. A. Alexander and R. McLachlan, Revs. W. Cuthbertson, and T. Hall, took part.

The Nomination Committee recommended that Brantford be the place for the next meeting of the Union. The recommendation was adopted.

The Union then adjourned, to meet in the afternoon.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, June 11th.

The Union met at 2:30 p.m. After singing and prayer, the minutes of the morning session were read and confirmed.

Application for membership was made by Rev. W. K. Shortt, Lennoxville, Que. Referred to the Membership Committee.

The Business Committee presented the following resolution on Temperance:

Resolved, That this Union desires to express its sympathy with the Congregational Union of England and Wales, anent the question of compensation for vested rights as claimed by the licensed victualers; and rejoice in the withdrawal by the Imperial Government of the license clauses from the Local Government Bill.

And furthermore, that we also respectfully urge the Quebec Legislature to grant to the city of Montreal, Quebec, the same privilege as enjoyed by all other municipalities in this Province, viz.:

The right to limit the number of licenses for the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

We further desire to avow our unaltered conviction, that the prohibition of the manufacture, sale and importation of intoxicating liquors, excepting for medicinal and mechanical purposes, is an urgent need; and would advise all Congregational ministers and churches to co-operate with other churches and societies, in order as speedily as possible to obtain the desired end.

And further, that we do heartily commend the Dominion Alliance and its work, as represented by their delegation, Bishop Ussher and J. R. Dougall, to this Union.

Rev. T. Hall presented a petition on behalf of the W. C. T. U. It was resolved as follows:

That this Union having heard the memorial presented by the W. C. T. U., desire to assure those tireless champions for "Home and Native land," of their most cordial sympathy with their Christly mission; and would earnestly pray that God would crown their labors for the overthrow of the liquor traffic with speedy success.

The Rev. W. H. Warriner submitted a statement on behalf of the Congregational Publishing Society, and the Rev. W. W. Smith, Editor of the *Canadian Independent*, spoke on behalf of that publication.

Moved by Rev. W. F. Clarke, and seconded by Rev. Dr. Wild, —That the Union has heard with much interest and pleasure the statements of Messrs. Warriner and Smith in regard to the *Canadian Independent*, is highly satisfied with its conduct under the present editor, and heartily wishes it increasing success. Carried.

Mr. T. Moodie brought the interest of Zion Church, Montreal, before the Union.

Moved by Rev. W. F. Clarke, and seconded by Rev. G. Skinner,—That the Union has listened with great satisfaction to the facts narrated by Mr. Moodie in regard to the perpetuation of

Zion Church, Montreal, and earnestly prays for its future peace and prosperity. Carried.

The Membership Committee reported, recommending that the application of the Rev. W. K. Shortt, M.A., be accepted, and, according to Standing Rule, lie over for one year. Adopted.

Mr. W. J. Stibbs read the notices of motion given by Mr. Pim, last year. Moved by Revs. Dr. Wild and D. McGregor, that the Constitution and Rules remain as they are. Carried.

Moved by Rev. W. H. Warriner, that Standing Rule No. 12 be amended by striking out the words "contributing not less than the sum of five dollars to its funds," and by the addition of the words "Provided always, that the church represented by such delegate or pastor, contribute not less than the sum of five dollars to the funds of the Union. Ministerial members, not pastors of churches, shall be required to contribute a like amount."

Amendment—Moved, seconded, and carried, that the present rule on that subject abide as it is.

The Business Committee presented the following report, which was adopted.

In view of the conference of the Evangelical Alliance to be held in this city in October next, this Union cordially commends the objects of such conference to the sympathy and earnest commendation of our ministers and churches; and would urge upon them the desirability of appointing delegates to attend its session.

Moved by Mr. D. D. Hay,—That recognizing the importance of thorough system in all matters of Church Finances, we ask Mr. Alexander, of Hamilton, to prepare a paper upon the subject, at the next Union meeting in Brantford. Carried.

Mr. Ed. Yeigh, of the *Canadian Advance*, addressed the Union.

The hearty thanks of the Union were accorded to Mr. James White, for his valuable paper on "Church Finances."

Moved by the Revs. Dr. Wild, and W. F. Clarke, that the Committee on Church Manuals, consisting of Revs. John Wood, Dr. Cornish and Dr. Jackson be re-appointed, and that the Rev. F. H. Marling be added, and that the committee be instructed to proceed as soon as possible. Carried.

The Union adjourned.

MONDAY EVENING, June 11th.

The last meeting of the Union was opened at 8 o'clock with

singing. The Rev. John McKillican offered prayer. After a few opening remarks from the chairman, the Rev. E. M. Hill spoke on the C. C Foreign Missions, and the Woman's Board of Missions; Mr. W. McCartney, on Systematic Giving; and Mr. George Hague, on the College Endowment Fund.

In accordance with the request of the General Missionary Committee, it was decided to give the Thursday morning for the annual meeting of the Canadian Congregational Missionary Society.

The following resolutions of thanks were moved by the Rev. D. McGregor, seconded by the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, and carried.

1. That the warmest thanks of the Union be presented to the pastors and members of Emmanuel, Calvary, and Zion Churches, for the warm and cordial hospitality extended to the members of the Union; in which manifestation of kindness and thoughtful consideration, the ladies deserve honorable mention, as well as Mr. H. W. Walker, Chairman of the Reception Committee.

2. To the organist and choir of Emmanuel Church, who have inspired us with their melody and song during the public services; and to Miss Wilkes, who has presided at the organ during the morning prayer meetings.

3. That the hearty thanks of the Union be given to Rev. Wm. Cuthbertson, B.A., for his noble, masterly, and inspiring lecture, on Friday evening last.

4. That the thanks of the Union are due, and are hereby tendered, to its efficient secretaries, Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D., *General Secretary-Treasurer*; Rev. G. Robertson, B.A., *Statistical Secretary*; Rev. J. C. Wright, *Statistical Secretary for Sunday Schools*, and also to the Revs. J. P. Gerrie, B.A., and G. F. Brown, *Minute Secretaries*.

5. That the thanks of the Union be given to Sir Wm. Dawson, for his kindness in extending an invitation to the members of the Union to visit the library and museum of McGill University.

6. That the thanks of the Union be given to the various railway and steamboat companies, for granting reduced rates.

7. To the various newspapers for their press reports; and to the proprietors of the *Montreal Witness*, for copies received for distribution.

A resolution was read from the Woman's Board of Missions, conveying their thanks for the kind hospitality extended to their delegates.

The Rev. F. H. Marling addressed the meeting in reply to these resolutions.

Moved by Rev. W. H. Warriner, and seconded by Rev. Dr. Wild, that the minutes be taken as read, and confirmed. Carried.

The Union then adjourned, to meet in Brantford on the Wednesday after the first Sunday of June, 1889, at 10 a.m.

J. P. GERRIE, } *Minute*
G. F. BROWN, } *Secretaries.*

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1887-8.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Secretary-Treas., Expenses to Cobourg	$ 1 90	
" for printing Reports in YEAR BOOK 1887-8	80 00	
" R. R. and Boat certificates	2 73	
" Copying Minutes 1886-7	7 50	
" Postage, Registration and Express	4 77	
" Ministers and Delegates on ac't travelling expenses	486 86	
" Balance in Treasurer's hands	21 10	
		$604 86.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand from last year	$ 61 90	
Interest to May 31st	1 00	
Received for 4 Model deeds	4 00	
" from Rev J. C. Wright, expenses returned	1 95	
Collections from Churches, 1888	536 01	
		$604 86

SPECIAL ACCOUNT, "BAIN BEQUEST."

Balance last year	$207 54
Interest to May 31st	11 09
In Bank	$218 63

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand as above	$ 21 10

CHAS. R. BLACK, *Chairman, Finance Committee.*

W. HENRY WARRINER, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

Montreal, June 11th, 1888.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CHURCHES.

Detailed list of Churches, and amount received from each.

Alton and North Erin, Ont	$6 00	Middleville, Ont	$6 00
Barrie, Ont	5 00	Montreal, (Emmanuel) Que	53 25
Belwood, "	5 00	" (Zion) Que	10 00
Bowmanville, Ont	10 00	" (Calvary) Que	15 25
Brantford, "	15 00	New Durham, Ont	8 00
Brigham, Que	5 00	Newmarket "	5 00
Cobourg, Ont	9 40	Ottawa, "	15 00
Coldsprings, Ont	5 50	Paris, "	10 00
Cowansville, Que	13 00	Pine Grove and Unionville, O.	7 37
Danville, "	9 00	Sarnia, Ont	9 00
Eaton, "	8 00	Scotland and Burford, Ont	15 00
Edgar, Ont	7 00	South Caledon, Ont	5 00
Embro, "	10 12	Sherbrooke, Que	15 00
Fitch Bay, Que	9 30	Stouffville, Ont	4 00
Forest, Ont	10 00	Stratford, "	10 00
Garafraxa, Ont	5 25	St. Catharines, Ont	5 00
Georgetown, "	5 30	Toronto, (Bond St.) Ont	50 00
Granby, Que	10 00	" (Riverside) "	5 00
Guelph, Ont	10 00	" (Western) "	10 00
Hamilton, Ont	15 00	" (Yorkville) "	10 00
Hawkesbury "	4 30	" (Zion) "	20 00
Humber Summit, Ont	1 00	Ulverton Que	5 00
Kingston First, "	13 00	Waterville, Que	6 00
Lanark, Ont	7 10	Wiarton, Ont	5 00
Listowel "	6 00	Woodstock, Ont	10 00
Maxville and Martintown, O.	12 87		
Melbourne, Que	5 00	Total	$536 01

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STATISTICAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

OF THE CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC FOR THE YEAR 1887-88.

Mr. Chairman, members and delegates of the Union :—

The year has been one of substantial progress. We regret that so many churches have failed to send in returns. A few reports came to hand too late to appear in the tables. We are pleased to notice that the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit, and the Word of God, combined with earnest pulpit and pastoral work, have been abiding with the churches. Revivals of grace have taken place at Ottawa, Belleville, Kingston (1st Church), St. Andrew's, Canifton, Pine Grove, Calvary (Montreal), and Pilot Mound (Manitoba). These and other churches have been blessed with quickened life and augmented membership. Some reports contain a prayer for the revival of God's Spirit in the hearts of the members. The hope of all our congregations is wrapped up in the power and Word of God. May our motto for the coming year be, "A revival in every church, and an increase in benevolent gifts all along the line."

The year began with an unusual number of vacant pulpits. Since our last report, the following churches have welcomed pastors: Emmanuel (Montreal), Sherbrooke, Cobourg, Manilla and Creswell, New Durham, Brigham, Melbourne and Durham, St. Thomas, Wingham, Forest, Stratford, Winnipeg, Portage la Prairie and Canifton. We welcome to a place on our roll, Canifton, a new and promising church near Belleville. Also the names Wood Bay and Portage la Prairie. We greet those who are laying foundation-work in the far West. Soon we expect to add the name of the promising cause in Vancouver, hard by the sea.

The churches are in touch with the supremely organic age. Societies of Christian Endeavor have been founded at Frome, Sarnia, Zion and Hazelton Avenue (Toronto). The time has come for rousing the young Christian workers into organic effort on behalf of the church proper.

We notice with pleasure that a system of "church-visitations" has been inaugurated. Our polity conserves our independence; but our independence is only maintained, that we may be united by the bonds of fellowship in Christ and wider benevolence. The Western Association has begun with much promise a system of church-visitations. The Central Associa-

tion has sub-divided itself into districts, with a similar end in view. It is hoped that each church will be brought into sympathetic touch with the other, in preaching Christ to men.

Accessions to Membership.—During the year, 625 were received on profession of their faith in Christ, and 328 by letter, making in all, 953. Our losses have been larger than usual. This is accounted for by a more general revision of church rolls. The total losses amount to 653, leaving a net increase of 300. The following churches have been encouraged by hopeful accessions: Winnipeg, 194; Bond St., Toronto, 102; Ottawa, 56; Kingston (1st), 41; Emmanuel, Montreal, 39; Belleville, 34; Montreal (Calvary) and Guelph, each 29; Hazelton Avenue, Toronto, 26; St. Andrew's, Que., 24; Georgetown and Canifton, 20 each; also the Western Church (Toronto), Granby, Wiarton, Mount Zion (Toronto), Sarnia, Lanark, and Bethel (Kingston), have all been gladdened by encouraging additions. It becometh each and all to praise the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

Material Advancement.—New churches and parsonages have been erected. Older structures have been renewed and beautified, and thereby rendered more attractive and suitable for the worship of God. The Western Church, Toronto, reports a new building fast approaching completion. Fidelity, courage, liberality and progress are combining to build a new Temple for Ottawa.

Financial Statement.—The financial statement shows a year of material progress. Church debts are still disappearing. The church debt column has been increased some $10,331. This is explained by the fact that the report last year showed that the total value of church property was $599,350. This year the value has been increased to $653,100, making an advance of $43,429. It follows that the total value of church property has been increased $33,098.

The total amount raised for all purposes in the year 1887-8 was $109,780. This year we have reached our highest figure, $120,966. Last year the churches raised $15 per member; this year the amount *pro rata* has advanced to $16.63. Can we reach the $20 per member? Manitoba gives $26.70, *pro rata*; Quebec, $18.50; Ontario, $14. 7,871 members raise $120,966. This, we believe to be a hopeful sign for the future.

In closing, allow me to suggest:

(1). That the S. S Statistics be confined to the Statistician of that lepartment.

(2). That the pastors of churches take more interest in reporting, promptly and fully, church statistics.

(3). A revision of the church roll of the Union.

GENERAL.

Pastors in Office	61
Number of Stations, not Churches	46
" " Preaching Stations on the Lord's Day	117
Average Attendance on Sabbath Services	15,589
Total under Pastoral care	19,906

ADDITIONS TO MEMBERSHIP.

By Profession	625	
By Letter	328	
		953

LOSSES.

By Death	94	
By Letter	215	
By Discipline	13	
Dropped on Revision	331	
		653
Net increase		300

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP.

Males	2,727	
Females	4,248	
Particulars not given	896	
		7,871

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Number	92
Officers and Teachers	948
Scholars on the Roll	7,634
Average Attendance	5,515

BAPTISMS.

Adult	54
Infant	560

CHURCH EDIFICES.

Number	92
Parsonages	32
Number of Sittings	28,722

FINANCES.

Value of Church Edifices	$599,700
" Parsonages	53,400
Amount of debt on Church Property	121,352
Net Capital in Property	531,748
Amount raised for Local Church Purposes	91,324
" " " the Union	521
" " " C.C.M.S.	3,422
Dr. Jackson's Report	6,270
Amount raised for C.C. of B.N.A.	2,874
Dr. Cornish's Report	3,904
Amount raised for Foreign Missions	2,074
" " " other Denominational Objects	2,423
" " " General Benevolent Purposes	2,142
Net Increase for the year	2,440

GEO. ROBERTSON,
Statistical Secretary.

16 Avenue Place, Toronto.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICAL SECRETARY'S REPORT, ONTARIO, QUEBEC, AND MANITOBA.

(For details see "Tables" ante)

In presenting this, my first report of our Sunday Schools, I am conscious of its meagre and incomplete character. It is incomplete both as regards the number of schools reported, and the details given. As it is best, however, for us to look at the bright side, we take comfort in the fact that the report is a decided improvement on that of last year. More schools have reported, both in Ontario and Quebec Provinces, and Manitoba reports herself for the *first time* on our list, with four schools. Your Secretary would have been much gratified to have drawn a comparison with former years, in the matter of detail, especially in reference to money raised for missions, Home and Foreign. But this was beyond my power, because of the careless manner in which many of the schools presented their financial position. I regret this much, because, from the amount given as raised for all purposes, viz. (Ontario alone) $3,929 44, it is evident we have a great possibility, through a wise expenditure, to do much for missions in our Sabbath Schools. I hope, therefore, that in future, the reports may come in such form that we may be able to present figures in this connection that will not only interest, but inspire us all to greater effort.

J. C. WRIGHT, *S. S. Secretary.*

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CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

THE CHURCH AND HER ESTRANGED CHILDREN.

BY THE REV. JOHN MORTON, OF HAMILTON, ONTARIO.

On the 9th of May last, at a great meeting in Memorial Hall, London, England, an address signed by 3,730 Nonconformist ministers was presented to Mr. Gladstone, expressing sympathy with him in his noble effort to reconcile the Irish people to the English nation. It was a grand occasion, and a grand act, altogether worthy of the men who took part in it. It reminds me of another gathering held at Washington some months ago, at which the leading Christian ministers of the United States conferred together, and prayed together, respecting another reconciliation—I mean the reconciliation of the estranged masses to the Christian Church. This assembly was a sign of the times, showing on the one hand the crude state of affairs respecting the estrangement of thousands from the church, and on the other the determination of the best men in our churches to leave no stone unturned to remove the alienation.

Now it appears to me that there is a similarity between the two works of reconciliation. It is generally conceded that England, with all her virtues, is not without blame: that she is, in a measure, responsible for the estrangement, and that in order to remove it she must free herself from the causes of complaints, and bear herself so generously as to restore confidence. And it is not otherwise with the church, in relation to *her* estranged. While we glory in her beneficent relation to the world, we must admit that she has had great outstanding faults, which have turned thousands away. If she would remove the estrangement, she must by God's help free herself from her faults. The remarks I have to make to-day will be an illustration and enforcement of this duty. And it will be found that the question has a wider bearing than the relation of the church to the estranged masses: for the movement which is to win back the estranged, is the movement which is to keep those who are still in the fold from wandering. Before, however, turning directly to this duty resting on the church as a whole, let us look at the part which we, as a denomination, have to play in it. What position do we occupy along with the other workers?

As we cast our eyes athwart the Dominion, and think of the millions who are to spread themselves over the waiting acres, what share

lies to us in keeping those who are still within the fold from wandering, and in winning back those who have wandered? What can we, by the grace of God, do for our fellow-men?

And first, a preliminary word to those of us who are present. Let me congratulate you on the inspiration for the work, to be derived from these meetings. Here, for a brief space, we are buoyant, whatever of hardness, and drawbacks, and narrowness there may be in our actual work during the year—at this time it is forgotten—or almost forgotten. By the faces and voices of our brethren God comes to us and cheers us. Our eyes are lifted from the poor actnal and encouraged to look along the shining path of progress, to the grand To Be! We are made to forget the struggle in the valley, and feel that we are already on the hill-top of victory, singing the song of triumph. Our hearts are large enough to take in all kinds and conditions of men, and patient enough to take pains with the most unpromising.

But the actual, after all, remains; and however high we may soar, we shall in a few days have to return to it again, like the lark to her field. We *wish* to return to it, we wish to be among our people again, for, God helping us, we would not leave our task, however hard it may be: nay, its very hardness is, in our best moments, its greatest attraction. Forgive me therefore, if, for a moment, I recall its most uninviting features. It will prepare us to meet them and wisely to deal with them.

Looking then *broadly* over the *great denominations*, and comparing them with our own, I see that our churches are few beside theirs; they are also small beside theirs; and our income is as nothing to theirs. I see, also, that the great social and business currents carry the masses past our doors, unless there be a powerful attraction to deflect them. And sometimes I hear a friendly voice saying, "You are not aggressive in Canada. Strange, for you are strong across the line and in England!" Thus we are brought back to the actual—the stony field in which we are holding our plough three hundred and sixty-five days in the year—and happy are they who never feel a sinking of heart, or (what is more likely in the strong) a momentary restlessness and discontent with their lot, a desire to change the field, and do their work in easier conditions.

Four years ago, from this very chair, in this place, in a calm and judicial address, respecting our denominational position, it was stated that *we are not to expect any great growth till we take our part in the coming federation of churches*. This was bringing us back to the actual present and to be; and we fretted at it a little. It was not so pleasant as soaring in the blue sky of our historical records, but it was salutory, for we must remember that we cannot build our nest in the sky, however blue it may be, or raise our offspring there. This maternal work must be done on the ground, and the ground is not always dry and pleasant.

Now, I am not in the position of our brothers—by long experience and intimate knowledge of the country—to forecast with assurance either as to our size or as to our possible future. But I wish to say, that there is nothing in this forecast—whatever view we may take of it—to discourage us. If, in the providence of God, we are to become part and parcel of a federation of churches working for the weal of man, let us try, by the grace of God, to be worthy of the partnership. If, on the other hand—which is more likely—we are to retain our individuality, and to be the allies of the greater denominations in their ministry of mercy, let us do the part assigned to us bravely and well; so that in labours of love we shall not be a whit behind the chiefest on the field. Whatever form the churches are to take in the future, whether that of a great Christian republic under a representative government, or that of congregationalism pure and simple, we may rest assured that everything good in us will survive! For the church of the future, following the law of progress, will, like every other institution, eliminate the retarding elements, and retain only those features and forces which will best qualify her to accomplish the great work which has been entrusted to her in the world. The individual or the denomination which has most of these forces will have the largest share in the church of the future.

As to our *size*. This should not affect us—except, indeed, to make us more devoted in proportion to our smallness. It is true, denominations many times our size are in a position to do more work, and we rejoice that they are. God has laid more upon them. They have more workers. They have larger means. They have better opportunities of reaching the ear of the people, for the crowd attracts the crowd. But while we are not able to do so much as some of our neighbours, this will not sour us, or make us less eager to do what we *can*. And we have much in our favour which commends us to those we wish to help.

Our name is not against us.—Our fathers have seen to that, and given us a name which is a praise throughout the wide world. Nor is our polity a hindrance, but rather a help; for it is in harmony—if it be willing to adapt itself a little—with the democratic feelings of our country. Nor have we to contend with prejudice. Our fellow-countrymen are ready to listen to the Gospel humanely spoken, whether it comes from a prelate of the Church of Rome, or from a captain of the Salvation Army. They do not ask, "Who is saying it?" but, "What is he saying?" So then, granting that the social and business currents sweep past us, there is ample opportunity of usefulness. We, too, may have a share in helping our fellow-men; and that in every department. Our college may turn out able ministers of Christ; some of them to take a front rank in the Christian scholarship of the age; some of them to take an honorable place among missionaries; some to speak to the cultured and thoughtful: and some, because of special

gifts, to go down among the degraded, and to vie with the best in the Salvation Army in lifting the fallen ; and many, with ordinary talents, and Christ in their hearts, to preach the love of God to perishing men. And our churches may supply men and women who, touched by the love of their kind, will go out into public life, and lend a hand in helping on these great reforms, which are yet needed to lift the burdens from the masses, and to make it easier for them to be good. In short, I see not why we should not, in every department of Christian work, prove ourselves worthy of the race from which we are sprung, of our allies by whose side we are standing, and of the high calling wherewith we are called. There are about 8,000 of us scattered over the Dominion. What possibilities lie in 8,000 souls, who are serving their fellows, not for the gratitude they are to receive, but for Christ's sake! What burdens they may lift! What hearts they may soothe! What social and political evils they may help to remove!

But now look to the people whom we are to help. And I leave for the time those who are growing up in our churches, and from whom our principal growth is to come. I look to those who are on the *outskirts of our churches*—that large class who are unattached, or but slightly attached—and I remark that, apart from our natural growth, our principal gains are to come from this class. Here, among these outsiders, we have the best opportunity of testing the attractive power of our love, and of securing recruits for our Saviour. Our gains are not, as a rule, to come from any of the great denominations ; nor, for that matter, from any of the smaller denominations, but from the outlying masses, and from the children who are hanging loosely to the skirts of the churches. Among these we are to go, with the story of heavenly love, and with humane hearts, to shine upon them, and to make them feel that our presence is a blessing. From these we are to make new friends. It is an established fact in the history of religious movements, as was shown recently by Sir W. Hunter, in a remarkable address on the religion of India, that the increase does not come from the orthodox ranks, but from the unattached, and those who are outcasts. It was so in the start of Christianity ; for she gained the masses by her recruits, neither from the ranks of orthodox Jews, nor from the educated pagans, but from those who hung loosely around the outskirts of these classes. The Methodist movement, though started in the bosom of the Church of England, did not make its gains from the good members of that church, but from the people outside, who were more or less free. And it is well known that our foreign missionaries have made their gains, neither from the most educated peoples, nor from the most religious, but from the lower grades of society. Not many of the mighty among the Hindus, or among the Mohammedans have been called. Every normal religious movement has started on the ground, with its roots in the soil of the common heart ; and from that soil it has drawn the nourishment which has enabled it to rise

upward, and to spread its branches over the earth. We are to grow, then, not by attracting Episcopalians, or Wesleyans, or Presbyterians, but by working shoulder to shoulder with them on the non-Christian population, and by proving ourselves to be not a whit behind any of them, in our willingness to spend and be spent for the glory of God, and the good of our fellow-men.

These unattached people, who have either slight connection, or no connection at all with our churches, offer a fair field in which we can work along with the other denominations; and the question as to our success among them will turn, in its last issue, not on our size, or our age, or the glory of our ancestry, or on our liberality—though all these have their place and power—but on the use we can be to them; if we can help them; if we can bring hope to them; if we can inspire them with new courage for the battle of life; if we can assist them in working out their great pressing problems; if, in a word, we can minister Christ to them, we shall have succeeded. And as to our relative success, as compared with other workers, if that is worth considering at all, it will be according as we are more or less useful than they, along the lines I have indicated. If we are after the building up of our church, if we are seeking to show what a fine race we are, if we are aiming at anything that terminates on self, we shall fail; but if, with a noble self-forgetfulness we are going forth with the sole end of doing good to men for Christ's sake, failure is impossible.

In all this I have not touched on any *distinctive* mission that belongs to us. But is it not becoming less and less possible for denominations, as for nations, to have anything distinctive? Travel, commerce, the telegraph, and literature, are gradually effacing the peculiarities of nations, and making them possessors *in common* of all that is best in civilization. And so with denominations. They are getting rid of outstanding defects, and becoming sharers equally, in all that is good in Christian thought or work. The light that breaks out in any one denomination shines over all. It cannot be otherwise; the best students of all the denominations, sit under the same great teachers in science, philosophy and theology. They read the same books. And they meet in the same societies to discuss the problems of the hour. And what is true of the leading students who have opportunities of going abroad, is true also, in a sense, of all ministers and thoughtful Christians. A great book is published, and the impulse it gives is not felt within the denomination from which it comes alone, but spreads itself out to every individual in *all* the denominations. It becomes like a spiritual wind, blowing over the earth, and setting into motion every blade of grass in the field, and every leaf in the forest. This being so, the distinction must become less and less, and yet we may be, unconsciously, exercising an influence which is peculiarly our own. Victor Hugo says that some day, far in the future, a historian will be relating to a wondering audience that there was a time when there

were *kings* in Europe. I cannot say as to that. But if, in the future history of the Christian Church, a time should come, when the creeds are *a little less elaborate* than at present, when the members of the church will be the law-makers, and when the purity of the church is more universally sought after—I say if such a time should come, we shall have the satisfaction of knowing that God has used us in helping to bring about the change. But after all, the only distinction which is worth reaching out after is that which comes from uniting with our brethren in seeking to do good, in being instruments in the hands of God in bringing the gospel of Christ to the sad heart of humanity.

I have thus, in discussing our own work, been brought into the heart of the question with which I began: a question for all the churches. "How are the estranged masses to be brought back to the church?" And let me explain that I use the term "church" in its popular sense; meaning, the people who, professing faith in Christ, meet for the worship of God and for the observance of ordinances. Let me further explain, that in speaking of the estranged masses, I am not thinking of the church as friendless. On the contrary, she never had more friends than now. The best men in the world recognize her as the fountain from which flows all that is sweetest in life. The unbiased judgment of mankind acknowledges, that it is from our Christian churches that the men and women come, who are most humane most self-sacrificing, and most willing, like their Master, to do good. But while all this is true, while it is true that the church has hold of the heart of mankind, it is also true that there are thousands and tens of thousands estranged from her. They are spread over the Dominion, over the continent, over the world. They are found in greatest numbers in our workshops, but also in our offices, in our law circles, in medical circles, and in the literary class. They differ, wide as the poles, in many respects; some of them good, others not good; others positively vicious. Some of them estranged for one reason, some for another. Some of them retain slight connection with the church; attending now and again. Some of them are even devout worshippers. But while they differ in these respects, they are all one in their alienation from the church—this alienation varying in degree, from a want of warmth to a positive hatred. "How are these people to be brought back?" And I wish you to notice that my question, at present is not, "How are they to be reconciled to Christ?" which is more important. It is possible to be estranged from the church, in its organized form, without being alienated from Christ; just as it is possible to be a patron of the church, while the heart is far from Christ. As to the latter—have we not, again and again, been made to blush at the sight of men whose lives were notoriously bad, standing on the platform, or on the floor of the House of Commons, making fiery speeches in defence of the church, and declaring, with a curse, that they would be willing to shed their blood for her! They were lovers of the church,

without being lovers of the Saviour. There are, I fear, many of this class. They are sticklers for the church, while they show no savor of Christ in their homes, or in their dealings with their fellow-men. They love the church so well, that they are willing to adopt all kinds of sharp practices to keep up her finances, and to decorate her home; on the other hand, estrangement from the church is not necessarily estrangement from Christ. Luther and his followers became alienated from the church, in one of its organizations. Wesley and his followers, though not by their own desire, were alienated from the church in another of its organizations. And there are hundreds of Christians, outside of our Christian churches to-day, repelled from them, unwisely I think, by their glaring inconsistencies. Now I have not been speaking thus, to suggest that the masses now under consideration are all, or mostly Christian, for alas! I fear they are *not*. I have been thus speaking merely to make clear *the exact question before us*, "Why are these masses estranged from the *church*?"—from the organized societies of of men and women who profess to be Christians?—from those societies called Roman Catholic, Episcopalian, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Congregational, etc., according to their respective forms? And in trying to get a satisfactory answer to this question, it is important to get the point of view of those under consideration, to find out how they work on the church. And in this connection, I wish to observe that they do not, as a rule, distinguish between one section of the church and another. They look on it as a whole, as we do on Buddhism or Mohammedanism; and their point of view, in a large measure, determines their judgment. Whatever is done by any section of the church, is done by "the church" as a whole! If any section of the church has been opposed to social or political reform, the whole church is blamed. If any church is unsympathetic, this want of sympathy is charged to the whole. And what leads to even greater evil, whatever sin any single member commits, the whole church gets the blame of it. If a member of the church is a defaulter, or oppressive, or untruthful, or dishonest, or profane, or drunken, or selfish and spiteful, the whole church is discredited. If the members of an individual church, at their church-meetings, or in their relation to each other, are envious, and spiteful, and acrimonious, the outsiders say: "There is less brotherly love and forbearance in the church, than in secular societies." We are, to outsiders, a unit; and the evil of a part is the evil of the whole, and in the sense in which they use the term "church," they are right. The church, as she is found in the world, must be judged of, not ideally, but concretely—not by what she should be, but by what she is. And if, in any particular church, the ideal has departed—and there remains the form without the substance—as came to be the case with the church in the wilderness—she deserves no respect. We must judge her by her members. It would be wrong indeed to charge their sins to Christ, or Christianity—but their sins give character to the church,

and any judgment is incorrect that does not include them. Christianity is always perfect, but the Christian Church is only what her members make her, and hence these outsiders are entitled, when they see evils in her, to *think* that they are evils, to *say* that they are, and to have an *aversion* to them. And hence it is the case that every thing unlovely, of which a member of the Christian Church is guilty, is a cause, and a legitimate cause, of offence to the outsider, and in its measure responsible for the estrangement which we deplore.

There is another very important thing to be noted in the outsider's point of view. It has been said by some one, that it takes twenty virtues to establish a man's reputation for goodness, while one vice is sufficient to give him a reputation for badness. In other words we write the virtues of men on the sand, while we engrave their vices on brass. We cannot expect the estranged masses to deal more kindly in their estimate of the church. They see her blemishes more quickly than her beauties. They have no historical vision—they cannot be expected to learn of the good the church has done, but they know well the evil of which she has been guilty. They should remember that the church introduced a new life into the world which has, ever since its inception, been elevating and purifying; that in the dark ages she stood against emperors as the guardian of the poor, and dared them to touch them at the peril of their souls. They should remember that they were members of the Christian Church who fought, and died, to secure the liberties they are now using to abuse the sacred institution. They should remember, also, that from the heart of the church have come the forces, social and moral, which, in the present century, have been snapping the chains of slavery, enfranchising the masses, and working in a thousand ways, through benevolent societies, and individual philanthropists, to ameliorate the condition of mankind; and, above all, they should not forget that the voice of the pulpit is a voice of love; that it proclaims to all men that there is hope for them; that God gave his only begotten Son for them, and that that Son still sympathizes with them in all their trials. They should see that whatever may be true of individual members of the church, or individual sections, her heart, which is the heart of Christ, is with them, and is seeking their good. But they are ignorant of all this, and remember only the church's wrong: that she kept millions in ignorance: that she has stood opposed to many of the reforms in this country which have been secured in spite of her; and that, at the present day, many of her active members are evil in their lives, and many more without sympathy for the sorrows and struggles of mankind. They fix their eyes on the hateful things in the church; they hate them and turn away.

Note then, the point at which we have arrived, in judging of the *cause* of the masses' estrangement. They are alienated from the church, not by the Christianity that is in her, but by the *sin* that is in her. Discriminating between the different classes of the estranged, and

putting aside for the moment the class made up of the positively wicked, and the atheists, they do not stand off from us because we love them and seek to help them; but because, on many occasions, and through many of our members, we have not loved them, have not sought to help them; have, on the contrary, stood aloof from them, and taken part with their enemies against them. They do not stand apart, because they see men of Christ-like character among us, but because they see among us men who are cold and selfish. Mark it well; it is not the *goodness* in the church that repels them, it is the *badness*.

While these great blemishes remain, thousands will be estranged. We are to expect nothing else. Has not our Saviour told us, woe unto the world because of offences; because of the offences arising from *unchristian* Christians? While these unchristian Christians are among us, "offences must come;" they cannot be avoided. "But," says our Lord, "Woe unto that man by whom they come: it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

This brings us to the remedy. Since it is our evil which is the chief cause of estrangement, we must cease to do evil. We must, looking back on the past, consider wherein we have given occasion for the enemy to blaspheme. We must purge ourselves; we must cast out the unclean thing. And we must do this, not so much by casting out individual members, who are not what they should be, but by *lifting up the whole life of the church* to a higher and purer plane. Every member of the church must take his own life in hand, and purge out of it whatever may have been a cause of stumbling to any soul. We owe it to Christ; we owe it to His cause—the cause of man—that we shall not allow anything in our lives to be a legitimate cause of offence.

When the members of all the churches shall, in fair measure—in such measure as may be expected in this life,—have ceased from actions that are positively hateful and unchristian; when Methodists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, and the rest of us, shall be so living that those who are without will have "no evil," or at least "little evil," to say against us—one large step will be taken in reconciling the masses to the Christian Church. But while these blemishes remain, it matters not what methods we adopt, what committees we form, or what activity we manifest, we cannot hope to fill up the chasm that yawns between us and the multitude.

But the removal of blemishes is but one step; and now I come to the positive remedy. We must not only cease to repel; we must, in a larger measure, begin to attract. We have said but little, when we have said that we are doing nothing to drive these people away, for still the question presses, What are we doing to keep them from going? With what strong cords have we been drawing them to our bosom? The remedy lies in the possession by the church of a strong attractive

quality. She must, like the great central orb of our system, hold the wandering orbs within her circle. But how? The answer is found, not in the word *method*, but in the word *temper*. Methods are vastly important; but wayside gatherers, tract distributors, house-to-house visitors, will fail, unless there be the proper temper. What we need, then, is a change of temper, or speaking more correctly, a wider distribution of the temper that is native to the church, and that characterizes Him who dwells in our midst: a wider distribution of love.

We must have sympathy with men; not merely because they are respectable, or because they have good taste, or because they have beautiful characters—because they belong to this nation or that—but because they are *men*. We are not to turn away from them because they are in the mire. We must be drawn to them, in whatever condition they are, as Moffat was drawn to Bechuanas, as Burns to his Chinese, as Jesus to the lepers—to the woman who had lost her reputation—to the men who were goodhearted, but made no profession of religion. We must be drawn to them because they are men, and heirs (though they are ignorant of it) of everlasting life. It is this quality in our Lord which has won to Him so many hearts. There is a scene in His life which never fades from my memory; I mean the occasion when He was on the hillside, with a crowd of people around Him, and when He said, as He looked on them, "I have compassion on the multitude, because they are as sheep without a shepherd." And we may be sure that there were in that multitude all kinds of characters—the noisy and rude, the shrinking and despondent, the sharp-eyed critics, and the thoughtful. But every one of them was an object of interest to Jesus. And there was not one of them whose manner or ways would have prevented Jesus from sitting down on the grass beside him, and being a helpful brother to him. And the sympathetic nature of Jesus, which comes out in these words, accords with a description of Him, as He now is, by the writer to the Hebrews, in which he tells us that our high priest can have compassion on the ignorant and on those who are out of the way. Indeed, we know that there is no characteristic of our Lord which stands out more prominently than this spirit of helpfulness to those who are not what they should be. This feature of His character is what stirs hope in our own hearts, for we know that if there be no love and help for those who are not what they should be, there can be no help for any of us!

It is this manner of his, that marks him off from all mere moralists and denouncers of wrong. The latter point out faults. They hold up the weak and erring to contempt; they laugh at the inconsistent. Or, in a different temper, they berate them—"give it to them," as we should say. Their word to the erring is a word of condemnation, without any savor of fellow-feeling. But Christ's word to those who are out of the way, is a word of sympathy. He came not to bring men to justice; He came to help them out of the difficulty into which

they had got by their transgressions. No one was more opposed to all departure from law than He; no one had, or could have a higher standard of living, but no one had a tenderer word for the wrong-doer. Was it not because He saw the pathos of life—how difficult it is to be good, how hard it is to take the straight course in the voyage of life, that there was this infinite patience and helpfulness in His heart!

"The world for Christ!" "The world for Christ!" is a cry, a noble cry which is often heard, and which rings in the ears of many workers in all parts of the world; but there is another cry, which goes deeper into the mission of Christ—I mean, "*Christ for the world!*" He came not in the first place to get the world to give itself to Him, but to give Himself for the world. As He himself expresses it, "I came into the world, not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give myself a ransom for many." He came as the great champion of man: of all men; of the Chinese who are landing on our Western shores, as well as the Saxons who are landing on our Eastern; of the black men who are in ignorance in the Southern States, as well as the white men who have kept them in ignorance; of the wicked and lawless in our land; yea, of the men who have drifted into socialism and anarchy. He came as their champion not to sympathize with their *evil*, but to sympathize with *them*; to take His place beside them, and to feel how hard it has been for them to be other than they are; to say to them, "Yes, I know all about it; I know the hardness of your lot: I feel for you, but let Me speak: Do not make it worse for yourselves; listen to me and I will show you your way out of it." Thus He has gone forth in His mission of helpfulness, baring His blessed breast to whatever arrows might pierce Him; and His motto is, "The best for mankind, though it may be the worse for Me!" Such is Jesus. And it is because He is such, the unselfish One, living for others, that He has a claim on the world's gratitude.

Now, what Christ is, the church, in the midst of which He dwells, is to be. Since we have a great high-priest, who has compassion on those who are out of the way, who has had compassion on *us*, we must be compassionate. We must take our stand, in sympathy, beside those who have failed in the battle for bread; with those also who have failed in the battle against evil habits; and with those, too, who have lost their way in their search after Christian truth. Let us not hastily judge them, but take our place beside them, remembering that it is not so much our duty to rebuke them, as to save them, if possible, from their errors; and remembering, also, that we too are but little children, looking up into the starry heavens of divine truth, wondering what it all means.

Look, for a moment, at this latter class. We should have large sympathy with those who have lost their way intellectually—whether they are befogged on the one hand or shooting the rapids of daring speculation on the other. Remembering all the causes, hereditary and

educational, which have wrought toward this; remembering that it is as hard to *think* right as it is to *act* right; and remembering our own baffllements and struggles in reaching even the first shoulder of the mountain of knowledge. I say, remembering all this, let us not meet them with rebuke. Let us rather sympathize with them; and if, in the impulse of youth, they go beyond the stage of reverent inquiry, and "rush in where angels fear to tread," let us not lose patience with them, but love them, as Jesus continued, in spite of all Peter's foolish speeches, and hasty conclusions, to love the impetuous apostle, who always said *something*, even when he wist not what to say.

We belong to a family who have done much for religious tolerance. For the last two hundred years, our forefathers in the faith have been pleading and suffering to secure that the *State* give liberty to every one, to think for himself in matters of religion. And to-day, we have to rejoice that in the empire to which we belong, and in the great Republic which has sprung from us, religious equality in the eyes of the law has been secured. We have to rejoice, also, that this great blessing is spreading over the earth, and that we are within measurable distance of the time when the cast of a man's religion will not be a disqualification in any land. The battle is won, and mankind is to reap the benefit. The civil rulers will allow every religion to have free course. But intolerance may be driven from the *State*, and harbored in the *heart*. We may take from the *State* the power to condemn, while the court still sits in our souls. There may be the stake and the pillory, and the banishment, in the *heart*, long after they have been driven from the State. The sentence of death, yea of a cruel death, may be pronounced in the heart, long after such power has been taken from the magistrate. About two years ago I met a pious Christian lady, who was then and still is, engaged in Christian work in the city in which she lives. Our conversation turned on one of the large churches in the city, and she remarked, in a gentle though decided tone, "I believe there are few, if any, of the Lord's people in it." That lady would be the last to persecute, and yet in the court of her heart she was calling six or seven hundred professing Christians to the bar and pronouncing sentence upon them, and I fear judgments of this kind are not so rare as might be supposed. We hear such remarks as these, "So-and-so is converted." "So-and-so is not converted." "It is enmity to God that makes him a doubter." "It is because he wants to cling to sin that he will not accept the truth." Now, however true it may be that there are persons in the condition described by these sentences, we are not in a position to apply them to *this man* or to *that man*; for we see not the heart. And such remarks are often hastily made; in some cases flippantly made, by self-constituted judges who know little of the human soul, and of the struggles through which it has to pass, on its way to the Kingdom. The same must be said of all those judgments that pronounce on

the final condition of those who have never had an opportunity of hearing the gospel, or of those who, though pure and reverent in their lives, have drifted away from the Son of God. I am well aware that such judgments are not formed or expressed by those who have a right to speak for the Christian Church; but they are both formed and expressed by many who belong to the church, and who claim to speak for her, and for her Lord. Such injudiciousness, to use no severer name, is fitted to estrange men. What better calculated to shock the sense of justice in the human breast, than the idea that the thousand million on our earth at the present moment, who have never heard the gospel, live and die without any opportunity of salvation — that by the necessities of their lot, they come into existence with but one road before them, and that the road that runs down the slope of the mountain to the dark valley of eternal despair. By these hasty judgments, the judgments that fail to see the breadth of the operations of the gracious God, many misrepresent Christianity to the world.

I plead not for license. I do not take the view, that it does not matter what a man believes, so long as he lives right; for I am convinced that no man can live right, or at least, live long right, who does not *think* right. I do not plead for indifference to truth; but I plead for a large tolerance for those who, amid many conflicts, are failing to find their way. Only thus can we help them; only thus can we keep them from being estranged.

The church must also, in all her members, stand in sympathy with those who have yielded to vice. Not that we are to have any sympathy for the *vice*, any more than the mother has for the disease which is marring the beauty of her child. But we are to take part with them against their vices. Our love for *them* must be stronger than our loathing for their *vice*. We must guard against the sentimental love for the debased, which tenderly, and with falling tears, prays for the degraded South Sea Islanders, but which turns away with disgust and harsh epithets from a company of rough Canadians. I said a moment ago, that it is hard to *think* right. I wish now to remember that it is hard to *love* right. When we think of the inherited tendencies with which a man begins this life; when we remember the stored-up forces of evil as well as good, which lie latent in the little life, we shall feel like speaking a word for it, if, when it lapses, too harsh a word be spoken against it. We shall say, "Consider how much he had to strive against; think, not how bad he is, but how much worse he might have been!"

There are children brought up in homes where Christ is ridiculed; there are children brought up in homes where the ideas of morality are indefinite; there are children who inherit in their blood and brain wrong tendencies of faith and feeling. Those powerful impulses, gathering momentum from past generations, carry the individual along with a power which, in many cases, is all but irresistible. How hard

it is for some people—for most people—even after they are Christians, to be good, and kind, and patient, and truthful, and noble! In many cases it is almost the same as to tell a steamer, struggling in the midst of the waves, to be still. We do not lose sympathy with her, if she appears to be overcome for a moment; nay, not though she becomes a helpless thing, at the mercy of the waves. And so with men who have become helpless waifs, and are borne wherever the current of passion carries them. Let us, drawn to them by the remembrance of their relation to God, overcome any natural loathing that may be in our breast; and let us get to their side, and say, "We know about it; we do not wonder; you have had much to contend with; we would help you." Acting thus, we shall be like Him who was the friend of bad people, and who can have compassion on those who are out of the way.

Last of all, let me say that the church should stand sympathetically toward those who are struggling, in various ways, with the problem of existence. Some are dealing with it in their individual lot; others, through the societies which are so numerous; others, again, through semi-political organizations. The church must not be a cold spectator of the men who are engaged in this struggle. The poor, especially, are to be considered. Not that the strong, who more easily gain a footing in the world, are to be forgotten, or looked at with anything but love and thankfulness, but the case is hardest with the weak. They are apt to be trodden upon, not perhaps intentionally, but, nevertheless, really. Many of them find it difficult to make ends meet; and remember, that their problem is not one of more or less comfort, but of independence or beggary. I do not hesitate to say that, as a rule, the working men in the city in which I live, have not enough to enable them to feel secure. With their family to support, and the fear of an idle month, they have often an anxious time. They are striving to remove this cause of anxiety by their organizations and societies. Sometimes they act unwisely, sometimes wisely, just as might be expected in a body of men; and as we find in the church itself.

Now, the church must stand sympathetically to these men in their struggle; and must have patience with them, even though at times they speak wild words. I do not mean that the church, as such, is to become an insurance society, to provide a living for all who may be left in want, or a political *machine*, to act on Parliament; but by her members, she is to be the strong friend of these masses in their struggle. From her circle must go out men who will direct them in their societies and plead their cause in Parliament.

If the church has to condemn, as it must condemn, some of the plans suggested to remedy the evil, let it not do so till it has made it clear, by word and work, that it sees the evil, and is doing its utmost to remove it.

There is, in this age, a mighty movement for the physical better-

ment of mankind. "The weal of man," "The weal of man." This is the motto which floats out on the banner of all societies. The positivist and the supernaturalist, the theorist and the practical philanthropist, the monarchist and the republican, have all the same cry. Now, how is this profession of good-will to man to be tested? Not by its loudness, or by its sweetness, or by the number of voices which join in it; but by the measure in which the promise is followed by performance. Not every one that saith, "Humanity, humanity," will win the affection of man, but they who prove themselves most useful. The fittest will survive. And in this struggle, the church has nothing to fear, if she be true to the great current of her past life, and to the Master who is in her midst.

The church, in her members, must have an interest, and must go out of her way to show her interest, in men. Her members, inspired by the love of men, must go forth from her holy circle, to take their part in the great work for the betterment of the race. She must make her influence felt in the education of the young, by supplying teachers whose Christian lives will transform the secular school into a sacred institution. She must make her influence felt in municipal affairs, by supplying the men who will be animated in all their actions by a supreme desire to help the people for Christ's sake. She must control politics by sending to Parliament men who will legislate for the people, in view of their relation to Christ. In one word, she is to purify the nation, by purifying the men and women of which the nation is composed.

It is thus the church is to win back the estranged masses. She must, on the one hand, free herself, by God's grace, of her blemishes—and on the other, convince men that she is living for *them*, not for herself. She must make it clear to them, that she is willing, like her Master, to give up all for them; that her mission is not to get but to *give*. And she must do this, not merely or chiefly through her official acts, but through the men and women of whom she is composed. They must, as individuals, become, according to their abilities, humane centres around which people will be drawn. It is in the measure in which the church is doing this, that she has a claim on the world's gratitude.

I do not say that this will gain every one. There are men who have the heart of Judas, who will not be touched, though the Son of Man should look into their eyes, and plead with them. There are men and women, of whom we shall have to say after we have done all, what the Saviour said of Jerusalem. Nor can we be sure that all who are won to us will be won to our Saviour. There will still be found those who follow for the loaves and the fishes. But whether we gain them or not, there is no alternative for us, as the followers of Him who gave Himself for men, except to continue in the path of sympathetic helpfulness; and of this we can be sure, if this does not remove their estrangement and draw them back, there is nothing else that will.

WESTERN CHURCH, TORONTO.

(See frontispiece.)

The Western church was formed in 1875, by an emigration from Zion church for that very purpose. The site selected for their worship was on the east side of Spadina Avenue, by far the widest street in Toronto. Here a small chapel was erected, near the rear of the lot; which has in the meantime served both for church and school-room. It will now be used for the latter purpose exclusively. The new church which fronts on Spadina Avenue, and occupies a good corner, is of white brick, sixty-seven by eighty-four feet. The distance of twelve feet between the rear of the new and the old building, is occupied by a one-storey building, giving accommodation for vestry and class-rooms. Entering through the front door, the main vestibule, eight feet wide and extending across the whole front of the church, will be reached. At either side are staircases leading to the gallery. The audience room proper is fifty feet wide and sixty-one feet in length, exclusive of the organ recess at rear, or the large recess at front in the gallery, over the entrance vestibule. Four aisles or passages run longitudinally down the church, giving access to the seats, which are on the circular plan, all facing the speaker's desk. Immediately in front of the pulpit platform is the choir platform, which is raised two steps above the floor of the church; while the pulpit is four steps higher. The floor of the church slopes toward the pulpit, so that all may have a good view of the speaker. In rear of these platforms is the organ recess. Along both sides of the church is a three-seat gallery, while the portion across the front, opposite the platform, is seven seats deep. The actual ordinary seating accommodation of the church is as follows: ground floor, 452; gallery floor, 293; choir platform, 30; total 775. The ceiling of the church is one clear span, formed into a triple barred arch, and divided by plaster ribs and purlins, and the side windows groined up into side arches. The height of the centre of the ceiling from the floor is thirty-seven feet. The interior casings and woodwork of the church are clear pine, with varnish finish; the seating is finished with hardwood. The door into the audience room is covered with cloth. The building is heated by two large furnaces. The ventilation is from gratings in the floor, connected by ducts to two large ventilation shafts; while at the ceiling there is ventilation at the open plaster centre bosses, which will be controlled by cords lets down to the staircase landings. The space in rear, between the church and the old building, is made to serve for a vestry, and also for two large class-rooms, which open by folding doors into the old school-room.

On the 4th of April, 1888, the corner stone of the new church was laid by the Rev. Arch. F. McGregor, the pastor. The building is, at the present issue, approaching completion.

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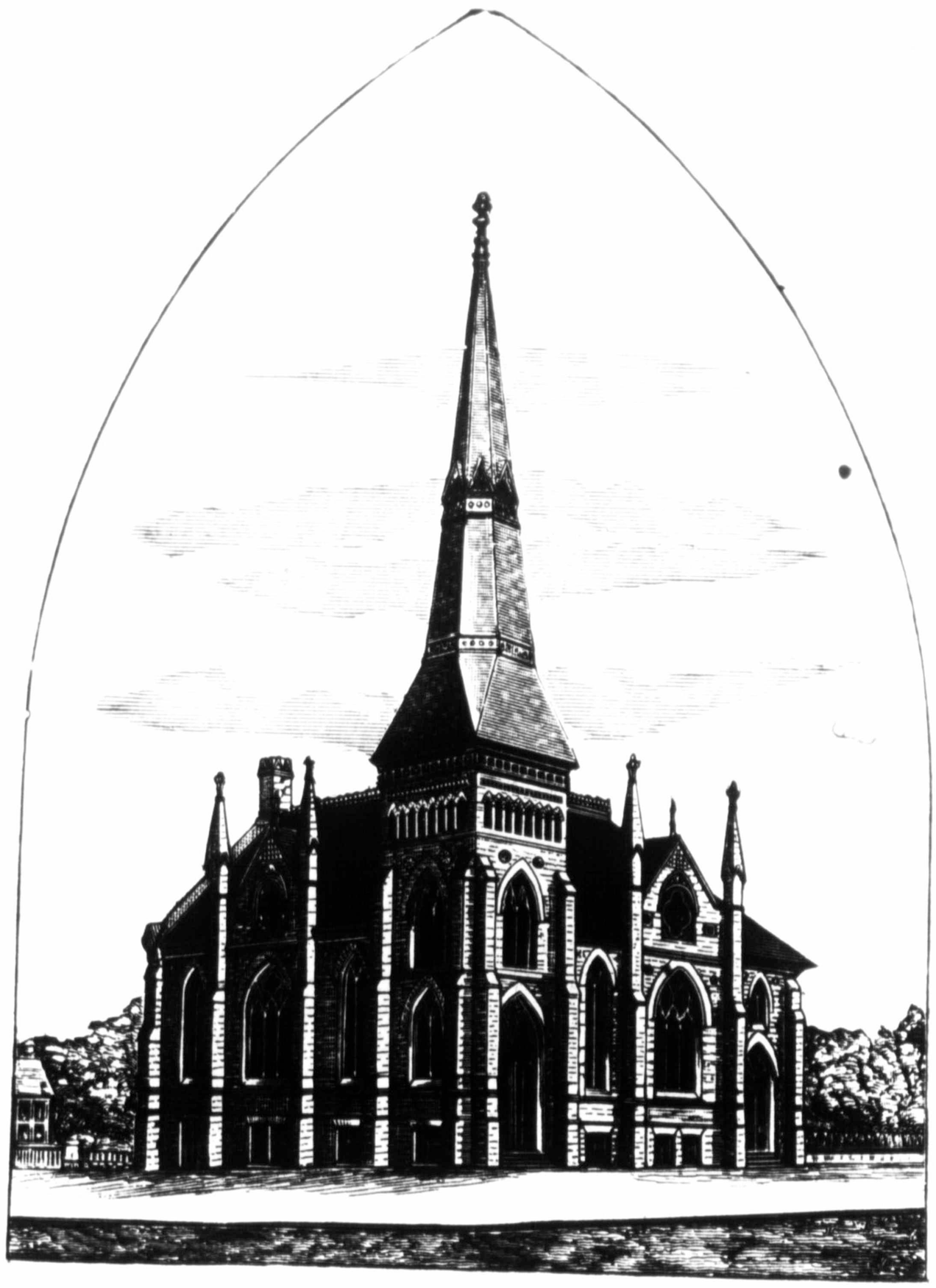

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, OTTAWA.

A neat little stone church was built in Ottawa in the early history of the Congregational cause there for Ottawa church is by no means as old as many of the other churches—but of late years it has become very apparent that more room must be had. About the beginning of 1888 a plan was made for enlarging the church building; but the cost would be nearly as much as building anew, and would not even then be quite satisfactory. So plans were obtained for a new building altogether. The stone and other materials were largely utilized in the new structure, the upper part of which is brick. There will be a considerable amount of debt on the new church; toward which the members—who are neither numerous or wealthy—not unnaturally, look for some assistance from abroad.

On 12th June, 1888, the corner stone was laid by Rev. John Morton, Chairman of the Congregational Union. Mr. Fielden, Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society, England, was also present; and several ministers and leading citizens of Ottawa. The building is supposed to be viewed from the north-east corner of Albert and Elgin streets, and so represents both the front and flank elevations, each of which will show a gable with a handsome window. The building will be of stone up to the church floor, above which it will be of red brick with cut-stone facings. It will be as nearly as possible square, with a measurement of about 58 feet inside, and the auditorium will be seated, in amphitheatrical style, for about 520 persons. There will be no gallery at present. It will have two main entrances, both on Albert street, and an entrance to the Lecture Room and Vestry from Elgin street. The ceilings of both Auditorium and Lecture Room will be of wood, the former stained and varnished, the latter painted white. The heating will be by steam. The windows will be of figured glass, with stained glass borders. The tower and spire will rise to the height of 108 feet, the spire being covered with galvanized iron. The roof will be of slate, with the exception of the centre portion of it which will be a deck covered with felt and gravel. The basement storey will contain a vestry, infant class room, two other class rooms, a kitchen and a lecture room 26 x 56 feet. The lecture room is to be ready for occupation by the 10th September. The whole, it is hoped, will be completed by about December 1st.

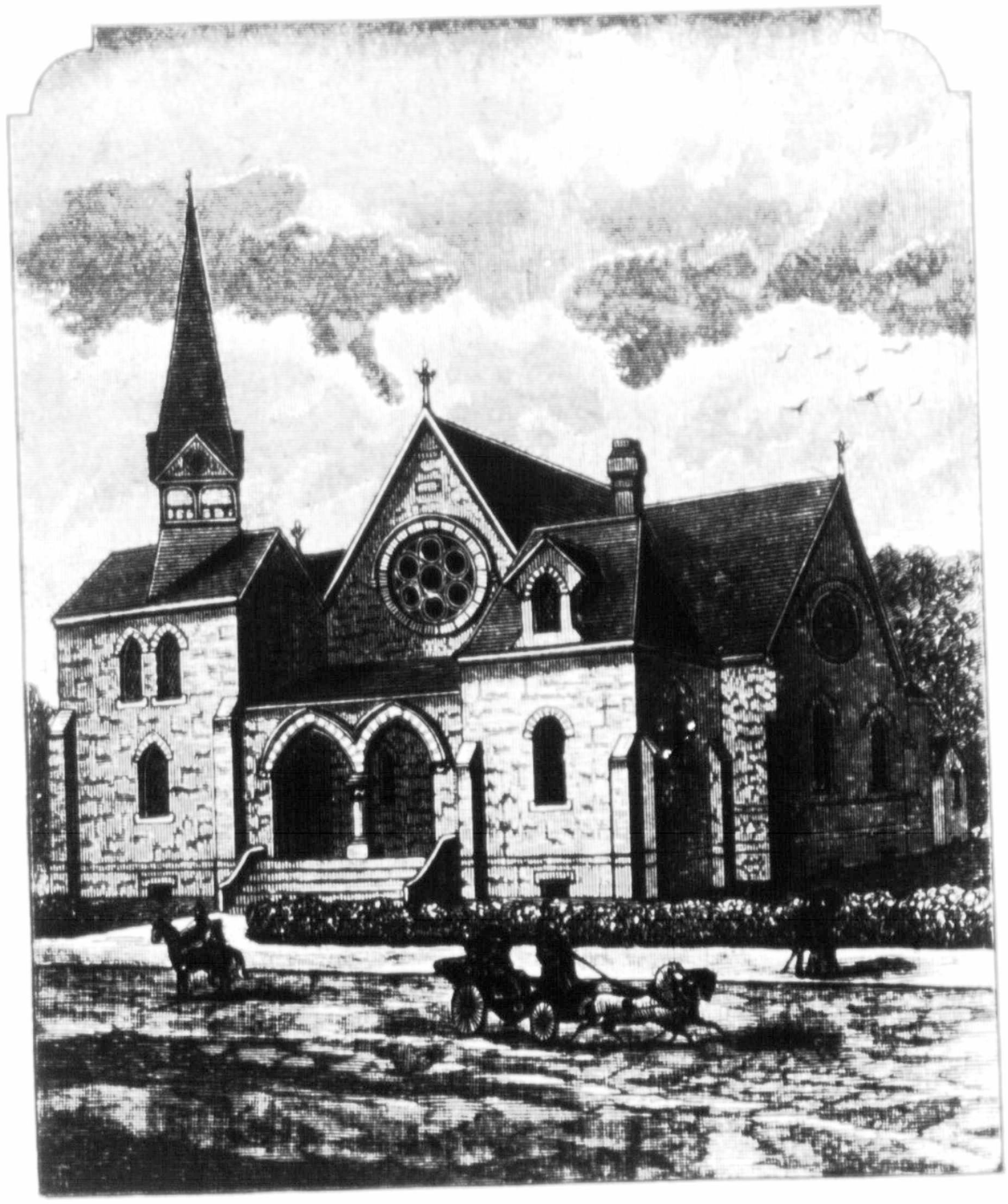
WOODSTOCK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

In May, 1885, a consultation was held, in view of forming a Congregational church in Woodstock, and in July of the same year, the organization was completed, with a membership of between sixty and

seventy. Rev. William Cuthbertson B. A., then of Chicago, was called as pastor, and accepted ; and on 15th December, 1885 was duly installed pastor. The church, after worshipping a year or two in the Town Hall and County Court House, resolved to build. On Friday, June 3rd, 1887, the building was formally opened.

The church building is situated on the east side of Light Street, adjoining the grounds of the Central School ; is built of stone, presenting externally a fine appearance ; alike creditable to the architect and congregation. The basement is well lighted, and with a lofty ceiling, is fitted up for lecture room and Sunday School purposes. The auditorium is finished throughout with black ash, oiled and varnished, with handsome ceiling ; is comfortably seated with semi-circular seats, well cushioned. It is thoroughly well lighted, and presents as you enter through large roomy porches, a most inviting appearance, which is enhanced by the organ that has its resting place immediately in the rear of the speaker's platform and desk. There is nothing superfluous and nothing mean in the general appearance, but all most admirably adapted for the purpose for which the structure is dedicated. The total cost is about $15,000. There is a fine organ which cost $2,100.

The architect is Mr. J. Cuthbertson. The deacons are Messrs. Donald McDonald, J. C. Ross, W. A. Reid, James White, Alexander Watson, Hugh McDonald. Mr. A. Watson is Treasurer ; Mr. J. Murray is Secretary.



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REV. W. McINTOSH, and REV. T. HALL, Delegates to Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec.

REV. W. S. H. FIELDEN, and REV. T. HALL, Delegates to Congregational Union of England and Wales.

REV. JOSEPH BARKER, and REV. S. SYKES, Delegates to Maine Conference.

Place of Next Annual Meeting:

MILTON, or one of the Churches of Queen's County, N.S., First SATURDAY in July, 1889, at 9.30, A.M.

Ladies' Home Missionary Society.

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GODDARD, HENRY, "
HALL, THOMAS, Kingston, Ont.
HAWES, J. B., Keswick Ridge, N.B.
McINTOSH, WM., Yarmouth, N. S.
PEACOCK, W., Pleasant River, N. S.
SAER, J. B., B.D., St. John, N B.
SHIPPERLEY, J , Maitland, N.S.
SYKES, S., Liverpool, N. S.
WHITMAN, J., Yarmouth. N. S.
WATSON, W. H., Chebogue, N. S.

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CHEBOGUE, "
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SOUTH MAITLAND, N. S.
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OTHER CHURCHES:

MILLTOWN, N. B
MANCHESTER, C. B.

ABSTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS.

The Forty-first Annual Meeting of the Congregational Union of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick was held in Yarmouth, N.S., July 7-10, 1888.

The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Watson, of Chebogue. The Rev. J. B. Hawes, the retiring Chairman, being absent, Mr. James Woodrow, of St. John, the Treasurer of the Union, took the chair temporarily, and called the Union to order.

Mr. D. H. Burpee, of Sheffield, N.B., was appointed Minute-Secretary, and Mr. F. W. Read, student of the Congregational College, B.N.A., Assistant.

The Sessional roll being then formed, the Secretary of the Union read letters from the Committee of the Colonial Missionary Society, and from the Secretary of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, conveying salutations and fraternal greetings from those bodies, and introducing the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, the Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society, as their delegate to this Union, as well as to the sister Union of Ontario and Quebec.

On motion of the Rev. T. Hall, Mr. Fielden was most cordially received, and requested to sit as an honorary member of this Union. The Rev. J. E. Aikins, of Robbinston, Maine, and the Rev. A. McGregor, of Pawtucket, R.I., being present, were also received as honorary members. After the appointment of Business and other Committees, the Rev. Thomas Hall was unanimously chosen Chairman for the current year. On taking the seat to which he was at once introduced, Mr. Hall made a few appropriate remarks.

While the Business Committee was preparing a docket of business, the Rev. J. Shipperley gave an interesting report concerning his work in Maitland and Noel. He said there are four churches in the field, but only two of them finished. There is a membership of about 75 in the Noel church. The cause at South Maitland has suffered through removals to the U. S. He supplies the four churches every two weeks, and with encouraging tokens of success.

Mr. L. Waterman, the delegate from Pleasant River, reported five additions to the church within the last three months. The church is expecting missionary aid, as heretofore, and hoped the grant would not be discontinued. The Chairman stated in reply that he and the Rev. Mr. Fielden had been appointed a committee to look into this and other matters of the same kind, and a decision would be arrived at as to the grants, when their report had been submitted to the executive.

Rev. Dr. Watson reported favorably of his work in Chebogue. Though there had been no additions during the year, yet the interest had been increasing, and the people showed a liberal spirit, financially and otherwise. Mr. Woodrow, the Treasurer of the Union, then read his Report; from which it appeared that there was a balance on hand of $49 82; but during the year a portion of the receipts had come from the sale of the property of Moose Brook church. The report was received and referred to the Audit Committee. A vote of thanks was given to the Treasurer.

At the afternoon session, the Statistical Secretary presented his Report. On motion of the Rev. S. Sykes, it was resolved that the report be adopted, and that the Statistical Secretary prepare a synopsis of it for publication in the YEAR BOOK. The discussion of the report occupied nearly the whole session, and called forth some interesting remarks. Dr. Watson spoke of the necessity of more prominence being given to the numbers received into the churches from the Sabbath Schools; and generally on the great importance of the work among the young.

Mr. A. K. Moore testified that by far the larger proportion of the members admitted to the church in Economy came direct from the Sabbath School; and expressed his conviction that individual work for Christ in the home and immediate neighborhood of church members, was of far more importance than religious revivals.

Rev. W. McIntosh stated that a proportion of nine-tenths of his church came from the S. School, and he was of the opinion that the report of the Statistical Secretary was not a matter of regret, but rather gratification, for, taking all things into consideration, the results were better than could be expected. He strongly deprecated religious revivals that resulted in excessive demonstration, but failed to make the converts any more liberal than they were before. He held that the kind of revivals carried on throughout the country were rather injurious than help-

ful to deep spiritual life. He heartily endorsed all that Mr. Moore had said touching the necessity of individual work, in preference to the kind of revivals referred to.

Mr. J. Woodrow spoke of the lack of systematic teaching of the principles of Congregationalism to the up-growing generation, and to that cause he attributed the non-aggressive feature of the denomination in the Provinces of this Dominion.

What is needed is a concise text-book for children, setting forth the principles of our denomination, and the reasons why our forefathers became Congregationalists, and why we should hold fast to the principles which they held so dear.

At this point, the Rev. Dr. Barbour, Principal of the Congregational College of B. N. A., being present, it was moved by the Rev. J. Shipperley, and seconded by the Rev. Mr. Fielden, that he be received as an honorary member of the Union. In seconding the motion, Mr. Fielden congratulated the denomination in Canada, on its good fortune in having at the head of the College, Principal Barbour, of whose high reputation he had heard at Yale, and elsewhere in the U.S. He esteemed it an honor to second the motion, and was sure that Dr. Barbour's influence and work would bring about a brighter future for the church in Canada.

The motion being put to the Union, it was most heartily adopted. Dr. Barbour replied briefly.

Mr. Fielden then addressed the Union at some length, in support of the question raised by Mr. Woodrow; and, in the course of his remarks, stated that the principles of Congregationalism, for which our fathers suffered, need but to be taught the children who were growing up, and they would not fail to esteem it a pleasure and honor, as well as a duty, to be loyal to the church of their fathers. He submitted to the Union some specimen tracts, written by eminent divines, which he thought it would be wise to procure and circulate as widely as possible among the churches. He then handed over to the Chairman a handsomely bound copy of the new Hymnal, issued by the Congregational Union of England and Wales, and a book of chants and anthems; both of which were a present from that body to the Rev. J. B. Hawes, as the Chairman of this Union for the past year. Mr. Fielden said that the books were recently compiled, and pronounced by eminent authorities to be the best of the kind published by any denomination. At the same time, cheap editions of the hymn book could be procured for 10 cts.

The Chairman accepted the books for Mr. Hawes, and in doing so made suitable remarks.

The Rev. J. Shipperley read the report of the Committee on the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT as follows :

"Whereas, the CANADIAN INDEPENDENT is a welcome visitor in many of our homes ; we, as a Union of the Lower Provinces now assembled, do heartily concur with its aim : and recommend it to our churches, as being an able advocate of our principles, and a needful means of communication between us. We mark its improved form, and augur success under its present editorship. We recommend that the pastors of our churches, and other friends, be earnestly requested to forward items of church news to the Editor."

On the motion to adopt the report, the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden said he was indebted to the INDEPENDENT for valuable information regarding the work of the churches in Canada, and emphasized the necessity of observing punctuality in the remittance of news concerning matters of interest. After a few remarks by the Chairman, the motion was carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. J. Woodrow, with the Rev. H. Goddard as seconder, the following Resolution on Temperance was unanimously carried :

"That in view of the terrible evils resulting from intoxicating liquors as a beverage, this Union earnestly recommends the principles of total abstinence to the members and adherents of our churches. And further Resolved—That this Union will approve of all parliamentary measures looking toward the prohibition and extermination of the liquor traffic, or the curtailment thereof ; and that each pastor be recommended to preach one or more sermons in the year, in the advocacy of the principles of total abstinence."

The Union then adjourned, to meet at 7.45 p.m.

At this meeting there was a large attendance. The singing was led by the choir of the Tabernacle Church, the first hymn being, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." The Rev. Mr. Aikins led in prayer.

In place of the retiring Chairman's address, which was not forthcoming on account of the Chairman's absence, addresses were given by the present Chairman, and by the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, which were heard with great interest.

Mr. Hall spoke particularly on the greatness of the Dominion, and the necessity of the Missionary Society. Mr. Fielden's address was mainly on the same topic. The country was great, and would be the future home of an immense population, which would flow into it from overcrowded Europe ; and the work done now would tell in the days to come. The mighty Republic

alongside of us owed a great debt to the Pilgrim Fathers, who planted the Congregational Church polity, which entered into the heart of the nation's life, and gave a mighty impulse in the direction of free thought and free institutions. England, he said, but for the noble men, who, in spite of prison or of threatened exile, planted the same polity, would not have been so great or so free, marching as it is, steadily, to greater freedom; some of the public men preparing the nation for the overthrow of State Christianity, and whatever has the effect of holding men in the fetters of ecclesiasticism and bondage.

In the course of his address, Mr. Fielden referred to King Alfred, Oliver Cromwell and Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone as the three greatest of England's public men. He gave a glowing picture of the future greatness of the Dominion of Canada. Canada, he said, needed more than it has yet had of that system of Congregational Church polity and religious life, which had done so much for Great Britain and the United States.

On Sunday morning, the Rev. Alexander McGregor, who, five years ago, had resigned the pastorate of the Congregational church in Yarmouth, which pastorate he had held for twelve years, preached from Isaiah xl. 9: "O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain. O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength."

In the afternoon, a Sunday School meeting was held. Addresses were delivered by Mrs. Capron, a former missionary in India, Dr. Barbour, Rev. Thomas Hall, Rev. Mr. Fielden and Rev. A. McGregor.

The Rev. W. McIntosh presided. The addresses were interspersed with singing. At the close, a collection was taken up on behalf of Foreign Missions. In the evening, Rev. Dr. Barbour preached an impressive sermon from John vi. 35: "I am the Bread of Life; he that cometh to Me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on Me shall never thirst."

This was followed by the Communion of the Lord's Supper, the pastor of the church presiding; assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Sykes and Watson, leading in prayer; and the Rev. Messrs. Fielden and McGregor giving short addresses. In the morning, the Rev. Mr. Fielden preached in the Congregational church in Chebogue. The Methodist, Baptist, Free Baptist and Presbyterian churches of Yarmouth were supplied either morning or evening by members of the Union. The day was all that could be desired, as regards weather. The bracing sea-air of Yarmouth

was greatly enjoyed by all who had come from places inland, where the heat is so oppressive betimes.

Monday morning, July 9th, a prayer-meeting was held at half-past nine, conducted by the Rev. Jas. Shipperley. At ten o'clock the business of the Union was resumed. The officers and committee for the ensuing year were appointed.

A discussion took place with reference to the circulation of denominational literature; the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden taking part in it, and speaking very favorably of the publications of the "Congregational House" in Boston, which he had recently visited.

Then followed a short discussion with reference to the place for the next annual meeting. The result was that the matter was left in the hands of the sub-committee for interim business, the Union not being able to decide at present, further than that the meeting should be in one of the churches of Queen's County, N. S.

The Treasurer reported that he had received a communication from the Trustees of Gorham College funds, but that it was too late to insert their report in the Treasurer's report of this year. $24 had been sent, being rent for past two years, which amount will be included in next year's account.

On motion of Mr. Woodrow, the following resolution, touching church deeds, was adopted:

Resolved,—That the members of the churches are recommended to ascertain whether the title deeds of their church properties will sufficiently secure the properties against trespass, and for the benefit and use of the Congregational church to which such property belongs, and to the denomination. And that the Union will co-operate with the churches through its Trust Deed Committee, in having the title deeds examined, and, if necessary, remodelled according to the deeds which the Union has authorized and recommended. And further, *Resolved*,—That the Trust Deed Committee be empowered to incur whatever expense may be necessary to have the properties of the churches legally secured, according to the terms of this resolution.

At the afternoon session the time was taken up with hearing reports from the Missionary churches, and considering their case with reference to future grants from the Missionary Society. Mr. Read, the student supplying Baddeck for the summer, reported that church as undergoing difficulties, owing to the removal of two families who had been the mainstay of the church; and owing also to a failure of crops in that district last summer. He said there was an average attendance of 75 at the Sunday services. The Sunday School was small, the prayer-meetings fairly attended, and the

work generally hopetul. The church is not at present able to support a separate pastor.

Mr. Mosier, the delegate from Brooklyn and Beach Meadows, stated that their pastor had resigned, that the parsonage was clear of debt, and that the people could raise between $300 and $400; and guarantee a pastor hay, produce and wood free. Brooklyn has a membership of 100, and Beach Meadows 40 or 50, many of whom are now away from home. The Rev. H. Goddard stated he had been in Brooklyn, and considered it one of the most promising fields in Nova Scotia, and if a suitable pastor could be obtained, it might become self-supporting. The Rev. S. Sykes said he had resigned because he felt that the people should have a separate pastor, who could work more effectually among the young people than he himself could while pastor of Brooklyn and Liverpool.

The Rev. Mr. Goddard, who had resigned at Milton and was now laboring for a short time at Cornwallis, spoke of the latter field as one in which there was a good opening for a suitable man to do a good work. He had visited 100 families, and considered that there were at present 30 persons eligible for church-membership; and that the people showed their great desire to have a settled pastor, in getting signatures to subscriptions amounting to $350 during two days; which they guaranteed to himself, if he would stay with them; that there are families outside the church willing to subscribe. The church had deputed him to inform the Union that if a man was not sent to them they must disband, disposing of the church property, and handing over the proceeds to the Union, and unite with other bodies.

The Rev. W. S. H. Fielden considered that it should be a point of honor, not to allow this field to pass out of the hands of the Union; and that if necessary a special subscription should be taken up to meet this great want. It would be a disgrace if the cause were to die out.

Mr. A. K. Moore moved that the Union supply this field with a suitable man, and means of support, as far as possible. The Rev. W. S. H. Fielden seconded the motion, which was carried.

Mr. Moore reported that the church in Economy was without a pastor; but that they were looking for one. He expressed deep thankfulness on behalf of the church, and personally, to the Rev. W. McIntosh for his sympathy and help in the recent stress of trial the church had undergone.

Mr. J. W. Jewett, the delegate from Keswick Ridge, N.B.,

said that he had expected the pastor to be present, and was therefore unable to give a detailed account of work in that place. The pastor's salary is paid up; eight members had been added the past year. The church and parsonage were out of debt.

The Chairman then expressed surprise that such a large congregation as this field comprises, having seven preaching stations, could not raise money enough to meet all expenses. In reply, Mr. Jewett said the weekly subscription had not been started there, and that the church had sustained loss by removals; one of which was a member who used to subscribe $50.

Mr. Moore considered that the standard of subscription is not high enough, and should be raised, in order that churches should really do as they are able to do. Mr. Sykes said there was room for two parishes in that field; and if this could be brought about, he thought the subscriptions could be doubled. He testified to the liberality of the people, from personal experience; having been himself pastor of the church for several years. The Chairman also stated that the ladies there had contributed well toward the Home Missionary Society.

Concerning the church in Maitland, N.S., the Rev. Mr. Shipperley further reported a membership of seven; that the church building was about to be finished; that there was a debt on the church of $300, at 7 per cent.

Mr. F. Fisher, delegate from South Maitland, reported the church building not yet completed, but that worship was held in the vestry. Their pastor had been paid up, but, owing to expense in building the church, they would like to have some assistance in defraying the pastor's salary for this year.

Mr. A. Anthony reported from the church in Selma. The church was finished and is free from debt. Mr. Shipperley preaches there once a fortnight. The membership is from 30 to 35; Sunday School numbers 25.

Mr. Shipperley reported concerning Noel. The congregation is larger there than at the other stations. The attendance is good. $100 contributed toward expenses; $500 raised by the whole field. A parsonage is being built, to which there are eight acres of land attached. When finished, he will reside there, instead of in Maitland. The church applies for $200 missionary aid. There were fifteen acres of land, but part had been sold. Rev. W. McIntosh was of opinion that as the people were in comfortable circumstances, they should raise the whole $700 required, without assistance. Rev. S. Sykes thought the field too

large for one man, and that it could be better worked by two. Mr. Fisher said if this were done, more support would be forthcoming.

Concerning the church in St. John, Mr. Woodrow attributed their present financial position to be due to the system of contributions carried out by the church. Although they had suffered greatly by removals of families, and discontinuance of support, caused by the fire in St. John, and also by the Maritime Bank failure, yet they had paid off $600 of the $800 they had incurred in repairs to the church building. Still, as an effect of these causes, the weekly offerings were $200 less than last year. Their pastor had taken a long holiday to recuperate himself, having been overworked. They were at present supplied. He (Mr. Woodrow) had many calls upon him, to give up the time he devoted to Union business for lucrative engagements; but having the interest of the churches at heart, he was induced to forego offers that had been made to him, and continue the duties that fell to him in his capacity as Treasurer of the Union.

Mr. L. Waterman further reported concerning the work at Pleasant River, N. S. The Sunday School was in a prosperous condition, and a better spiritual feeling existed among the brethren. There is a debt of $100 on the parsonage. The church tends to self-support, but the present condition of the funds is owing to failure of crops last year. At Ohio, the work is encouraging; the prayer-meetings much better than formerly. The Rev. W. Peacock reported the church at Baker's Settlement to be secured to the trustees and their successors in office, but the Lutheran brethren are permitted to hold their services there.

The Chairman thought it inexplicable that these fields could not support a pastor without aid; that it was a matter of much dissatisfaction to the Executive Committee, and all concerned. After a frank and open discussion, in which the pastor, the chairman and others took part, explanations were made; and finally, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and settlement.

There being no delegate from Margaree, the Rev. J. Shipperley, the late pastor, was called upon to report. He stated that the field was a promising one, and he hoped a good man would be found to take charge of it. The largest portion of the members and adherents, about 50 families in all, live within a radius of a mile or two. The church and parsonage were out of

debt, but the people were not as prompt as was desirable in paying the pastor's salary. He had resigned the pastorate under embarrassing circumstances; his salary being $300 in arrears, with no prospect of its being paid up. The church was also indebted to its former pastor, the Rev. W. Peacock, in the sum of from $20 to $30, which he had given up his claim to.

The Union adjourned by singing the Doxology, and the benediction by Mr. Fielden.

In the evening, the missionary meeting was held. The Rev. T. Hall, Chairman of the Union, called the Rev. W. McIntosh to the chair for the evening. The meeting was addressed first by Mr Hall, who gave his report as Missionary Superintendent; and also spoke on behalf of the Ladies' Missionary Society, which had been in session during the day, in the vestry of the church. In his address he showed the importance of the Home Missionary work, the progress which had been made in it, and the great importance of strenuous efforts in advancing the work of the Society.

He was followed by Mrs. Capron, who had labored for thirty years as a missionary in India, and under the auspices of the A.B.C.F.M. She was heard with great interest, as she spoke of the difficulties which the caste system in India had thrown in the way of successful missionary effort, and of the way in which those difficulties were met and overcome; namely, by tact and prayer; dropping the good seed of the Word into the heart, by personal conversation, and leaving it with God to give the increase. The closing address was given by the Rev. W. S H. Fielden. It was replete with facts and incidents, calculated to instruct and inspire with Christian zeal. A collection, amounting to $20, was taken up, and the meeting brought to a close by singing a portion of the hymn, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," and the benediction by Dr. Barbour.

On Tuesday morning, the prayer-meeting was conducted by the Rev. W. Peacock. At 10 o'clock the business of the Union was resumed. After reading minutes, the Business Committee recommended the following resolutions:

(1). That the Union Committee recommend the Trustees of the Gorham Estate to appoint Mr. John Dunlap as successor to Mr. William Anderson, deceased.

(2). That the officers of the Union, with the Rev. W. McIntosh, be the sub-committee for the transaction of interim business.

(3). That Mr. J. Woodrow and Mr. A. Barker be a committee to communicate with the churches, with reference to insurance on church properties.

(4). That in view of the increasing desecration of the Lord's day, this Union recommends the members of our churches to do their utmost to promote a regard for its sanctity, and use their influence against anything tending to lessen reverence for the Divine commands in regard to the holiness of the day.

(5). That the Union heartily recommends the new English Congregational Hymn Book to our churches, in case any of them intend making a change.

These resolutions were all adopted by the Union, without discussion.

The Rev. J. Whitman being present, the Chairman directed that his name be added to the Sessional Roll.

The Rev. Mr. Daniels, supplying the church in St. John during the pastor's absence, was also present, and was voted to sit as an honorary member.

The Committee appointed to prepare a resolution on the Congregational College of B. N. A., submitted the following :

That this Union being favored with the presence of the Rev. Dr. Barbour, the Principal of the College, most heartily bids him welcome, and God-speed in the work which he has undertaken.

Also, That most profound gratitude is due, and is hereby given, to the Great Head of the Church, for calling Dr. Barbonr to such a responsible position.

Further, That in view of the call for more laborers, the Union most earnestly recommends that in all our churches unceasing prayer be offered, as directed by the Master himself, saying, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few ; pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest." And that, while thus praying, they should remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Signed, J. Barker, J. W. Jewett, W. Peacock, } Committee.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

On the recommendation of the Business Committee, the Rev. W. McIntosh was appointed the preacher of the annual sermon next year, and Rev. S. Sykes, alternate.

The order of the day was then taken up, viz., Reports of delegates to and from corresponding bodies. The Rev. Messrs. Shipperley and McIntosh gave interesting reports, as having attended the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec.

The Rev. Dr. Barbour being introduced as one of the delegates from the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, conveyed the hearty congratulations of that body, and also an assurance of deep sympathy in the recent dark clouds of trial

that have overhung the churches of this Union, as well as in all their work and endeavor in the common cause of Christ. In a masterly and succinct address, he outlined the features and government of the Church of Christ in apostolic times, as set forth in the Acts of the Apostles, and the letters to the earlier churches; showing clearly that they held themselves responsible to no individual or governing body outside themselves; but acknowledged Christ only as their Head; and that the Congregational churches in these respects have the privilege and honor of following in the footsteps of the primitive church. He dilated upon the glory of such a heritage as is possessed by our body, and took occasion to urge that the depressed circumstances in which some of the churches find themselves in Nova Scotia, should be accepted by the brethren as a part of suffering in sympathy with the Saviour of the world; and that they should exercise patience and trust in God.

A hearty vote of thanks was given to Dr. Barbour for his able and eloquent address. He briefly responded, and stated that he hoped to return on some future occasion and visit the churches.

The Rev. W. S. H. Fielden then addressed the Union, as a delegate from the Congregational Union of England and Wales. He conveyed the congratulations of that august body, and spoke at length upon Congregationalism in the Colonies; the jubilee funds recently raised in Australia and the mother country, and other matters of great interest; concluding by an earnest appeal to the Union to esteem it a high honor to have a hand in winning this vast Dominion for the Master.

At the close of this session the Union accepted an invitation to a feast of fat things provided by the good ladies of Tabernacle church. The invitation included the ministers of other denominations in the town. Those of them who were able accepted; and all present had a most enjoyable time, a blessing being first invoked by Dr. Day (Baptist). After the feast, the Rev. Mr. McIntosh called to order, and introduced the following speakers: Rev. Mr. Hall, Rev. Dr. Watson, Rev. Mr. Rogers (Pres.), Rev. Mr. Fielden and Dr. Barbour.

On resuming business at half-past two, further reports were given from the missionary churches. Milton was reported as desirous to obtain a pastor, the Rev. H. Goddard having resigned. The sum of $500 had been guaranteed by the people toward the support of a pastor.

From the church at Chebogue no additions were reported; but services held regularly and interest good; young people doing useful work in meetings and Sunday School, at which there is an attendance of 59 scholars and 9 teachers. Work helpful and church in working order. Rev. W. H. Watson, the pastor, paid glowing tribute to the work of the women of this church. It was resolved that this church be helped to the Society's abilities.

The Business Committee then submitted the following resolution, which was most cordially adopted:

"That this Union desires to express its profound gratitude and indebtedness to the Colonial Missionary Society for the practical sympathy afforded to the Canadian Missionary Society in former years; and sincerely hopes that the visit of their highly-esteemed and much-beloved secretary, the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, whom we have learned to love for his work's sake, may be fraught with incalculable good to our churches. We desire also to convey our heartiest and best thanks to Mr. Fielden, for the kind and inspiring words he has addressed to us; also for presenting our needs so eloquently to the attention of the American Home Missionary Society, with the hope of securing both men and means for these Lower Provinces."

A resolution from the Ladies' H. M. Society was presented, asking that next year the Union grant one whole day to their Society for their work.

A paper by Mrs. J. B. Saer on "The World's Conference in London," was read by the assistant Minute Secretary, Mr. Read. A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs. Saer for her able paper.

The Business Committee recommended that the request of the Ladies' Missionary Society be complied with, and that the members of the Union will be pleased to attend the sessions of the Ladies' Missionary Society, or as much thereof as their business will permit. Recommendation adopted.

The Membership Committee recommended that the Rev. F. T. McLeod be expelled from this Union. A resolution that he be expelled was then moved, seconded and unanimously carried.

The Finance Committee reported having received the sum of $97 towards travelling expenses; expenditure, $110.

The Revs. W. McIntosh, J. G. Sanderson and S. Sykes, with Mr. George Hague, were appointed as representatives of this Union on the Executive Committee of the C. C. Missionary Society.

A resolution of condolence with Mrs. W. Anderson, widow of the late W. Anderson, of Liverpool, was unanimously passed, and the Secretary instructed to forward a copy of the same to Mrs. Anderson.

The appointment of the Rev. J. B. Saer by the Committee for Interim Business, as a delegate to the World's Missionary Conference in London, was confirmed. Delegates were appointed to the Maine Conference, as well as to the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, and of England and Wales.

Rev. W. H. Watson, M.D., was appointed to correspond with the Congregational House, Boston, touching publications of manuals of Congregationalism.

Mr. Woodrow reported that investigation was being made relative to a church property at Falmouth, and in the event of a good title being secured, asked the Union to appoint trustees to take over the property. The following were appointed for this purpose: Revs. J. W. Cox and Thomas Hall, and Mr. James Woodrow. Rev. W. McIntosh was deputed to fill Mr. Hall's place in N. S. and N. B. during the latter's absence.

The session was then adjourned, the Rev. Mr. Fielden pronouncing the benediction.

The closing meeting was held in the evening.

The meeting opened by singing the hymn, "In the cross of Christ I glory." Addresses were delivered by the Revs. A. McGregor, W. H. Daniels and Dr. Barbour, the latter speaking in the interests of the college.

Mr. Woodrow read a resolution from the Ladies' Home Missionary Society, conveying a vote of thanks to Mrs. Capron, for her kindness in responding to the invitation to attend this session, and for the addresses she has made and counsel given.

Rev. H. Goddard moved a vote of thanks to the steamboat and railroad companies, for their generous reduction of fares to ministers, delegates and visitors attending the Union, and to the kind friends in Yarmouth for their abounding hospitality. The resolution was seconded by Mr. A. Barker, supported by the Rev. Mr. Fielden, and most heartily carried. The Rev. Mr. McIntosh responded, saying that the friends would have had no difficulty in providing for four times as many as came.

The minutes were then adopted as if read, and after singing the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," the Union adjourned to meet in Milton or one of the churches of Queen's County, the first Saturday in July, 1889.

J. BARKER,
Secretary.

SYNOPSIS OF STATISTICAL SECRETARY'S REPORT, NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

This year, facts and figures present themselves so stubbornly, that it is extremely difficult to bend them into an encouraging aspect. Still, we see nothing in them which should depress or discourage the faithful laborers in their Lord's vineyard, so far as our churches are connected with it. The churches are in positions, and in a general state of organization, which prepares them as far as these qualifications can prepare, for doing more in the future than in the past. We look for brighter days, and think we see them in our ecclesiastical horizon. Returns of statistics have been forwarded from nearly all the churches with greater promptness than in former years. Items given, however, do not, by their completeness, warrant us in saying that the general statement will be anything more than approximate. Last year there was no change to be reported as to the *personnel* of the Union. Now we have to state that two ministers have been laid aside by illness, one has removed from his pastorate and is supplying another church, one change of pastoral charge, and one minister has left the Dominion. No new pastor has entered the field during the year. We are thus weaker, as to the number of ministers in actual work, by three. Three churches are temporarily supplied by students from our college. All of the churches except two, are either under pastoral oversight, or for the present, supplied. Six of the now active pastors and supplies are from the Canada Congregational College; one from Regent's Park College, London; three are from Bangor, and the others received private instruction. These 12 preach at 50 churches and preaching stations, to 1995 hearers. They reckon 2100 persons under their pastoral care. The additions to church membership are 21 by profession, and 6 by letter; while the removals by death are 16, and 11 by letter. Our greatest losses are by migration; this is shown by the dropping from our roll of membership of 51 persons. This number represents the actual loss in numbers sustained by the churches; as the other gains and losses are equal. We have remaining on our roll of membership 461 males and 738 females, *i. e.*, 1199 in all. The number of Sabbath Schools equals that of the churches, viz., 20, under the superintendence and instruction of 133 officers and teachers, who would have in their classes, if all were present, 993 scholars. The average attendance, however, is but 798. The number of baptisms reported this year, is 9 adults and 27 infants; or 36 in all.

With respect to church property, few if any changes have to be

noted. There are still 20 church edifices, equal to the number of churches. One is being constructed at Ohio, henceforth to be known by another name, Hemford, in N. S. Pleasant River counts, in addition to its own building, a place of worship at Baker's Settlement. The number of sittings in all of these churches is said to be 5000; so when we compare the number of sittings with the number of attendants, we can say, "yet there is room."

Seventeen of these edifices are said to be properly registered, and eleven are insured in case of fire. This statement is more in accordance with the Union's recommendation than any report previously given; although not yet satisfactory. The value of these buildings is given as being $63,900; while that of the twelve parsonages is $17,950; giving thus a total value of church property to the amount of $81,850. There are debts on this property to the extent of $6,870, averaging over $5 per member The amount raised for local church objects is $9,358, or nearly $8 per member on an average; while $520 for Home Missions, $131 for Foreign Missions, $222 for general Benevolent purposes, and $10,367 for all purposes, are reported from the churches. This shows an encouraging increase in contributions, notwithstanding the decrease in membership, of $1,853 over the amounts reported last year—showing about $9 per member. The amount of missionary grant in aid of the churches, as gathered from the returns, is about $1,000. This would vary to some extent from the correct statement given by the C. C. M. S. The number of pastors receiving aid is seven. This is a less number than usual, not because of less need, but perhaps from lack of funds.

J. SHIPPERLEY,
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REV. S. N. JACKSON, M.D., - - - - - Kingston, Ont.

Honorary Secretary:

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REV. F. H. MARLING, *Quebec Ass'n.*
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MR. JAS. JARVIS.
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MR. F. SCHOLES.

Auditors:

WM. NEISH, ESQ., and GEORGE MILLS, ESQ., Kingston.

*** The Executive Committee includes all the Officers, as above; and the General Committee includes the Executive Committee.

NOTICE.

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

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

FORM FOR A BEQUEST.

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

NOTE.—*Such bequest must be made at least six months before the testator's decease, or it will be invalid according to law.*

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ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Corporation shall be called "THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY," and shall conduct its operations within the limits of the Dominion of Canada.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECTS.

The objects of the Society shall be as set forth in the Act of Incorporation, namely, to plant and to foster Congregational Churches in suitable localities; to aid churches in sustaining their pastors where required.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

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

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

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

ARTICLE V.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

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

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

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

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

The Auditors shall examine the accounts of the Society when required, and make an annual audit of the Treasurer's books previous to the annual meeting of the Society.

The General Committee shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Society, have charge of the annual mission grants made to the churches, examine, employ and direct all the missionaries of the Society, and have a general supervision of its affairs. They shall present a report of the work of the Society at each of its annual meetings.

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

ARTICLE VI.—MEETINGS.

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

ARTICLE VII.—CHURCH EXTENSION AND BUILDING FUND.

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

ARTICLE VIII.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

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

ARTICLE IX.—MISSIONARIES.

Each missionary in the employment of this Society must be a regularly accredited member of a Congregational church, and shall endeavor faithfully

to promote all the interests of the Congregational denomination in Canada. He shall send to the Secretary a half-yearly statement of his work on or before the first days of December and May in each year, and furnish such statistical returns as may be called for.

ARTICLE X.—MISSIONS.

Each church requiring a missionary grant by the General Committee must make application therefor through the Secretary at least one month previous to the annual meeting of the Society, according to the printed forms provided, in which a certificate to the effect that all previous pledges of support to its pastor have been fulfilled shall be inserted. Churches aided by this Society are required to make an annual collection for its funds, and to keep their property sufficiently insured; and all such churches acquiring property shall have inserted in the Trust Deed a clause providing that in case the church shall at any time be disbanded or cease to exist, the property shall revert to the Society.

ARTICLE XI.—RECEIVING AND DISMISSING PASTORS.

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

ARTICLE XII.—CONVEYING PROPERTY.

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

ARTICLE XIII.—AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION.

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

ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-fifth annual meeting of the Corporation of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society was held in Emmanuel Congregational Church, Montreal, June 8, 1888, at 2.30 p.m.

The President, the Rev. Dr. Cornish, was in the chair, and the Rev. A. L. McFadyen was appointed Minute Secretary.

Prayer having been offered by Rev. E. C. W. MacColl,

The Secretary, Rev. John Wood, read the Annual Report of the Society, and the Rev. Dr. Jackson, Treasurer, presented the Financial Statement.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was

Resolved,—That the Report now read, together with the Treasurer's Statement be adopted and printed, and that the following be the Officers and Committee for the year 1888-89:

President—Rev. Dr. Cornish.

Treasurer—Rev. Dr. Jackson.

Secretary—Rev. John Wood.

Honorary Secretary—Rev. Joseph Unsworth.

Superintendent—Rev. Thos. Hall.

Executive Committee—The Officers as above, together with the Revs. J. Morton, J. Burton, D. Macallum, F. H. Marling, W. McIntosh, J. G. Sanderson, and George Hague, Esq.

General Committee—The Executive as above, together with the Revs. G. Fuller, D. McGregor, Dr. Wild, A. F. McGregor, Geo. Robertson, E. M. Hill, J. I. Hindley, Dr. Barnes, and Messrs. C. Whitlaw, J. Goldie, A. Alexander, B. W. Robertson, Jas. Jarvis, T. Webb, W. McCartney, W. J. Stibbs, J. R. Dougall, F. Scholes.

The Superintendent, the Rev. Thos. Hall, then presented his Annual Report. This was also, on motion, adopted, and ordered to be printed.

The Rev. John Burton moved, seconded by J. C. Field, Esq., that, "Recognizing the needs of the Great North-West, and the evils of unnecessarily dividing the general interests of the Christian Church, resolved moreover, with God's blessing, to bear its share of evangelistic work in that part of our Home field, this Society expresses the earnest hope that some practical arrangements may be made between the evangelical denominations, by which the unhealthy rivalries of the older lands may not curse the new country

"While in such centres as Winnipeg is, and Brandon promises to be, each denomination, under existing circumstances, must enter and do its own special work, this Society deprecates the establishment of a number of mission churches in the more thinly settled districts, where each Society struggles to maintain a sickly existence, and true to its Congregational principles of unsectarian Christianity, ready to co-operate in all Gospel endeavors, instructs its Executive Committee to correspond with the proper Society, or committee of other evangelical bodies, with a view to make arrangements that will obviate the unnecessary divisions deprecated, and manifest the substantial unity of our evangelical faith."

Rev. Dr. Jackson moved an amendment, 'that the above motion be referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and to take action therein."

The amended motion was carried.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was *Resolved*, "That this meeting extends a most cordial welcome to the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society; and we desire through him to convey our hearty thanks to the Society for their generous support in the past,"

On motion of Rev. John Wood, it was

Resolved,—1. That the thanks of the Society be presented to Messrs. Neish and Mills, for their services in auditing the accounts.

2. Also, to the ladies of the American Presbyterian Church, for boxes of clothing, etc., sent to the Indian and other missionaries.

On motion of Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, it was

Resolved,—That a vote of thanks be presented to the Officers of this Society for their efficient services.

The Corporation then adjourned, to meet at the call of the President.

A. L. McFadyen,
Minute Secretary.

ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING.

The Annual Public Missionary meeting was held in the evening, at 8 o'clock, Rev. Dr. Cornish in the chair. After devo-

tional services a brief statement of the Society's work for the year was given by Rev. John Wood, Secretary, and addresses were delivered by Revs. Thos. Hall, W. S. H. Fielden, and Mrs. Wheeler, of Harpoot, who spoke on behalf of the Woman's Board. A collection was taken up for the funds of the Society, and the service closed with the Doxology and benediction.

JOHN WOOD,
Secretary.

THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

With the completion of another year's labors and responsibilities, your Committee herewith present a general statement of the work done, and of the receipts and expenditure, since last Annual Meeting, leaving the details to be subsequently filled in, as on previous occasions, from the reports furnished by the missionaries themselves.

It affords the Committee great pleasure, as they are sure it will to all, to have with us at our present meeting, the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, the genial Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society, in London, to which we have been so long and so deeply indebted for assistance, in carrying on our Home Missionary work in Canada. The many months of earnest labor spent by our Superintendent, Mr. Hall, in Britain last year, and now the return visit of Mr. Fielden to the Dominion, cannot fail to do great good, by spreading information in regard to the extent and demands of the Canadian field, and awakening in the minds of British Christians, of our own faith and order, a deeper sense of obligation in regard to it. The reasons which impelled the originators of the Colonial Missionary Society to establish it half a century ago, still exist more largely, probably, in Canada than in the Australian Colonies, the emigration to this country being drawn, to a very much less extent, from the ranks of our British churches than to the other Colonies, which have not unfrequently attracted to themselves the very flower of English Congregationalism. In Canada, on the other hand, a very large percentage of our people would be found, on investigation, to be of other religious origins, and to have been brought into connection with our churches through benefit received from the labors of our missionaries and evangelists; and being for the most part, of the

humbler classes, have possessed neither the means, nor the opportunity of promoting our missionary work here, as in the Colonies referred to. Our success, notwithstanding, has been much greater than even we ourselves have always recognized. It is now twenty-three years since we were honored by the coming of a delegation, specially appointed by the Colonial Missionary Society, to visit the Canadian churches, and it may be of interest therefore to both the Society whom Mr. Fielden comes to represent, as well as to the churches in this land, to look back over the years of the past, and the work in which we have been co-operating, and note the progress made towards self-support. A hasty glance over the list of churches that have been aided by this Society since 1854, presents the following names of those which since that period struggled into financial independence : London, Frome, Paris, Guelph, Hamilton, Speedside, Scotland, Burford, Toronto Western, Cobourg, Coldsprings, Unionville, Pine Grove, Bowmanville, Stouffville, Martintown, Indian Lands, Ottawa, Lanark, Melbourne, Cowansville, Stanstead, Granby, Danville, Rugby, Vespra, Embro, Douglas, Garafraxa, Forest, Warwick, Warwick (Ebenezer), Watford, Howick, Turnberry ; also Yarmouth, Liverpool, Brooklyn, and Beach Meadows, in N. S., and Sheffield, N. B.; Winnipeg, Man. ; 42 ; besides which the following have been self-sustaining from the time of their organization : Yorkville, Don Mount, Northern (Toronto), Kingston (Bethel), Emmanuel and Calvary (Montreal), 6. The list affords gratifying evidence of progress, and we trust and believe that the example set will soon be followed by many others.

The completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the rapid opening up of Manitoba, and the North-West to settlement, have impressed the Committee with the urgent need of immediate and energetic action, if we would not altogether miss the opportunity at present offered us, of planting our standard and doing our part in the evangelization of that country. The Committee in London being in hearty sympathy with ourselves in the matter, and having promised us, through our Superintendent, generous assistance in this extension of our work, steps were taken, even before the final adjournment of our Executive, in June last, to secure the services of suitable men for Victoria and Vancouver, B. C., also for one or more of the rising towns of the Prairie Province. The Rev. Hugh Pedley, B.D., of Cobourg, was asked to go to British Columbia, the location to be determined after he should have visited the Pacific Coast, and reported to us his impressions regarding the places to be first occupied. On his

return, he urged on your Committee the immediate occupation of Vancouver, the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway, a rapidly growing town of 6,000 or 7,000 inhabitants; and the Committee accordingly asked him to undertake the organization of a mission there. It was also proposed to him that he should, before going out, visit as many of the Canadian churches as possible, with a view to awakening interest in the work on the Pacific Coast, and secure help towards the erection of a church; while thus engaged, a unanimous and pressing call came to him to accept charge of the church in Winnipeg, then shortly to become vacant by the removal of the Rev. J. B. Silcox to San Diego, California. Holding himself bound, however, to Vancouver, where the friends were eagerly looking for his coming, Mr. Pedley, although feeling deeply the importance of avoiding any *interregnum* in Winnipeg, would do nothing without the full concurrence of the Executive; which, on the matter being laid before them at once gave consent to his going to Winnipeg, if he felt it his duty to accept the call. This Mr. Pedley has done; and with the happiest results. The Rev. James W. Pedley, of Georgetown, Ont., was then asked to undertake the mission in Vancouver, which he signified his willingness to do, and toward the latter end of March, after some delay on his journey, by snow-blockade, he began his work in that place, in good heart, and apparently with excellent prospects. A suitable site has been obtained, in a desirable locality, on which to erect a house of worship: a part of the land being the gift of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company; meanwhile, Mr. Pedley is preaching in a hall that has been rented for the purpose, and is gathering a good congregation around him.

Acting further on Mr. Hugh Pedley's report, as well as on the advice of others who have visited Manitoba and the North-West, the Executive Committee also asked the Rev. A. W. Gerrie to undertake a similar mission in Brandon; which after careful consideration of the matter he agreed to do. Early in October, Mr. Gerrie relinquished his charge in Pine Grove, Ont., and left for his new sphere of labor, being commended to the grace of God in a special designation service by his brethren of the Central Association. Shortly after reaching his new field, however, he visited Portage la Prairie, where he found a better opening, as he was led to believe, than in Brandon; and with the consent of the Executive, he resolved on beginning there. The full and very encouraging accounts received from him seem to warrant the decision arrived at. These, as well as those received from

Rev. John McKinnon, regarding the work at Pilot Mound and Wood Bay, will be found in their appropriate place, among the reports of the missionaries, in the appendix. The outlay in connection with the removal of these brethren to the far West has necessarily been large, and our Manitoba fund, long unused, is now nearly exhausted, but the results achieved seem fully to justify our cautious procedure.

The number of missionaries employed during the year now closing has been 34; most of them during the whole period; in addition to which, 13 of the students of the college in Montreal, were commissioned for the vacation, thus making a total of 47 missionaries, whose aggregate labors amounted to 36½ years. This shows an increase of 7 missionaries, and of 6½ years' work, as compared with 1886-7.

CHANGES.

The following are the changes in the *personnel* of our missionary staff during the year: The Rev. W. Burgess has resigned his charge in Listowel and settled in Michigan. Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith has left Stratford, and accepted the pastorate of a Presbyterian congregation in Lancaster, Ont. St. Thomas, which became vacant a year ago, has been supplied in part by student labor and more recently by the Rev. W. F. Clarke. Woodstock has received temporary assistance, in view of the great effort put forth in the erection of their beautiful house of worship. The Rev. Dr. Ward has been installed in the pastoral charge of the Wingham church. New Durham and Manilla, Ont., have received new pastors in the persons of the Rev. James Webb, and Rev. T. W. Bowen, respectively, recently arrived from England. The Rev. James White, also from England, supplied for a time Vankleek Hill and Hawkesbury; but although invited to settle there, preferred moving West. The Rev. Joseph Dixon has been settled at Franklin Centre, Que. Assistance has again been granted to the church at pleasant River, N. S., under the care of the Rev. W. Peacock. Economy, N. S., has been left vacant by the removal of Mr. McLeod. Margaree and Baddeck, N. S., have also become vacant through the removal of Rev. J. Shipperley to Maitland. To these must be added the new arrangements for Portage la Prairie, Man., and Vancouver, B. C.

FINANCES.

The increase in our missionary staff, and the extension of our work in Manitoba and British Columbia, has so far been

unattended by any corresponding growth of income. We have not been able to meet the challenge generously thrown out to us at our last Union meeting, by a gentleman in Toronto, to double our contributions for the coming year, and cannot therefore avail ourselves of his liberal offer. The result is that we again close the year with the treasury overdrawn to the extent of $309.95. A special grant of £50 stg. per quarter has been made by the Colonial Missionary Society on account of the work in Vancouver, for the coming year. We have also to acknowledge the receipt of two cheques for $500 each, sent anonymously, for which our warmest thanks are due. The total receipts for the year, from all sources, as shown by the Treasurer's Statement, have been $10,668.34. Details of the contributions from the churches in the several districts, will be found in the appendix.

The following is a comparative statement of receipts and expenditure for the past two years :

RECEIPTS.

District	1888.	1887.
Manitoba	$40 00	$
Ontario, Western	885 86	809 72
Ontario, Central	693 93	649 39
Ontario, Eastern	575 14	845 79
Quebec	1,147 91	930 50
N. S. and N. Brunswick	659 42	967 47
	$4,002 26	$4,202 87

The decreases, it will be seen, exceed the increases by $200.61,—although this is more apparent than real, the contributions of several churches in the Ontario Eastern District having reached the Treasurer just too late to be included in the accounts of the current year.

EXPENDITURE.

District.	1888.	1887.
British Columbia	$1,227 60	$
Manitoba	1,089 25	
Ontario, Western	2,151 95	1 860 75
Ontario, Central	1,260 90	845 00
Ontario, Eastern	619 33	824 88
Quebec	375 00	359 30
N. S. and N. Brunswick	1,040 83	990 25
	$7,764 86	$4,880 18

The condition of the various Trust Funds will be exhibited in the Treasurer's Statement.

Application was made early in the year by the Western church, of Toronto, for a loan of $100 towards meeting the cost of their new building, but as it was found difficult to arrange proper security, a further loan of a large amount having to be obtained from another source, it was decided to invest the money and pay them the interest instead. The vote of the corporation will be necessary for the continuance of this arrangement from year to year.

On the review of the work done, and the limited means at our disposal, your Committee feel that we have again reason to thank God and take courage. Respectfully submitted.

JOHN WOOD,
Secretary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

In submitting this Sixth Annual Report, your Superintendent desires to record with devout thankfulness, his sense of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, for the measure of ability, continued throughout another year, by which he has been able to take the oversight of the important work of your Society; and as opportunity afforded, interested the larger churches in the missionary enterprise, throughout our land.

With continued commercial depression, and an unusually unproductive season, in many of the farming districts, fears were entertained that the mission churches would find it more difficult to meet their obligations, than they had done in past years. These fears have been groundless, and many are making sure progress, in the direction of self-support.

There are few if any, of the mission churches, that are not anxious to relieve the Society of their share of missionary aid; in order that the Society may be able to enter upon new and more needy fields. There may be a few cases, in which the long continued custom of receiving grants in aid, has resulted in the belief, that the Society may be depended upon, in all future times, to assist in the support of their pastors. These cases are few, and should be speedily undeceived. I have instituted in most missions, a searching investigation, into the financial ability of the congregations; and I would strongly recommend, that every one of our missions be urged to assume self-support as soon as possible.

I met the brethern of the Maritime Provinces, at the Union meetings in St. John, N.B.; and, with the deputation from this Union, held a Missionary Conference. The churches in those parts are still discouraged by numerous removals, to the United States and the Western parts of our own country. Some of the older churches have suffered most from this cause.

A deputation from the College being on the ground, to visit the various churches, throughout Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, in the interest of that institution, it was agreed to, by the brethren assembled, that my annual visit might be deferred. I think it is of the greatest importance, that a thorough and careful visitation of all our mission churches, in these parts, be made without delay.

My time has been occupied chiefly in visiting the missions in Ontario and Quebec, conferring with the churches on various matters relating to pastoral settlements, finances, and their spiritual condition. In one case, by the direction of the Executive, I gave an entire month's work to a mission church. I found the few members much discouraged and talking of disbanding. They needed encouragement and organizing; they have now a settled pastor, and in the midst of a rapidly increasing population, are full of hope for the future. I devoted more or less time at several points, to evangelistic work; enough to confirm me in the belief, that such work is most important, and would be a great blessing to our churches at present.

There have been several vacant churches during the year, and I have done all in my power to supply them, We are indebted to several lay brethren, (so called), as well as to several of our settled pastors, who willingly gave their services to supply the need of others.

I have had an extensive correspondence with all parts of the country, and with a large number of ministers in the old land, who are anxious to find spheres of usefulness in Canada. Four brethren, highly recommended by some of our well-known ministers in England, have come to us during the year. Three of these have been settled, by Council, one in a self-supporting, and two in mission churches; and appear to give the utmost satisfaction to their respective churches, and to be well pleased with their adopted country. I am well aware of the risks and difficulties, attendant upon opening the way to those unaccustomed to our country and methods of work; yet in the nature of things, unless we recruit the ranks of our ministry somewhat from

abroad, many of our churches must be left pastorless. I am at present in correspondence with a number of reliable and thoroughly good men, in England; who would be likely to suit in any part of our mission field or in our self-supporting churches, till we are able to supply all our churches from the college. I think we would do well to receive with gladness, the help we may be able to obtain from the Mother County, or from across the line. The work of your Society calls for peculiar talents, and qualifications: Love for souls, patience, helpfulness, faith, and a large measure of grace, to enable the labourer to endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

I have observed during the past, as in every former year of my work among the churches, that, humanly speaking, success depends mainly upon the men themselves. Short pastorates, hasty and unsuitable settlements, and discontent, have always wrought mischief; while the men who have worked and waited, and prayed, have generally succeeded.

The past year has not witnessed so many revivals as a year or two ago; yet in some instances, there have been both sowing and reaping; and I think all over the mission field, there has been spiritual progress. Most of the missionaries labour in the midst of scattered populations, and to two or three, or four and five different congregations; in such circumstances, it is difficult to concentrate effort. The assistance of a faithful and judicious evangelist would be of great service in many of our mission stations at present.

The missionary year now closing has been a most trying one in many respects; yet I am thankful to be in a position to report growth; growth in the number of our churches, growth in members, and increase in financial resources, both in East and West.

Beyond the provinces to which my labours have been confined, we look anxiously to that greater Canada, lying West, and North-West; where we thankfully record the establishment of two new churches during the past year, and we long to go in and possess the land for Christ. We wait and pray, for means and men, that we may perform our share of pioneer work, among the new comers, and first settlers, of that most promising part of our vast Dominion. Multitudes of our people are going from the East, and are being joined by many Congregationalists from the old country, in British Columbia and Manitoba. Could we not, in that new land, erect during the coming year a "Memorial Church," to the memory of the man who has done so much for

Congregationalism in Canada, the late Rev. Henry Wilkes, D.D.? Some of our earnest workers have been asking for a special object to work for. I would strongly recommend that in Brandon, Portage la Prairie, or some other good centre in Manitoba, we erect a "Wilkes Memorial Church."

In bringing this report to a close, I desire to record my gratitude for the uniform kindnesss, and hearty co-operation, I have met with in every place I have visited during the year; and during all the years in which I have held my responsible and laborious office. I can truly say, I love the work; I am not weary of it, but I have often been weary in it; and I have longed and do long, for the rest and quiet of home, and pastoral life. Through the goodness of God, I have been permitted to continue my work without serious interruption. during the year; and have travelled about 10,140 miles, and have given over 218 addresses and sermons, chiefly of a missionary character.

All of which is respectfuly submitted.

THOS. HALL,
Superintendent.

Montreal, June 7th, 1888.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Alexander, Charles, Montreal.
Alexander, Henry M., Montreal,
Allworth, Rev. W. H.
Allworth, Mrs. W. H.
Anderson, Mrs. A., Georgetown, Ont.
Anderson, George, Georgetown,
Anderson, W., Georgetown,
Armstrong, George, Fergus, Ont.
Armstrong, Francis, Fergus, Ont.
Ball, Miss, Lennoxville, Que.
Baylis, James, Montreal,
Baylis, Mrs. James, Montreal,
Baylis, Mary, Montreal,
Baylis, Rosa E., Montreal,
Baylis, James Adams, Montreal.
Barber, Isabella, Georgetown,
Barber, Miss H. F., Georgetown,
Barber, I. M., B.A., Georgetown,
Barber, Frederick, Georgetown,
Barber, Miss, Georgetown,
Barber, Miss Jessie, Georgetown,
Barber, Nellie, Georgetown,
Barber, W. M., Georgetown,
Barton, Mrs. J. C., Montreal,
Bogart, D. D., Belleville, Ont.
Boyd, James, Vankleek Hill,
Bray, Rev. A. J., England,
Brown, Annie C., Montreal,
Burton, P. H., Toronto,
Burton, Mrs. P. H., Toronto,
Burton, Alfred, Toronto,
Burton, Edgar S., Toronto,
Butters, Daniel, Chicago, U. S.
Chapman, Rev. Chas., Plymouth, Eng.
Clark, J. P., London, Eng.
Clarke, Rev. W. F., Guelph, Ont.
Clements, Mrs. N. K., Yarmouth, N.S.
Clements, Mrs. E. F., Yarmouth, N.S.
Cooper, James, Toronto, Ont.
Craig, Miss Jane, Kingston,
Cushing, Charles, Montreal,
Day, Rev. B. W., Lanark, Ont.
Dempster, Mrs. George, Chelsea, Que.
Dennis, Freeman, Yarmouth, N. S.
Dennis, Mrs. F., Yarmouth, N. S.
Dunn, Mrs. Robert, Montreal,
Diploch, Miss, Kingston,
Dunn, Robert. Montreal,
Dunn, John M., Montreal,
Ebbs, Mrs. Edward, Toronto,

Fenwick, Rev. K. M., Montreal,
Fenwick, G. S., Kingston, Ont.
Fenwick, Arthur M., Kingston, Ont.
Fisher, Mrs., Montreal,
Folger, Miss Marion, Kingston, Ont.
Foulds, John, New York,
Gibson, Mrs. J. M., London, Eng.
Gibson, Henry Wilkes, London, Eng.
Goodwillie, Mrs. G., Georgetown,
Hague, George, Montreal,
Hall, Rev. Thos., Kingston,
Hamilton, Mrs. Norman, Paris, Ont.
Hammond, Mrs., Kingston, Ont.
Hannan, M., Montreal,
Heath, John, Montreal,
Hendry, Mrs. Thos., Riverside, Cal.
Hendry, K. N., Riverside, Cal.
Hibbard, W. R., Montreal,
Hurst, Mrs. John C.
Hutchins, Benjamin, Kansas City,
Ireland, William, San Francisco,
Jackson, H. N., Cote St. Paul, Que.
Jackson, Rev. S. N., M.D., Kingston,
Jackson, Mrs. S. N., Kingston,
Jackson, Prof. J. H., M A , M.D., Vt.
Jackson, Dr. J. A , Manchester, N.H.
Jackson, John Holmes, Kingston,
Jackson, Horatio Nelson, Kingston,
Jackson, William Parkyn, Kingston,
Jackson, Samuel Hollister, Kingston,
Jackson, Joseph Addison, Kingston,
Jamieson, R. C., Montreal,
Jamieson, Mrs. R. C., Montreal,
James, Mrs S. E.
Jarvis, J., Ottawa,
Jarvis, Mrs. S. J., Ottawa,
Knight, Miss J., Boston, Mass.
Laing, Henry H., Hamilton,
Laing, Mrs. H. H., Hamilton,
Lamb, W. A. Ottawa,
Leggo, Louisa, Salterville, Man.
Lewis, David, Toronto,
Linton, James, Montreal,
Linton, Mrs. James, Montreal,
Linton, Miss Mary, Montreal,
Lyman, Henry, Montreal,
Lyman, Mrs. Henry, Montreal,
Lyman, Theodore P., Montreal,
Lyman, Theodore, Montreal,
Lyman, Henry L., Montreal,
Mayer, J. C., Toronto,
Macdougall, William, Montreal,
McDunnough, William, Montreal,
McEwen, John, Kingston,
McGregor, Rev. Alex., Pawtucket, R.I.
McGregor, Mrs. Alex., Pawtucket, R.I.
McGregor, Eben, Pawtucket, R.I.
McLachlan, Mrs. Wm., Montreal,
McLachlan, William, Montreal,
McLachlan, W. B., Montreal,
McLachlan, Winifred, Montreal,
Marling, Rev. F. H., Montreal,
Miner, S. C. H., Granby,
Moffat, Miss Elizabeth, Kingston,
Moss, Geo. W., Montreal,
Nelson, Mrs. W C., Portland, Me.
Nivin, William, Montreal,
O'Hara, H., Toronto,
Parkyn, Mrs. William, Kingston,
Perry, William Albert, Yarmouth, N.S
Porteous, John, Montreal,
Porteous, Mrs. John, Montreal,
Porteous, George, Montreal,
Porteous, Mrs. George, Montreal,
Porteous, Miss M. F , Montreal,
Porteous, W. M., Montreal,
Porteous, Mrs. W. M , Montreal,
Porteous, John, Detroit, Mich.
Potter, Mrs. E. H , New York,
Reikie, Rev. T. M., Wiarton, Ont.
Ross, W. R., Montreal.
Ross, Mrs. W. R., Montreal,
Robertson, Robert, Lanark,
Robertson, Mrs. George, Kingston,
Robertson, Miss Annie, Kingston,
Robertson, William, Kingston,
Robertson, George, Kingston,
Robertson, B. W., Kingston,
Robertson, William, Lanark, Ont.
Robertson, Mrs. Wm , Lanark,
Robertson, Wm. A., Kingston,
Robertson, Thomas, Compton, Que.
Robertson, Mrs. Thos., Compton, Que.
Saer, Rev. J. B., B D , St. John, N.B.
Saer, Mrs. J. B., St. John, N.B.
Savage, Alfred, Montreal,
Savage, Harry, Kingston,
Sanderson, Rev. J. G., Danville, Que.
Sanderson, Thomas, Toronto,
Scott, Eben., Yarmouth, N.S.
Sherman, Rev. B. B., B.D.
Smilie, W. C., Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Smilie, Mrs. W. C., Poughkeepsie, N.Y.
Spalding, Mrs. H. W., Lennoxville, Que.
Spence, David, Kingston,
Stewart, R. D , Philadelphia,
Turner, John, Toronto,
Tyler, Rev. W. H., Pittsfield, Mass.
Unsworth, Rev. J., Stouffville, Ont.
Unsworth, Mrs. J., Stouffville, Ont.
Waddingham, W., New Mexico,
Welding, W. E., Brantford,
Welding, Mrs. W. E., Brantford,
Whitlaw, Charles, Paris, Ont.
Whitlaw, Mrs. Charles, Paris, Ont.
Whitney, N. S., Montreal,

Whitney, Mary, Montreal,
Wickson, Mrs. P., Paris, Ont.
Wilkes, Mrs. Henry, Montreal,
Wilkes, T. Holmes,
Wilkes, Cybella C., Brooklyn, N.Y.
Wilkes, James, Brantford, Ont.
Wilkes, Mrs. James, Brantford,
Wilkes, Henry,
Wilkes, Cybella Charlotte,
Wilkes, Miss Annie, Brantford, Ont
Winks, Geo., Winnipeg, Man.
Wood, Rev. John, Ottawa,
Wood, Mrs. John, Ottawa,
Wood, Henry L., Ottawa,
Wood, Peter W., Montreal.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

REV. SAMUEL N. JACKSON, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY, FOR THE YEAR JUNE 1ST, 1887, TO MAY 31ST, 1888.

DR.

To balance due Treasurer, June 1st, 1887		$481 28
" cash paid Missionaries—		
British Columbia	$1,227 60	
Manitoba	1,089 25	
Ontario Western Association	2,151 95	
Ontario Central Association	1,260 90	
Ontario Eastern Association	619 33	
Quebec	375 00	
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	1,040 83	
		7,764 86
To cash paid disabled Missionary		441 89
" " " Superintendent of Missions—		
Salary	1,200 00	
Travelling expenses	235 00	
		1,435 00
To cash paid Executive Committee, expenses		152 30
" " " Loan to Students		135 00
" " " Printing Reports in Year Book		106 00
" " " Delegates to N.S. and N.B. expenses		65 65
" " " Secretary for expenses		20 00
" " " Treasurer for expenses		11 66
" " " J. Woodrow for expenses		2 82
" " " Legal expenses		8 46
" " " Printing Treasurer's Statement		4 00
" " " Interest		39 42
		$10,668 34
Balance due Treasurer, June 1st, 1888		$309 95

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By contributions from—		
Manitoba	$ 40 00	
Ontario Western Association	885 86	
Ontario Central Association	693 93	
Ontario Eastern Association	575 14	
Quebec	1,147 91	
Nova Scotia and New Brunswick	659 42	
Carried forward		$4,002 26

Brought forward ..		$4,002 26
By special for British Columbia		961 40
" " " disabled Missionary		441 89
" Colonial Missionary Society, 20 p.c.		1,156 00
" Superintendent of Missions—		
Supply at Cobourg Church	10 00	
" Zion Church, Toronto	20 00	
Evangelistic services at Ottawa	50 00	
		80 00
By Nova Scotia invested funds		338 10
" Refund of Loan by Students		50 00
" C.C. Woman's Mission Board		217 87
[Received since accounts were closed, $200]		
" Collections at Annual Meetings—		
Toronto, Ont	80 50	
St. John, N B	40 19	
		120 69
By Personal Contributions—		
"A Friend of the Cause," Almonte	15 00	
Miss Ball, Lennoxville	20 00	
"A Friend," Montreal	500 00	
"Thanksgiving Offering," Toronto	10 00	
"A Friend," Rugby	20 00	
Anonymous, Clinton	5 00	
Mrs. L. M. Field, Stanstead	2 00	
Rev. Walter Lenwood, Newcastle, Eng	24 33	
Students' Mission Box, C.C.B.N.A.	12 00	
Anonymous, Montreal	500 00	
		1,108 33
By amount drawn from Manitoba Fund		1,881 85
" balance due Treasurer, June 1st, 1888		309 95
		$10,668 34

THE GEORGE ROBERTSON MISSION FUND.

Dr.

To investments, June 1st, 1888	$6,200 00
" balance, June 1st, 1888	183 04
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By balance, June 1st, 1887	$1,554 07
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" interest	328 97
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By balance on hand	$183 04

THE MANITOBA MISSION FUND.

DR.

To cash paid for Manitoba	$1,089 25
" " " " British Columbia	792 60
" balance, June 1st, 1888	131 63
	$2,013 48

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By balance, June 1st, 1887	$2,013 48
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Balance on hand	$131 63

THE CHURCH EXTENSION AND BUILDING FUND.

DR.

To amount invested, June 1st, 1888	$1,250 00
" balance, June 1st, 1888	1,221 13
	$2,471 13

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By balance, June 1st, 1887	$ 470 63
" amount invested	1,256 00
" proceeds of sale of Whitby church property	750 50
	$2,471 13
Balance on hand	$1,221 13

THE BROCKVILLE CHURCH FUND.

DR.

To Deposit Receipt in Bank of Montreal	$3,716 83
" " " " Merchants' Bank	2,056 75
	$5,773 58

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By balance, June 1st, 1887	$5,532 46
" interest	241 12
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Kingston, May 31st, 1888.

SAMUEL N. JACKSON,
Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

Kingston, June 1st, 1888.

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REPORTS FROM THE CHURCHES.

ONTARIO, WESTERN DISTRICT.

Sarnia.—Rev. R. K. Black, pastor; grant, $400. Mr. Black reports in December:

"It is now just one year since, as the result of a previous trial of the field for three months, followed by a personal conference with the Missionary Executive at Ottawa, I accepted the call to the pastorate of this church It was not without many fears, as to what the result might be, that this step was taken. The church was small, as in respect to members; and the members, for the most part, people in humble circumstances. Besides, on the church-building, erected about six years ago, there rested a debt of $3,630, the interest on which was felt to be a heavy burden by the people.

It is with feelings of sincere gratitude to God that I have to report that this indebtedness has been largely reduced during the past year. As the result of the sale of an old church-property, $1,000 was obtained; and over $430 was collected by the pastor from sister churches, thus reducing the indebtedness to $2,200. Nor has the church, while thus providentially helped, been idle during the year. By a reference to the Treasurer's Report, recently submitted, and other memoranda, I find that the sum of about $900 has been raised by the church during the year, for local church purposes and denominational objects. A new furnace has been obtained for the church and other improvements made on the interior of the church-building. I wish that I could report as encouragingly in regard to all the other departments of church life and work. Yet here, too, we have no cause for despondency, though much need of patience. Our congregations on the Sabbath, though yet but small, are growing slowly, but steadily. A few have been added to the membership by letter, and one by profession. The attendance in our week evening prayer meeting has increased, and the Sabbath school is quite hopeful. A Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has been formed, and is doing good work in distributing religious literature in the homes of the people living on the streets south of the church. Two of our young men are studying privately, with a view to enter our College in Montreal the next term; for all of which we desire to thank God and take courage."

His report for May speaks of much to try faith and patience; in the way of business depression and consequent removal of families; but is hopeful in tone. Particular mention is made of the death of "Our venerated father McLagan," and the departure of another deacon to California to seek a new home for himself.

"This leaves but one deacon in the church and there is but very scanty material from which to choose successors in office. These depletions have somewhat depressed our spirits, and crippled our resources. But yet, despite all this, we have much cause for thankfulness. There has been a slow but perceptible increase in the attendance on the means of grace. Six members have been added to the church; and, despite the hard times (more felt by our people than by any other congregation in town, inasmuch as they are, for the most part, of the working class), the contributions for church purposes have not declined. Besides,

probably, meeting the current church expenses, about $200 have been raised during the past half year, to procure a new furnace, and otherwise improve the church edifice. Our prayer meeting and Sabbath school are in a flourishing condition, and both pastor and people are hopeful. Our chief need at present is an abundant outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and for this many are fervently interceding."

Kincardine.—Rev. C. L. Ross, pastor; grant, $150. Mr. Ross again reports heavy losses to the church by death and removal to other localities; among the former he mentions Deacon Ferguson and his wife, whose unexpected deaths have cast a great gloom over the place, and are a heavy blow to the cause here.

"They were pleasant and useful in their lives, and died in sweet peace in Christ. 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.' A number of our best workers have also removed to Manitoba and Dakota, but we hear with joy of their work of faith and love for the Master in these new fields. We have still a faithful band of willing workers left. I preach three times every Sabbath, besides teaching a large Sabbath Bible class. The services of the sanctuary are well attended, and there is a good interest. Some travel over six miles to attend preaching. Finances came out square at our annual meeting, and the church has paid $100 on the debt on the parsonage; and now we are busy preparing to repair our sanctuary."

Wingham.—The Rev. Dr. Ward, pastor; grant, $300. The pastor, who took charge only on June 1st, 1887, reports, in December, progress in every department.

"The congregations have gradually increased; that in the morning now numbers between 60 and 70, and that in the evening between 80 and 90. The church property has been much improved in appearance, and made more comfortable . . . Internally, we have had the building cleaned from top to basement; the aisles carpeted, and other additions to our comfort and convenience. We now use the Congregational Hymn Book exclusively. The ordinance of the Lord's Supper is observed monthly. The spiritual life of the church is gradually becomming stronger. Two new members have been added to our church roll. We have purchased a new organ and formed a choir, so that the singing of the church has been very much improved. We have just held our Anniversary Services, and a more successful and enjoyable time the friends have not had for years. Our week evening prayer meetings are well attended. I have visited very freely, and worked in other directions amongst the people of the town, and have always been most kindly received. I hold regular 'Cottage Meetings.'"

The report for May is equally encouraging. Six members had been added to the church, and $300 of debt paid off. But we regret to add, the failure of Mrs. Ward's health has since compelled the pastor to resign his charge, and return to England.

Wiarton.—Rev. C. E. Bolton, pastor; grant $150. The reports from this field are very encouraging:

"Wiarton (the pastor says) has grown in size and population; hence we have had a good attendance at all our services. Hepworth, where an afternoon service is held, is proving to be a good point. The village is growing and our work is consolidating. We are in need of a larger place of meeting, which I trust will be supplied to us before very long. We cannot report as many additions as

in some previous reports, and we have suffered losses by death and removals. However, we hope to report work in this way next time We have had a visit from Mr. Hall, and were specially favored by having Mr. Gerrie, from the College, for a Sabbath. We were glad to see the face of a brother Congregationalist in the pulpit; this is something quite novel with us"

His report for May says:

"Very cheering reports were given at our annual meeting in February. The past year has been one of blessing, and the blessing is still with us Our congregations are more nearly approaching our seating capacity. New members are being received, and our last quarterly missionary collection was the best.

"The population of our village is now estimated at about 2,000. The lumber and fishing industries are prosecuted with a great deal of 'push.' Other branches of trade, and furniture manufacturing are thriving. Wiarton is a busy place. Hepworth is organized as a branch of Wiarton. A committee has been appointed to provide better accommodation for our growing congregation. At the last communion eight members were received. Hepworth has passed the stage of 'the corners'; it is now a thrifty village. With Wiarton and Hepworth as centres, we have a wide field for missionary work."

French Bay, Saugeen.—Rev. Thomas Bigcanoe, pastor. Grant $150. Mr. Bolton, who exercises a general oversight over this mission, says of it:

"As I cannot attend the Union, I send you the following statement concerning the 'Indian Mission.' I visited French Bay yesterday. To say that Mr. Bigcanoe is doiog all that could be desired, would not be true, but he is doing good work, so far as I can learn. At present we cannot do better than grant the request of the Indians, and keep him on. The membership is about fifty-two. Mr. Bigcanoe was ordained last November, during Mr. Hall's visit. I have visited the mission twice since then; spending two days with them in February. The church has been plastered and money has been raised to build a shed; they are now taking steps to re-seat the church. During the year they have raised for Mr. Bigcanoe about forty dollars, being ten dollars short of what was promised—not so very bad for them; next year I hope they will not lack *any*. I have received from various sources thirty-five dollars, with which I have furnished (partially) his house, bought flour, etc., and paid the rent of his house and lot ($6.25 per quarter). His income has been from all sources, $225.00. The same place can be obtained for another year at the same rental. This mission may turn into good account, with a station or two amongst the white people in the future."

Strafford was occupied for the first half year by the Rev. C. E. Gordon-Smith. But, discouraged with the slow progress made, and almost despairing of the future of the church, in consequence of the heavy debt upon the property, Mr. Gordon-Smith resigned his charge early in January, since which time the church has had only occasional supplies, until the call and settlement of Rev. J. P. Gerrie, in the month of May. The grant required is large—$400—but Mr. Gerrie enters upon his work with zeal and hopefulness, and we trust that a new era has dawned upon the church.

Listowel.—The Rev. W. Burgess, who was in charge of this church during most of the year, reported in December heavy losses by removals to Toronto and Galt, but says:

"I am not, however, discouraged with our general work. We have as good an average attendance as at any time during my pastorate of two and a quarter years; and we have a good Sabbath School, with an average attendance of nearly one hundred. Next Sabbath we shall receive into fellowship three new members by profession. We have two services each Sabbath in our church, with an average attendance of a little over one hundred; sometimes having a very much larger number."

In the month of March, however, Mr. Burgess felt it to be his duty to resign his charge, and the church remained vacant for several months, obtaining such supplies for the pulpit as were available. Recently it has secured the services of the Rev. Alexander McLeod, of the Congregational College, who has been ordained and settled there, with excellent prospects.

Tilbury Centre.—Student Watt labored here during most of the summer. He reports:

"I found the church in a low condition and things generally discouraging; preached twice on Sunday and conducted a prayer meeting in the evening. I began a prayer meeting in North church a short time after arriving here. I attended Sunday School in North church and took a class; there was also a Sunday School in church, but the hour was inconvenient for me to attend. The attendance at all the services increased, having as many as fifty at prayer meetings. One encouraging feature is that the people are in earnest and anxious to secure the services of a pastor, which is the only hope of the church. I enjoyed the work much, and have had frequent testimony to the benefit received, by both young and old. I have visited all connected with the church several times; also some outside, as well as some of our French and Roman Catholic friends. Always well received."

St. Thomas.—On the retirement of the Rev. W. H. Allworth from the pastorate in May last, Student Solandt was put in charge of it for the summer, who reported finding things in a very discouraging condition. However, he says:

"The few friends set to work and the outlook soon became more hopeful. The parsonage was rented, the people and preacher worked and prayed, and God blessed our efforts; so that we not only paid $155 of debt, but raised and paid over $70 on church improvements; the congregation increased: two joined the church on profession, one of them a young man who wishes to enter our College. The people were attentive and kind, and my stay among them was very enjoyable and happy. The Sunday School averages forty-five children and ten officers and teachers. It was demoralized in spring by the loss of so many teachers. I acted as superintendent, and the school is now fairly well equipped; the vacant offices are filled; 130 volumes were added to the library; the library was catalogued and the books repaired. The "Gospel Hymns" were introduced instead of the book used."

Later on, the Rev. W. W. Smith spent a month there, supplying the vacant pulpit; and for the last six months of the year the Rev. W. F. Clarke has been laboring as stated supply. The great need of the church, on the human side, is a faithful, hopeful, energetic pastor, and for that the committee are anxiously looking and hoping.

New Durham, vacant since the removal of the Rev. C. S. Pedley, obtained a pastor in October last in the person of the Rev. James Webb, then just out from England, towards whose support the Executive made a grant at the rate of $200 per annum. Mr. Webb reports:

"At the time of my arrival the Methodist church was closed for repairs and alterations, and our Methodist friends had the use of our church for their evening service; but almost immediately after my settlement they gave up both services to me. As however, their church was not re-opened until the 27th of November, we could not tell to what extent our congregations would be affected by their withdrawal; a number of them worshipping with us both morning and evening. I am glad to say that they have not been very materially affected. Through the winter the attendance has been very good, with the exception of one or two very unfavorable Sundays. We have gained several adherents, who are very regular in their attendance."

Several additions to the membership are reported, and several others are applying.

"One young friend, who finally decided for a religious life, on the first Lord's Day evening of this year, when I preached to the young, stands proposed for fellowship; and other two have applied. We have sustained several losses by removal, and the gains will not much more than compensate for these.

"We have a Bible Class on Wednesday evenings, which is well attended, as many as thirty sometimes being present. A Literary and Musical Society meets in the basement of the church on Saturday evenings, which, though called The New Durham Literary and Musical Society, is to all intents and purposes a Congregational society. . The weekly meetings are largely attended, there being sometimes nearly a hundred persons present. To the young, the society is helpful, and it gives them an opportunity of exercising their talents in various ways, and it is a source of income to the church.

"I have paid 123 pastoral visits. The distances at which the people live, the generally bad state of the roads, and the lack of a horse and buggy, prevent me doing as much as I should like to do of this kind of work.

"In October, a meeting was held, at which the remainder of the debt on the church property was raised, so that it is now free. It is intended, before next winter, to enlarge the shed accommodation, and to paint the church.

"Towards the end of the year our Methodist friends intimated that they wished to withdraw from the Union Sunday School. They have done so, and a Congregational School has been started, with good success. As many now attend each school as formerly attended the Union school.

"At the end of December I was asked to become superintendent of a Union Sunday School, which meets in the Hatchley School House, three miles from here. I consented, and almost every Sunday afternoon since I have been there. The attendance was small during the severe weather, but rose to 52 last Sunday. I hope, through my connection with the School, to get a footing at Hatchley, and that at no very distant date we may have a station there, where at present there is no place of worship."

St. Catharines.—Rev. J. Colclough. Grant, $300. Mr. Colclough's report for December says:

"We are making progress, though but slowly. We have greatly improved our church building; for a small people this has cost us no little time and money. Since May we have received six members into the church, two by letter, two from the school, and two from the congregation. Our Band of Hope is doing

well. This winter we have started a Young People's Bible Service; and Weekly Cottage Prayer Meetings, in various parts of the city, which are being well attended. We have also a good attendance at our preaching station. Our main difficulty is the raising of a congregation here in the city. In St. Catharines we have no lapsed masses, no great number of families who do not profess to go to some place of worship. Then, unfortunately for us, many of our scholars are children of parents who go to other places of worship, and as they grow up they leave us to go with their parents. So we make but slow progress. The tide is against us."

His report for May announces serious illness, and is written by an amanuensis, the doctor having forbidden him even to use a pen. An experiment is being tried in the way of fitting up a public Reading-room in connection with the church, open every evening from 8 to 10 o'clock. This has brought a considerable number of friendly visitors, and drawn in a few young men from the streets, whom they hope thus to benefit religiously. The attendance on Sabbath is also "steadily improving." But we regret to add that, just when things were beginning to look hopeful, our brother has been compelled to resign his charge and return to England. We trust his health may soon be re-established.

ONTARIO—CENTRAL DISTRICT.

Alton and North Erin.—Student Hilton Pedley occupied this field during the vacation of 1887, preaching his first sermons on the 8th May.

"The people (he says) received me very kindly, and although somewhat discouraged, owing to a lack of preaching during the preceding winter, they picked up heart, and joined in with me willingly. I found that a good deal of visiting was needed, and very soon commenced work along that line. People kept getting more interested as the summer advanced, and the church, which at first was not very full, towards the close looked as if it were too small. Prayer meetings were organized in Alton and North Erin, and were fairly well attended. The Sabbath School at the former place was particularly interesting, one of its most attractive features being a Bible-class of from fifteen to twenty young men and women. The attendance at North Erin averaged forty, that at Alton seventy-five. The new church building is on the way towards completion; and when ready for worship there will, no doubt, be a considerable increase in attendance, as the old church is very uncomfortable, especially in winter."

A pastor has just been procured for them, Mr. Frank Davey, of the Congregational College, having been ordained and settled there in May. The committee has made a grant of $150, and has great confidence in his success.

Barrie.—Rev. J. R. Black, pastor. Grant, $200. Mr. Black's last report, after reciting the difficulties he found in his way in settling in Barrie fifteen months previously, goes on to say:

"And now, on looking over our common work during these months, I am glad that I undertook it, not that the difficulties have all been overcome, or the success of our joint labors has been large, but *some* of the obstacles have gone, and the success has been such as to warrant the expectation that the church will become fairly strong and permanently useful.

"There have been 17 additions to the membership; eleven new families have become a part of us, and at least as many more are connected with us through the Sunday School. Some of our regular attendants have removed from the town, but their places in the congregation have been taken by the new-comers, and there has been an increase in the number attending the services. This gain is most noticeable in the Sunday School, whose register now bears 155 names, instead of 67 on my advent . . . There has been a very gratifying improvement in our financial condition. At the commencement of my ministry, there was a deficit of $4 weekly, as regards the regular income; the receipts now equal the expenditure."

South Caledon.—Rev. A. W. Richardson, B.A., pastor. Grant $150. Only one report has reached us, from which we make the following extracts:

"Congregations at both my stations for the last half year have been very good indeed. At Church Hill especially, have the numbers been large and the attention all that could be desired. About the end of January last, I held two weeks of special meetings in Caledon. I preached every night but Saturday, and am sure that all felt benefited by them. Among the visible results I have received four young people on profession of faith, and more will follow. During the winter my work has been very hard, since, owing to the Alton and North Erin churches being vacant, I have been sent for to visit the sick and bury the dead, in a field extending from bottom to top of the township of Caledon, and all across its western division. Beyond this, I drive across the township of Erin before I can see the farthest removed member of Church Hill church, and have to travel seven miles north and south before reaching the limits of my parish in those directions."

Not satisfied with even this wide field, our laborious missionary has since been extending his work among the quarry men at Inglewood, and to the Forks of the Credit river; in appreciation of which the committee has made him a small additional grant for this year.

Parkdale.—Rev. Charles Duff, M.A. Grant $300. The church in this rapidly extending suburb of Toronto seems to be slowly growing, and it is to be hoped will one day become great and prosperous. Mr. Duff says in his May report:

"We are progressing very nicely and comfortably in our church and its work. I am not satisfied in this regard, but very thankful for the progress we are making. I think our congregations have increased nearly a third since my last report. Finances are doing nicely and our people are encouraged and hopeful. Every month sees new additions to the church, not a few of them pleasing instances of conversion. My salary is never a week behind. We are geeting into more *system* in our work; and the ladies are begining to take an interest in the schemes and work of the church which they have not manifested before.

In his second report, Mr. Duff speaks of some financial depression, but of no diminution of numbers, nothwithstanding the opening of a large new Presbyterian church near by:

"To hold our own," he says, "under such circumstances, is something. Fifteen new members were added during the past year, mostly on profession of their faith. Five were dismissed to other churches, and seven or eight were cut off for non-attendance, which leaves us, in actual membership, about where we were."

Bowmanville.—Rev. W. H. Warriner, B.D. Grant $100.

"The past six months' work," Mr. Warriner says in December, "was broken by my visit to England to see my father and brothers and sisters, after an absence of sixteen years. During my absence the pulpit was acceptably supplied by the Rev. A. W. Gerrie and Rev. W. W. Smith, and I found, on my return, that the church had kept well together, united in Christian love and service. A public reception was given me, and I was surprised by a gift from my people of $50 "to help to keep the house warm this winter," they said Thinking the prospects favorable to hold special services, I invited and received for two weeks the help of the Rev. E. D. Silcox, of Embro, who preached faithfully and well. The meetings were much enjoyed by those who attended them, and the church was revived; but up to the present I have not been privileged to gather much fruit as the result. One of the chief features of the year has been the numerous removals from church and congregation to Toronto, California and elsewhere. I find that since May last we have dismissed nine members to other churches, and dropped three on revision of the Roll. This is a large reduction from so small a membership as ours, and has not altogether been made up by additions. Still we have received some, and three more stand proposed, on profession of faith. Others we hope, with confidence, to receive before long. The past year has also been, without exception, the most harmonious year in all Church fellowship and life since my settlement in 1882. Our finances, in consequence of the removals already spoken of, have not increased; but by careful economy, and special efforts, we have somewhat improved our circumstances."

His May report speaks of still further losses by removal, but says:

"Our congregations have, however, kept up, and somewhat increased, and our Sunday School and prayer meetings have flourished. Of the additions to the church during the year, three were from the Sunday School. Our finances, though not very abundant, are still in a healthy condition. Long outstanding accounts were gathered in at the beginning of the year, and provision made for their payment, and a Ladies' Aid Fund has been opened for repairs and interest on mortgage. My people though few, are courageous and generous, and contribute on an average $20 a year per member."

Manilla.—Rev. T. W. Bowen, pastor. Grant $200. This station which has been vacant since the resignation and removal of Rev. Geo. Whyte, has again been provided with a pastor. Early in the year, the Rev. T. W. Bowen, from England, visited the people, at the instance of our Missionary Superintendent, and on their cordial invitation, settled among them. Probably through some oversight of the rule of the Society, no report has reached the Committee, but there is reason to believe that the settlement has proved a happy one, and that the church is prospering under its new pastor.

ONTARIO—EASTERN DISTRICT.

Coldsprings.—Since the removal of the Rev. Hugh Pedley from Cobourg, Coldsprings has been separated from it, and during the whole year has, by permission of the College Board, enjoyed the services of Student Swanson, who has proved himself both energetic and successful. Mr. Swanson has opened a new and promising station at Bewdly, about seven miles away, where no other preaching service is held, in consideration of which the Committee have made a grant, in assistance, of $75 for the year.

Belleville.—Rev. A. W. Main, pastor. Grant $400. The pastor reports the prospects in this field as "bright and more hopeful than ever he has seen them before."

"We have an average attendance in the morning of seventy-five or eighty, in the evening between one hundred and twenty-five and one hundred and fifty. I preach each Sabbath morning and evening, and teach a Bible class at 2 p.m. The Wednesday evening prayer meeting has been fairly well attended. The young people have organized a 'Society of Christian Endeavor,' which meets every Thursday evening, and is of great benefit in keeping the young members interested in the work. Besides some weeks of special services of our own, the church during the months of March and April united with the other churches of the city in a series of evangelical services carried on under the leadership of Rev. Messrs. Hunter and Crossley. The meetings were good and were followed by cheering results. On the first Sabbath of May we received twenty-four on profession of faith, and nine others were elected; thirty-six have been received during the year, and twelve now elected to membership. Financially this has been a very trying year on the Belleville church, and in order to sympathize with this little band, one would need to take the pastor's place for a little while. But the interest on both church and parsonage is paid; about $60 on the principal, and the pastor paid in full: $34.75 have been sent from the church and Sabbath school to the C. C. M. Society."

For a number of months our brother has been holding a third preaching service at 3.30 p. m., in the village of Canifton (three miles from Belleville), where a good and much interested congregation has been gathered. On the 6th of December, by vote of a Council called for the purpose, a Congregational church was organized with thirteen members, to which eight have since been added. A disused Methodist Church building has been bought for $750, on which $200 has been paid.

"The attendance is over 100. A Sabbath school meets in the morning with forty-five scholars, an efficient Superintendent and good teachers. I have a prayer-meeting there every Tuesday evening which is well attended. Between $40 and $50 has been laid out on the church. A new organ has been bought, and they have sent $11.75 to the C. C. M. Society. The work there is very encouraging, and, if looked after, will be a great help to the Belleville church. In view of the recent awakening, and the deep interest taken in the work of the church, and the very encouraging new field just opened, I have reasons for believing that we will soon have a self-supporting cause here. The unanimity and kindness of the people have greatly encouraged and helped me."

Middleville.—Rev. E. C. W. MacColl, B.A., pastor. Grant $100. Special services were held in this field in March, with the assistance of Rev. A. W. Main, Belleville, and Rev. B. W. Day, Lanark, for three weeks. The attendance and interest were very marked, and all regretted that his duty to his own field made it impossible for Mr. Main to remain longer.

"About twenty persons (says the pastor) were led to accept of Christ as their Redeemer and King. Some of these belong to other churches. Eight have already united with our own, and there are several whom we expect to receive shortly. One of the young men received feels drawn powerfully to the ministry, and is prayerfully seeking the path of duty.

"Brother Main's presentation of the Gospel message, and mode of work, were most acceptable, and met, as they well deserved, the most grateful and hearty recognition. He seems to be just the man that is needed to co-operate with pastors and churches in gathering in the harvest from seed sown in the regular course of the ministry. He is clear and forcible in statement, vivid in illustration, tender in appeal, and most effective in the face-to-face dealing with inquirers in the after-meetings, and in their homes. * * * Occasional removals rob us of many of the young people who would be a strength to us in coming years. But after all, that is the story ever old and ever new. We contribute our life-blood to churches of our order in the larger towns or cities, or else to other churches of our common Lord, whose work is *one* in the whole and in every part.

"As it is, my work is spread over half a township, and presents many aspects full of interest and hope I have more co-operation in directly spiritual work than at any time before, and an increasing attendance and interest in our Weekly Prayer Meeting."

Later on, he says:

"I have introduced more of the 'Bible Reading' element in the prayer-meeting, so as to enlist young and old in the search of the Word."

And in respect to finances:

"Having paid for the new church, the people are likely to do more for denominational objects. Some $30 was raised among them by Rev. R. K. Black, their first pastor, for Sarnia church debt. We have just taken $20 in subscriptions to the college."

Vankleek Hill and Hawkesbury.—These stations were supplied in the summer by Student Austin; and for a short time after his return to college, by Rev. James White. The former sent in a report of his labors; from which we make the following extracts:

"The services at the Hill have generally been fairly well attended, averaging from forty to fifty on Sabbath afternoons. On Thursday evenings our church is used for the 'Union Prayer-Meeting'; an outcome of last year's revival services, and is well attended. We have endeavored to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ in faithfulness and sincerity; and our hope and trust is, that the seed sown will blossom into rich fertility—not only for the cause of Congregationalism, but for that to which we believe our church polity is a means—the Church of the living God.

"On May 24, we had an open Foreign Missionary meeting, in connection with our Ladies' Society, and realized $13 toward the Mrs. Currie Memorial Fund. One young man, a member of our church, has expressed his wish to enter the ministry, and has been advised to study at the High School, preparatory to entering College."

Of Hawkesbury, he reports:

"On the first of May we began preaching services at Hawkesbury; and have continued to proclaim the message of salvation, with the exception of two or three Sabbaths in June, and three in August, when Messrs. McIntyre and Sinclair held revival services in the Congregational church. The result of their meetings was, that many were brought to know Christ, to the salvation of their souls Some of these young converts have expressed a wish to join the church, if a pastor was settled amongst them. The need of a settled pastor, to preach to and visit among the people of Hawkesbury and Vankleek Hill, is great and urgent A Young People's meeting has been begun; and thus far has been well attended. A Ladies' Missionary Society has also been formed, and the outlook is encouraging."

QUEBEC DISTRICT.

Franklin Centre has been temporarily occupied by the Rev. Jos. Dixon, towards whose support a grant of $100 for the year was made. Only one report has been received — in December — in which Mr. Dixon says :

"We are going on steadily preaching the Word, and supplementing by pastoral visits, in the hope that the harvest time will soon come . . . The attendance at both morning and evening services continues good — frequently our little church is filled on Sabbath evenings.

"We have lost nine members by death and removals ; but have received five by transfer. During the year, $48 have been raised for Missionary and College funds ; and about $160 for church debt. Besides this repairs to parsonage have been paid for.

"This winter we are uniting in prayer-meetings with our Methodist brethren and the results are good."

At the end of the year Mr. Dixon received a call to a church in New York State, and in accordance with Article XI of the Constitution of the Society, signified his wish to the Committee to withdraw ; which, with their consent he did, and the church at present is vacant.

Eaton.—Rev. George Skinner, pastor. Grant, $100. Some changes in the services were noted in Mr. Skinner's last report ; Birchton, which is visited every Sunday afternoon, having taken the place of Learned Plain, and a service being given to Kingsley every alternate Sunday evening, when the Eaton friends hold a social meeting for prayer. Reviewing the work of the last five years, the pastor says :

"I think we may safely say that the prospects are much brighter than they have been, and the work has the appearance of permanency. Since June last, we have received nine into fellowship ; seven on profession of faith, and two by letter. The increase in membership will not likely increase our financial strength very much, as they are mostly members of families that have been regular contributors. A steady work is going on. Some have been led to embrace Christ as their Saviour, since our last report ; and others are thinking seriously. Union and harmony have prevailed in all our work. The outside of the church has been painted during the summer. Next summer we hope to build sheds, which are very much needed."

Fitch Bay. Rev. L. P. Adams, pastor. Grant $100. Our aged and faithful missionary, who has now for 34 years occupied this laborious field, is still continuing his work. He says :

"I have not much to say that will appear interesting. With me it has been a year of mourning, but God has graciously sustained me, soul and body.

"Our work has gone on about as usual. The Sabbath services and the Sabbath Schools have been well sustained ; and with some degree of encouragement ; and I may say with much enjoyment. It has been a hard, snowy winter, but I have been able to meet all my appointments but one, and to do a great deal of pastoral work ; which requires much more of a minister's time than his Sabbath labors.

"With thankfulness to God, that He gives me health and life to honor Him in the Gospel, I remain, yours truly, L. P. Adams."

Waterville.— Rev. George Purkis, pastor, Grant $100. Some rearrangement of the stations has been made here also, "Lavers" having been dropped during the winter, in the hope of inducing the people to attend at Waterville, where Mr. Purkis now holds both morning and evening services. After speaking of some improvements in the church propery, all of which have been paid for, Mr. Purkis says :

"I am thankful to be able to state that I have been permitted to continue my work during the past year, without interruption. . . . I have, during the year, held seventy-seven services in Waterville, forty-nine in Curtis, and thirteen at Lavers, besides preaching seventeen outside of my own field ; making in all one hundred and forty six services. The Wednesday evening prayer-meeting has been regularly kept up, although it has been fluctuating in attendance. The Sabbath School, although not large, has been steady, and interesting.

"The contributions of the people for my support have been somewhat on the increase, and before I received your letter informing me that the Committee could not continue the grant any longer, I had intended to propose that we should not apply for any help this year. I told our friends at our Annual Meeting what I had been thinking about, and also read them your letter ; and I think they would have readily adopted my suggestion, had it not been that they were making arrangements to procure a new parsonage ; the present one being much out of repair. After discussing the matter, it was moved, seconded and carried unanimously, 'That we thank the Missionary Society for their kind help in the past, and ask that a grant of $100 be made for another year, in view of our being about to build a new parsonage.'

"During the year, we have raised $48 for the C. C. M. S., being an increase of $10.68 over last year ; also $36 for Foreign Missions ; besides $58.85 for other denominational, and general religious objects, making in all $140.85.

"If I am spared until the end of June, I will have completed my twenty-first year in Waterville ; during which time a great many have been added to our fellowship, though a large proportion of them have been removed from us, either by death, or to other parts."

NOVA SCOTIA.

Chebogue.— Rev. W. H. Watson, pastor. Grant, $200. From very voluminous and interesting reports we extract the following :

"We are working along without any additions, yet not discouraged on account of this. We have young people rising in our meetings, and telling that they are seeking and have found Christ ; and we rejoice, though we receive them not, remembering the Master's words, 'Other sheep I have which are not of this fold.'

"Our people are very regular in their attendance, and our morning congregations have been on the increase. Spiritually, we are advancing as a church ; and the community has taken a step forward in some respects. We have been enabled to introduce some helpful literature, and the Congregational Board's works are not neglected. We can report progress in Sabbath School work, as our membership is increased to 67, and we hold an average of over 50.

"Our Ladies' Prayer Meeting has a good spiritual tone, and is increasing in interest. We have a Young People's Sewing Society started, to assist the older society in good work.

"The interest in the church was never greater in many respects, although we have no additions to report. Financially, we have good encouragement. Though

having suffered loss from various sources, by removals and death, we finish the year free of debt ; and I have been paid, as in former months, *in advance*. If we could only hold what we have and what we get, we might, in five years, be a self-supporting church ; but that is not ever likely to be. We shall be a "*giving* church," to help to strengthen others. The Prayer Meetings are a hopeful feature, too, for we seldom have less than 40, and often 60 at them, and more are taking part in them. . . Our Ladies' Auxiliary Missionary Society is working along, and I trust will give a good report. . . Monthly Foreign Missionary Prayer Meetings are in favour, and our collections keep up at them. Collections on behalf of College and Union have been taken up ; those for Home Missions and Widows and Orphans' Fund will be taken up during Spring, also for Foreign Missions. Our "Busy Bees" have done better this year, having sent $6.00, and have on hand, to send early, $18.00 ; and there are 30 Missionary Bags out for the winter."

Noel and Maitland, &c. This wide and important charge, left vacant through the breaking down in health of Rev. J. W. Cox, was occupied last summer by Student Daley, who reports finding things in a very disorganized condition. His labours were distributed over the field, which is thirty miles in length, as follows :

"I held preaching services at Lower Selma and Noel two Sundays in succession, and at Maitland and South Maitland on the third Sunday ; also once in three weeks, on Friday night, at Urbania. I also attended Sunday Schools at Selma and Noel every Sunday, Prayer Meetings at Noel and Selma on Tuesday and Wednesday nights respectively, and at Urbania at close of service.

"Owing to the great tract of country over which I had to travel, I was not able to devote the time to any particular part that I saw was necessary ; nor was I able to see the results I looked for. . . I was pleased to note that congregations gradually increased in size during my stay ; but I cannot say the same of the Prayer Meetings. One promising young man has begun studies preparatory to entering our College ; and I think that there are others there who, if looked after, may do the same."

The Rev. James Shipperley, who has recently removed from Margaree to Maitland, also sends the following report :

"As the four churches located within a line about 18 miles in extent, along the shores of that part of the Bay of Fundy called the Cobiquid Bay, have until recently received aid from, and the interest of the C. C. M. S., the supporters of that institution have a right to expect some report as to their present condition and progress.

"*South Maitland*, 14 miles from the Shubenacadie Station, on the I. C. Railway, has, since November last, when the present pastor took charge, been regularly supplied with preaching, every fortnight, on Sabbath mornings. Although the congregation has, in common with all our other congregations here, been greatly diminished and weakened by removals, yet quite a large gathering generally presents itself, sometimes nearly filling the basement of the church, which is at present the only part of the building we can use. The exterior of the edifice presents quite a neat appearance, its spire being seen for miles. Prayer Meetings are well attended, both here and at Urbania, four miles above. A good general interest is observable.

"*Maitland.*—The congregation began, in November, to meet in its unfinished church building, and feels much encouraged More work on the edifice is expected to be proceeded with this spring. An organ has been placed in the church. Fair and sometimes full congregations meet fortnightly on Sabbath afternoons, and monthly on Sabbath evenings. At the latter meetings collections for missions

are taken up, and good results hoped for. The New Congregational Hymn Book has just been introduced. Five miles down the Bay shore is the church at

"*Selma*, which meets in a neat little structure, finished and well furnished. . . . This locality and church is feeling very keenly, in common with the others, the effect of the cessation of the ship-building trade all along the shore. Here, not long ago, the launches averaged one vessel per mile, each year, for about 18 miles; whereas now not one is being built for the whole distance. A great exodus is the result.

"*Noel* has a fortnightly Sabbath service, which is generally well attended. The church building is a finished substantial structure. . . . Several of the congregation reside at a considerable distance from their place of worship, among them some of its most active members. Hence bad weather and heavy roads have a diminishing effect on the attendance. One member was added to the church from the S. S. at the last communion, and one also to each of the churches at South Maitland and Selma. One a sailor lad saved from a burning ship, to spend 40 days in an open boat on the Pacific. He devotes his life to the Lord. Fortnightly Sabbath evening services are also held at Noel Village or Moose Brook."

Margaree was left vacant in November by the removal of Mr. Shipperley to Maitland, as already noted. So far no means have been found of supplying it.

Economy also became vacant at the end of December, by the departure of Mr. McLeod. Every effort had been made to fill the vacancy, but up to the time of the annual meeting without success.

Cornwallis has received such service as it was possible for him to render, from the Rev. J. W. Cox. We rejoice in the hope that our brother is improving in health, and may yet be given back to us, in answer to the prayers of many.

Milton.—Rev. Henry Goddard, pastor. Grant, $100. The pastor has continued his work throughout most of the year, in a condition of physical weakness which has at last compelled him to resign his charge and seek a different climate. Reporting in December, he says:

"Our congregations keep about the same; unless we have an influx of residents, which is highly improbable, we cannot expect an increase. Two of our people have recently removed to the States, and others are likely to follow. Our Prayer Meetings, including our Monthly Missionary Meetings are well sustained, and there seems to be an earnest spirit of prayer amongst the people. I have started two Cottage Prayer Meetings, which are well attended and much enjoyed. The Ladies' Missionary and Church Aid Societies are vigorously carried on. Indeed, the ladies are the main supports of this cause. They recently held a sale of work in aid of painting and renovating the parsonage, which realized $90, after deducting expenses. My Young People's Band has not been so well attended; nevertheless there is much connected therewith to encourage us. I have continued preaching at Beach Meadows, once a fortnight, to excellent congregations, and next Lord's Day I am to preach at Brooklyn. There is much fruit to be gathered at these places; but the great immediate want is a zealous man on the spot."

Mr. Goddard relinquished his charge at the end of April, and Milton is vacant.

Baddeck.—Student Lee spent the summer here; from his report we take the following:

"I found the church suffering much from the lack of regular preaching and pastoral oversight; many told me they would like to join our church, but they could not feel sure of its permanency; and they might be in need of pastoral ministration, and unable to obtain it.

"The congregations were small all the first Sunday, but steadily increased up to the time of my leaving. In the evenings, the room would be comfortably filled. The collections were good; for the first two months, over $3.00 per Sunday, and during the last few weeks, over $5.00. I preached Foreign Mission sermons, and received $7.06 in collections; also $5.00 for Home Missions, and $5.00 for the College. It was the first time any such collections had been taken. We also set apart one Sunday a month as Missionary Sunday in the Sunday School, which will be continued; and at the end of the year the amount collected will be sent to the Treasurer.

"We procured three dozen Congregational Hymn Books, many of which have been sold. We also procured a large book for Church Records, into which I copied the Property Deed, Covenant, Membership Roll, Baptisms, and record of meetings, etc. Baddeck is growing, and is becoming a popular resort for tourists; and the influence of our church, even now, is highly beneficial to the place.

"Our prayer-meetings were an interesting feature. I found the people, especially the young, unaccustomed to any active work. We introduced Topics in advance, and soon many read texts bearing upon them. We also introduced 'Sentence Prayers,' with good results. The average attendance was fifty.

"The field is an extremely pleasant one, and is capable of bringing forth much fruit: the people being intelligent and prosperous. It is a critical time for the church; it must either be established upon a firm basis, with a pastor, or the adherents will drift away from us.

"There is a debt of $150 on the church, held by an adherent, who has promised that as soon as a pastor is procured, he will give a receipt in full for it."

Pleasant River.—Rev. W. Peacock, pastor. Grant, $100.

"In September this church gave its pastor leave of absence for a few weeks, which he spent as a 'working holiday' in Margaree, his former charge.

"It was very gratifying (he writes) to be privileged, after the lapse of six years, to visit the homes, and greet many with whom we had often held sweet fellowship, and talked together of the good things of the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour. Old memories returned and warmed our hearts towards them and Him who had led them and us together in our former work. On leaving, however, we left behind us, in death, our little daughter, Nina Blanche, which calls forth memories of the place. While there, we spent a week, in the interest of the Missionary Society, with a small church of twenty families at Loch Lomond, where we found a devout people.

On our return, the people of Pleasant River manifested their kindness to, and interest in us in various ways. A sociable was given, the proceeds of which were handed to us; a waggon and woodhouse has been erected in connection with the parsonage. On the part of teachers and scholars, in all three schools, much interest has been taken in the work. At Ohio and Baker's Settlement pastoral visitations have been instrumental in reaching and getting a hearing from a number of heads of families, and others, who had seldom or ever attended the public worship of God; some of whom are now deeply interested in the Word. For the past few weeks a good spirit has shown itself in our week evening prayer-meeting at Ohio.

"In his report for May, mention is made of the addition of four persons on profession of faith at Pleasant River, and of a growing interest at Ohio, where as many as twenty-five persons have arisen, on one evening, for prayer. A good work is manifestly being done."

NEW BRUNSWICK.

St. John.—Rev. J. B. Saer, pastor; grant, $300. This old and important church has suffered a series of disasters in former years, and, even now, is constantly depleted by removals to the United States, but Mr. Saer writes hopefully. In December he says:

"Our Congregations are steadily on the increase; about fifteen families are now attending the services, who have been interested since I assumed the pastorate of the church."

In March he writes that the church has given him leave of absence for three months, during which he proposes to visit England, attend the meetings of the Congregational Union of England and Wales, and try to collect a little money towards paying off the church debt. The church, he says, notwithstanding that some of the people have suffered through recent bank failures during the past year, has raised more money than for many previous years.

"The extra amount has been expended on the church building, which has been much improved. No other church in the city has raised more per member than ours. The total sum was over $2,600. Collections for missions and College will amount to about $150. Our congregations are much as usual, though there is a constant emigration to the United States. We expect to receive six new members into fellowship on Easter Sunday, and others at a later date."

Keswick Ridge.—Rev. S. B. Hawes, pastor: grant $200. The pastor has six regular Sabbath appointments, three of which he fills every Sunday: and two week-night meetings. Reporting in May, he says:

"There has been some little interest in some of the outposts of the church. Two young ladies will probably join the church at the Douglas station very soon. A few heads of families have become interested at the Bear Island station, and we hope that three may join the church at that place in June. One of these is a husband and two are mothers. The Springfield, Upper Keswick Ridge and Lower Keswick Ridge have all increased their contributions to the cause. Collections are taken monthly at our Young People's Meetings, at Bear Island. . . . One or two of the outposts have fallen slightly below what they did last year. But we hope to avoid the deficit of $30 which had to be faced at the annual meeting. This year we have added four special collections, viz.: Bible Society, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and the College. But it is awful hard work to get out of the ruts."

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Vancouver.—The Rev. Hugh Pedley, late of Cobourg, Ont., who was the first appointee of the Committee for this place, having, with their consent, accepted the call of the church in Winnipeg, his brother, the Rev. J. W. Pedley, of Georgetown, was asked to undertake the mission in his stead. His church parted with him reluctantly, but as Mr. Pedley felt it his duty to go, they at last consented, and gave him a good "send off," and generously contributed towards the establishment of the new cause. Mr. Pedley reached his new home at the latter end of March, and began services in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association, from which they were shortly afterwards removed to one more convenient and commodious, in the Wilson block, where a congregation of about 200 persons has been gathered. Particulars regarding the beginning thus made have already been published by the Committee in fly-sheet form, and need not be repeated; but we give extracts from his last letter, of June 21st, which are most interesting:

"Last Sabbath morning we formally organized ourselves into a church—by name, 'The First Congregational Church, Vancouver.' There were 32 charter members. We adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening, when 4 more were added, so that we have 36 to start with. Twenty-three of these are men. A great number of these are single persons; but there are, at any rate, 15 families members of the church, besides a number that simply adhere to us. I read the 'Declaration' of the YEAR BOOK, also a solemn covenant. We took as our basis for a constitution that of the Central Congregational church, Winnipeg, and amended it to suit ourselves. All the offices and committees of the church are filled. I think we have the framework of a good church, laid on a firm foundation. It was the first time I have done anything of the kind, and was careful to do it well. . . . I went over to Westminster this week and spent several hours exploring the town. From conversations which I had, and the general appearance of the place, I think it is going to be of considerable size. I found enough *Congregationalism* there, in my short visit, to warrant the *hope*, that in the near future, we shall have a church there. I have set one or two persons there to find out for me the names of all who are inclined to our church. They will report to me. Nanaimo, I think, should be visited, and Victoria. I am inclined to think that, in this Province, there is room for us in abundance, if there can be put down in these places men who can hold their own."

As mentioned elsewhere, the Rev. Messrs. Fielden and Hall are about to visit British Columbia; and, with the promise of liberal assistance from the Colonial Missionary Society, we have good hope of a speedy occupancy of several of the fields named in Mr. Pedley's letter. The cost at first, however, will be heavy, and our Canadian churches must be prepared to do their full share.

MANITOBA.

Portage la Prairie.—As explained elsewhere, the Rev. A. W. Gerrie, late of Pine Grove, Ont., was designated, in October last, as the Missionary of the Society, to take up work in Brandon, Man.; but on his arrival there, and after consultation with friends of the cause

LISTOWEL.

Collection	$15 00
Ladies' H. M. S.	15 00
	$30 00

LONDON.

No list	$89 00
Disabled Minister	8 25
	$97 25

NEW DURHAM.

Collection	$ 2 31
Rev. J. Webb	2 50
Mrs. Webb	2 50
Isaac Haight	2 00
Thos. Lockyer	2 00
Sam'l Otis	2 00
Mrs. S. Otis	1 00
George N. Wey	1 00
Philip Kelly	1 00
James Yates	1 00
James D. Cargill	1 00
Wm. Robbins	1 00
Mrs. H'y Waud	1 00
Small sums	5 69
Disabled Minister	7 00
	$33 00

PARIS.

Disabled Minister	$ 5 00
British Columbia	6 00
	$11 00

SPEEDSIDE.

Henry Carter	$ 1 00
Thomas Armstrong	1 50
Adam Armstrong	2 00
Miss M. Lister	2 00
J. L. Benham	1 20
Mr. Shaw	1 00
Rev. C. S. Pedley	3 00
Wm. S. Armstrong	3 00
William Hindley	1 00
Small sums	8 30
Disabled Minister	5 00
	$29 00

SCOTLAND.

Wm. Foster	$ 2 00
Rev. Wm. Hay	2 00
Sunday School	3 00
M. E.	1 50
For Mission	1 50
Augustus Malcolm	1 00
Small sums	5 40
Disabled Minister	5 00
	$21 40

ST. THOMAS.

Mrs. Whitham	$ 2 00
S. Silcox	2 00
Mr. Hawkins	1 00
Mrs. Dake	1 00
Miss Watterhouse	1 00
Miss Rosevear	1 00
Mrs. Williams, sr	1 00
Mr. Bastard	1 00
H. Flowers	1 00
A. Armitage	1 00
Small sums	4 25
	$16 25

ST. CATHARINES.

No list	$35 00
Disabled Minister	5 00
	$40 00

SARNIA.

Rev. R. K. Black	$ 5 00
J. Lambert	2 00
Mrs. Black	1 50
Miss Black	1 00
Miss S Black	1 00
Miss L. Black	1 00
Mr. Brown	1 00
Mr. Grisbrook	1 00
Mr. Merritt	1 00
C. C. Claris	1 00
J. McLagan	1 00
Small sums	6 50
Disabled minister	10 00
	$33 00

regards the growing interest among our churches in the conversion of the heathen as out of proportion to other Christian duties. We have given only a little over $2,000 during the year to proclaim the gospel, where there are now 400,000 souls to one minister; and since this society was formed, we have only sent one man forward—who otherwise would have been used at home.

On the other hand, over $6,000 was given during the year for work on our own continent, where there are now 500 ministers to the same number of souls. And since this society was formed, our college has sent out fifteen men into the home-field. In short, on the home-fields, where there are five hundred times as many laborers, we have sent fifteen times as many men to swell the number, in seven years; and this year have given three times as much money. We feel that this society is warranted in pressing the foreign work upon the notice of Christians in the churches, without being considered unwise in the use of denominational funds.

We have printed a pamphlet containing some of Mr. Currie's letters. Some were sent to each church to be sold, and many churches have remitted, so that most of the expense has been covered. The *Canadian Independent* has been freely used, and we wish that it would be more generally taken by laymen, so that fresh news from our foreign fields might readily be distributed.

FINANCES.

The contributions have been a gain upon last year. And it is noteworthy, that they have come in without any pressure. No heart-rending appeal has gone forth; but the officers have tried to set the work fairly before the churches, as one of their natural Christian activities. The gifts have been made as free-will offerings. And we have reason to believe that this spirit has been a help to the churches, in the work within our own borders. Those churches which have increased their contributions to Foreign Missions, have also done so for our other denominational societies. The expenditure has been for Mr. Currie's salary and exploration-expenses, and for outfit and travelling expenses of Miss Lyman.

The next year will require a larger expenditure, to furnish equipment for the new station. Mr. Currie's estimate for the year 1889 is as follows:—

Salary	$650	School fixtures	$ 50
Moving from Bailundu	125	Mission plant	100
Permanent house	300	Tribute	75
School-house	100	Miscellaneous	60
Fence and outhouses	100		
Road and bridge	40		$1600

A part of this will no doubt be covered by the balance of the Clara Wilkes Currie Memorial Fund.

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ONTARIO WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

BELWOOD.

Robert Y. Blyth	$3 00
Rev. J. C. Wright	1 00
Wm. Douglas	1 00
D. Johnston	1 00
Small sums	4 20
Disabled Ministers	5 00
	$15 20

BRANTFORD.

James Wilkes	$20 00
L. O. Wisner	10 00
E. L. Goold	10 00
Henry Yeigh	7 80
Mrs. John Ott	6 80
Rev. Geo. Fuller	5 20
Mrs. James Wilkes	5 00
Walter Wickens	5 00
Geo. H. Malcolm	3 30
Mrs. Champion	2 30
Miss Annie Wilkes	2 08
J. G. Liddell	2 00
Miss Jennie Woodyatt	2 00
Bible Class	7 25
Dr. McLaren	2 00
Joseph Gillespie	1 60
A. G. Malcolm	1 60
Albert Secord	1 60
Mrs. Geo. E. Adams	1 04
James Brown	1 04
Mrs. Brophey	1 04
Miss H. T. Goold	1 04
James Gerson	1 04
Mrs. Hollinrake	1 04
Mrs. Tute	1 04
W. H. Shapley	1 04
Mrs. L. O. Wisner	1 40
Mrs. Wickens	1 04
Miss Emily Wickens	1 04
A. H. Mellish	1 00
Miss Nellie Prowse	1 00
Mrs. Catmore	1 04
No name	1 00
Small sums	1 88
	$113 25
British Columbia	86 90
	$200 15

BURFORD.

Albert Foster	$5 00
Mrs. Foster	1 00
Henry Cox	10 00
T. S. McIntee	1 00
J. M. Keachie	1 00
Mrs. Winskel	1 00
Miss Yeigh	1 00
J. M. Charles	1 00
Arthur Pollard	2 00
A Friend	1 00
Mrs. Charles	2 00
Mrs. Heywood	1 00
David Messecar	1 00
Small sums	7 23
Sunday School collections	14 77
Additional	2 00
	$52 00

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.

The Second Annual Meeting of the Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions was held in Calvary Church, Montreal, beginning Wednesday, June 6th, 1888. Thirty-one delegates from auxiliaries and mission bands, six representatives of churches, and a number of ladies from the city, were present, and manifested great interest in the proceedings.

At the preliminary meeting on Wednesday morning, the first hour was devoted to prayer, with remarks from Miss Gleason, of Constantinople; Mrs. Savage, of Vermont; the president and officers of the Board. In the absence of the Treasurer, Mrs. Burton, Rev. J. Burton read the Treasurer's report; and a deputation from the Home Missionary Society, consisting of Rev. F. H. Marling and Rev. Dr. Jackson, was received. These gentlemen spoke at length on the claims of home-work, and suggested that the ladies assist in building, in the North West, a memorial church to the late Rev. Dr. Wilkes. A committee, formed by general invitation, met in the afternoon to consider the revision of the constitution and appropriation of funds.

After devotional exercises

ON THURSDAY MORNING,

the meeting was formally opened by the President's address, followed by an address of welcome from Mrs. Wilkes, and response from Mrs. D. McGregor, of Guelph. Greetings were presented by the Canadian Woman's Board of Missions, through Mrs. Lay and Miss Baylis; the Vermont Branch of the American Womans' Board, through Mrs. J. Savage, of St. Johnsbury; the Methodist Woman's Missionary Society, through Mrs. Ross; and the Young Ladies' Missionary Society of Emmanuel Church, through Miss Lighthall. The Boston Woman's Board and the Ladies' Society of the Maritime Provinces sent letters of greeting. Mrs. Wheeler, of Harpoot, Turkey, gave a short address. The reports of the Treasurer, Home Secretary, and Foreign Secretary were read and adopted. Reports of Toronto and Sherbrooke branches, Danville, Granby, and Guelph Auxiliaries, and Guelph Mission Band were given. After lunch at Emmanuel church, the ladies were present by invitation at the annual meetings of the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of the Union.

ON FRIDAY MORNING,

the first hour was spent in devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Macallum.

W. Jeffery	5 00
W. A. Wallis	2 00
Silas Hartman	1 00
J. W. Wallis	1 00
Frances E. Jeffery	1 00
Small sums	3 00
Collection	3 11
	$20 11

RUGBY.

Collection	$14 60
Additional	20 00
	$34 60

SHEDDEN.

Collection	$11 50

ST. THOMAS.

Collection	$ 5 36

SCOTLAND.

Collection	$10 00

STRATFORD.

A. H. Alexander	$ 5 00

STOUFFVILLE.

Collection	$23 00

TILBURY.

Collection	$16 36

TORONTO.

(ZION).

By vote of Church	$91 00
By Sunday School	4 00
The Misses Christie	5 00
	$100 00

(NORTHERN).

By vote of church	$50 00

(HAZELTON AVENUE).

Collections	$31 10

(MOUNT ZION).

Rev. Enoch Barker	$ 2 00
Church and S. S.	8 00
	$10 00

(CHESTNUT ST. MISSION SCHOOL).

Collection	$ 5 00

(SPADINA AVENUE).

Collection by S. S.	$14 90

VANKLEEK HILL.

Collection	$ 6 34

WARWICK.

Watford	$ 4 44
Ebenezer	3 56
Zion	4 48
	$12 48

WINGHAM.

Collection	$ 9 00

WIARTON.

Collections	$10 00
Ladies' Aid	10 00
	$20 00

WOODSTOCK.

Collections	$30 00

John Crowe, Guelph, Ont	$ 100 00
Rev. Charles Chapman, M.A., Montreal	100 00
G. W. Moss, Montreal	100 00
Hon. Mr. Justice Sanborn, Sherbrooke, Que	100 00
Wm. Reid, Montreal	100 00
Thomas Robertson, Montreal	100 00
Abraham Spaulding, Montreal	100 00
R. W. Cowan, Montreal	100 00
George Robertson, jr., Kingston	100 00
Miss Baxter, Dundee Scotland	100 00
Robertson Brothers, Kingston	75 00
Francis Scholes, Montreal	60 00
Major Hiram Mills, Montreal	60 00
William Moodie, Montreal	50 00
Rev. Wm. Clarke (thank offering in view of 50 years' ministry)	50 00
Andrew Paton, Sherbrooke	50 00
E. Hargrave, Sherbrooke	50 00
Robert Dunn, Montreal	50 00
Miss Edwards, Denmark Hill, London	50 00
Miss E. Edwards, Denmark Hill, London	50 00
William Edwards, Denmark Hill, London	50 00
Joshua Wilson, Tunbridge Wells, England	50 00
Henry Wright, London, England	50 00
Friends, by Mr. Wright, London, England	125 00
Wm. Henry Avory, Birmingham, England	50 00
John Whitley, Halifax, England	50 00
Mrs. Joseph Crossley, Halifax, England	50 00
John H. Watt, Glasgow, Scotland	50 00
James Spicer, Woodford, London	50 00
W. R. Spicer, Chiselhurst, England	50 00
John Kemp Welch, London, England	50 00
G. F. White, London, England	50 00
James Spicer, jr., London, England	50 00
Evan Spicer, London, England	50 00
Wright Mellor, Huddersfield, England	50 00
Rev. Thomas Baker, Hamilton, Ont	50 00
Subscriptions under $50, received by Dr. Wilkes in England (in the year 1874)	300 00
Bond St. Church, Toronto, Benevolent Fund	175 00
Contributions in the Province of Ontario, under $50	187 00
Contributions in the Province of Quebec, under $50	135 00

Mrs. Williams, of Emmanuel church, read an intensely interesting paper on "Our Missionary Revival." Miss Gleason told the story of her work, especially in forming a Sunday school in old Stamboul, part of Constantinople. The meeting was then closed.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION.

opened at 2 p.m., after lunch at Emmanuel church. The greetings of the Presbyterian Woman's Missionary Society were given by Mrs. Campbell. A paper on "Giving," written by Miss Ashdown, and read by Mrs A. F. McGregor, was followed by a discussion on the best ways of securing money for missions. Mrs. Cowan, of Ottawa, gave a very complete sketch of the West Central African Mission. Mrs. Wheeler held the attention of her audience while she spoke at length of Life in Eastern Turkey. A cordial vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Wheeler and Miss Gleason, for their enjoyable and profitable address. A thank-offering of $10 was given in aid of the Harpoot Water Fund. The "Question Box" contained several practical questions which were discussed and answered. The meeting closed at 6 p.m., tea being provided in the lecture room of Calvary church.

At a supplementary meeting,

SATURDAY MORNING,

the Committee on Revision of the Constitution, and the Nominating Committee, brought in their reports, which were discussed and acted upon. The results may be seen in the revised constitution and the list of officers. Two new departments were formed, one to secure, copy and circulate, letters from home and foreign missionaries; the other, to organize auxiliaries and mission bands. A discussion on the appropriation of money on hand, after payment of all pledges, was in order. Moved by Mrs. Hall, seconded by Mrs Wood, and carried:

That $200 be sent to the Treasurer of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society for church building in the North-West.

Also moved, seconded and carried:

That a committee, consisting of the President, Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Macallum, prepare the annual report for printing.

The question of continuing Miss Lyman's support for another year, came up for discussion. Three reasons were urged for making this pledge: 1st, it is necessary in order to sustain and centre the interest of auxiliaries; 2nd, woman's work in our African field is not begun; 3rd, the increased number of auxiliaries promises increased income and warrants the expenditure. It was moved by Mrs. D. McGregor, seconded by Mrs. Ashdown, and carried:

That this Woman's Board continue the support of Miss Lyman, at Bombay, for one year.

Collection	5 00
	$6 00

MAITLAND.

Collection	$8 33

MILTON.

W. H. Freeman	$5 00
Hiram Freeman	5 00
	$10 00

NOEL.

Collection	$11 23

ROCKVILLE.

Special Collection	$5 00
Annual Collection	4 00
	$9 00

SELMA.

Collection	$8 00

SOUTH MAITLAND.

Collection	$1 81

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Rev. J. B. Saer	$10 00
Mrs. J. B. Saer	10 00
W. Brinckhoff	3 00
James Woodrow	3 00
C. Foster	1 00
—— ——	2 00
—— ——	1 00
Sundry amounts	3 84
	$33 84

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA.

WINNIPEG.

Arthurs, Mrs	$4 00
Arnold, H. A.	$1 00
Burt, Mrs.	1 00
Buckle, H.	1 00
Benstead, D. H.	1 00
Colbeck, F. W.	2 00
Cannell, Edwd.	1 00
Cozens, T. J.	1 00
Cameron, Henry	1 00
Charlesworth, W. A.	1 00
Dixon, F. M.	1 00
Early, Mrs	1 50
Gravely, T. W.	1 50
Gravely, Thomas	1 00
Hammerton, H. P.	4 00
Huxley, S.	8 00
Holman, B. H	2 00
Jackson, J. W	1 00
Lyon, Jos	2 00
McGill J.	1 00
Macallum, D. R.	1 00
McEwen, Mrs	1 00
McNichol, A. R.	1 00
Mortimore, G. R	1 00
Nicholson, E	1 00
Norman, R	2 00
Prest, Thomas	1 00
Silcox, J. B	25 00
Swan, J. W	1 00
Tillet, T. J.	1 00
Wilkes, C. R	1 00
Waugh, R	2 00
Wickson, A	10 00
Ladies' Aid	10 00
Sunday School	10 00
Young Men's Club	5 00
Sunday collection	40 00
	$150 00
Rev. John Brown, Delorraine	$5 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Rev. W. T. Currie, Benguella, W. C. Africa	$5 00
Rev. W. H. Allworth, Sarnia	5 00
	$10 00

ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

I.—THE LILLIE MEMORAL FUND, $5,000.

(1) Subscribers of $50 and upwards :—

Henry Lyman,	Montreal	$ 100 00
Henry Wilkes, D.D.,	"	50 00
George W. Moss,	"	50 00
Daniel Butters,	"	50 00
R. W. Cowan,	"	50 00
W. R. Ross,	"	50 00
James Baylis,	"	50 00
George S. Fenwick,	Kingston	50 00
Geo. Robertson & Son,	"	50 00
Mrs. Thos. Hendry,	"	50 00
The Colonial Missionary Society, England		1,456 00
Portion of a former fund collected by Dr. Lillie, and invested in Canada Permanent Building Society Stock		1,079 00

(2) Churches by Contributions of less than $50 :—

ONTARIO.

Alton	$ 10 00
Brantford	91 00
Bowmanville	52 00
Burford	17 00
Forest	15 00
Georgetown	40 00
Guelph	150 00
Kingston (in addition to the personal subscriptions above)	110 00
London	33 13
Manilla	8 30
Oro, Rugby, and Vespra	27 00
Paris	100 00
Stratford	18 00
Valetta	7 00
Warwick	22 45
Personal Contributions	25 00

QUEBEC.

Zion Church, Montreal (in addition to the personal sub. above)	$ 442 86
Montreal American Presbyterian Church	130 00
Sherbrooke and Lennoxville	30 00

the pressing need and duty of this Corporation; and without entering into details not necessary or possible in this Report, your Board would suggest two or three lines of action that may help to secure, to some extent at least, the object desired. (1) Next year will be the Jubilee year of this institution—a good old age, as institutions live in this country, and beyond the age of most of its sister theological colleges. The Board recommend that the Jubilee be kept and rendered famous by a well-organized and persistent effort to raise the present Endowment Fund to at least $40,000, exclusive of the Lillie Memorial Fund. (2) They further suggest that some plan be adopted for securing larger and more regular, and more general annual contributions from the churches, to the Current Expense Fund; and, to this end, that a financial secretary be appointed, whose duty it shall be to acknowledge every month in the *Canadian Independent*, remittances received from churches, to stir up laggard givers, in such ways as he may deem meet, and to awaken to a proper sense of duty, whether they be churches or individuals, those who do not contribute at all. It is a shame that there should be found so many in both these categories, who do not recognize the claims the College has upon them for their sympathy and help, but yet are willing to avail themselves of the services of the men whom it is educating. A gentleman will be nominated for this position, eminently fitted by his talents, training and profession, to fill it with efficiency and success. Let there be a systematic contribution from *all* our churches from year to year, and at the time appointed, and the Board are confident that the College would have all the funds it may reasonably need. (3) It will be the object of the Board, as indeed it has always been, to exercise a watchful care over all the departments of expenditure, so as to add to the general income by saving all that can wisely be saved.

The House Committee have given their best attention to keeping the buildings in a state of good repair and comfort; and Miss Pigott, the Matron, has enhanced her good reputation by her assiduous and careful management of domestic affairs. In this connection the Board have to report that, whilst not forgetting the duty of extending hospitality, they have deemed it expedient to enact the following House Rules, which are here presented for the information of all concerned; the ground of their action being, that it will be alike just to the College and acceptable to visitors, that a moderate compensation be made for the entertainment received: "That alumni of the College and other Congregational ministers, desiring temporary accommoda-

LIST OF ALUMNI.

	Name.	*Whence.*	*Date of Leaving.*	*Where.*
1	Ludwick Kribs	*Leamosa*	1841	Died.
2	Stephen King	*Glanford*	1842	Toronto, Ont.
3	Leonard McGlashan	*Pelham*	1842	Died.
4	Samuel Finton	*Glanford*	1842	Presbyterian church.
5	James Vincent	*Coventry, England*	1842	Salem, Mich.
6	Edward Ebbs	*Guelph*	1843	Died
7	William Lumsdem	*Peterborough*	1843	Episcopal church.
8	William F. Clarke	*London, Ont*	1844	Guelph, Ont.
9	Thomas I. Hodgskin	*Guelph*	1845	Episcopal church.
10	Robert Robinson	*Montreal, Zion*	1845	Owen Sound, Ont.
11	John Bowles	*Montreal, Zion*	1845	Died.
12	Norman McLeod	*L'Original*	1844	Humboldt, Iowa.
13	W. H. Allworth	*Southwold*	1845	
14	Thomas Snell	*New York State*	1846	Died.
15	Thomas Seawright	*Toronto, Zion*	1847	
16	Thomas Bayne	*Montreal, 2nd Church*	1846	
17	George C. Wickson	*Toronto, Zion*	1847	
18	William Hay	*arwick*	1847	Scotland, Ont.
19	Henry Lancashire	*Montreal, Zion*	1848	New York City.
20	K. M. Fenwick	*Montreal, 2nd Church*	1847	Montreal, Que.
21	Charles Mackay	*Montreal, 2nd Church*	1846	Died.
22	J. C. Geikie, D. D.	*Moore*	1848	Episcopal church, Eng.
23	F. H. Marling	*Toronto, Zion*	1848	Montreal, Que.
24	A. Wickson, LL.D.	*Toronto, Zion*	1848	London, England.
25	John Wood	*Montreal, Zion*	1851	Ottawa, Ont.
26	John McKillican	*Vankleek Hill*	1851	Montreal S. S. Union.
27	John Fraser	*Stanstead*	1851	Presbyterian church.
28	Robert K. Black	*St. John, N. B.*	1852	Sarnia, Ont.
29	George Ritchie	*St. John, N. B.*	1852	Died.
30	Daniel Macallum	*St. Andrew's, Que*	1852	St. Elmo, Ont.
31	James Hay	*Warwick*	1852	
32	E. A. Noble	*Hamilton*	1852	
33	Enoch Barker	*Sheffield, N. B*	1853	Toronto, Ont.
34	Archibald Burpee	*Sheffield, N. B*	1854	Died.
35	John Campbell	*Indian Lands*	1855	West Arran, Ont.
36	James Boyd	*Montreal, Zion*	1856	
37	Philip Shanks	*Beauharnois*	1856	Died.
38	Malcolm McKillop	*Inverness*	1858	Died.
39	Robert G. Baird	*Lanark*	1857	Lansing, Mich.
40	A. McDonald	*Montreal, 2nd Church*	1857	
41	Robert Hay	*Scotland, Ont.*	1858	Watford, Ont.
42	George A. Rawson	*Lanark*	1859	Los Angelos, Cal.
43	Joseph V. Bryning	*Scotland, Ont.*	1860	
44	John R. Kean	*Inverness, Que*	1860	Presbyterian church.
45	Robert Burchill	*Toronto, Zion*	1861	
46	Robert Brown	*Caledon*	1861	Presbyterian church.
47	John Brown	*Caledon*	1861	" "

The Principles of Sacred Eloquence; the structure and composition of the sermon; pastoral application of truth to the needs of the people; pastoral visiting; care of the churches; Missions and Missionary work.

In Theology—to the Middle Class, daily lectures extending through the whole term, have been delivered upon the following topics: The Existence and the Attributes of God; Revelation; Inspiration of the Bible; The Divinity of Christ; Miracles; The Atonement and its Results, as far as the Doctrine of Regeneration. The remaining subjects of the Redemption that is in Christ Jesus, are to be taken up next session, namely: Adoption, Justification, Sanctification; The Church; the Last Things, including the Salvation of the Righteous, and the Punishment of the Wicked.

There has been no interruption to this course of instruction, scarcely an absence on the part of a student all through the term.

In addition to the regular lectures, I have had a weekly meeting of the whole College for exercises in reading, preaching and general criticism in the service of the pulpit.

May I also report that I have been honored by the attention of the students to the instruction given, and gratified by the progress they have made.

(2) Dr. Cornish reports:—

The Class under my care has met twice a week, with a few exceptions, when illness or important duties elsewhere prevented my attendance. We read in class, chapters X to XVI, of St. Mark's Gospel, and chapters I to VII of the Acts of the Apostles. At the close of the session, an examination of three hours' duration was held, in which Messrs. Macallum, Mason, and Solandt acquitted themselves creditably.

(3) Mr. Burton reports:—

According to agreement, I have completed my engagement as Lecturer on Apologetics at the College. Sickness prevented me going the two weeks consecutively. They have however been given. I gladly bear testimony to the improved tone in the classes, and thereby rejoice in the salutary influence of our respected Principal. May God's blessing continue.

I crowded ten lectures into nine, covering instruction on Butler's Analogy, and the argument of Paley in his "Natural Theology." Also a lecture on each of the following Anti Theistic themes: Agnosticism, Atheism, Materialism and Pantheism. I have left with Dr. Barbour examination questions, to be used at his discretion.

In thus bringing my engagement to a close, I desire to express to you personally the attention received from my former professor, and to express in general my earnest wishes for the prosperity of the College.

Mr. Hill has continued his class, as heretofore, in Elementary Greek, without charge on the funds; for which service the College is under great obligation to him.

The Sessional Examinations were duly held in the work of the several classes, of which the results will be given in Appendix to this Report. The following was the award of Medal and of Exhibitions made on the recommendation of the Faculty: (1) The Calvary Church Medal and Robert Anderson Exhibition of $50, to John P. Gerrie, B.A., Fifth year, Full Course, or Third Theological. (2) The Robert Anderson Exhibition of $30, to Fred. W. Macallum, Fourth year, Full Course. (3) The Robert Anderson Exhibition of $20 was divided equally between Moore and Kenyon, of the First year, Theological Course, as they were practically equal.

The thanks of the Corporation are due to the Rev. Hugh Pedley, for appointing a course of reading in Ecclesiastical History, for the Calvary Church Medal; and conducting the examination therein.

The study of Hebrew in the classes of the University has been made compulsory on all the students of the College, instead of allowing an option between it and French and German. The following students have completed their course of study, and received, at the hands of the Principal, the certificate of the College to that effect, with the best wishes of the Board of Faculty for their future happiness and success: Messrs. J. P. Gerrie, Solandt and Daley.

The closing service of the session was held on April 11th, at which the address was delivered by invitation of your Board by the Rev. Dr. Barnes, of Sherbrooke, to whom the College is under great obligation for this able service, so cheerfully rendered.

The reports were duly received from the Faculty of Arts of the University, of the attendance and standing of the students attending the classes of the same; and, as far as the undergraduates are concerned, they may be regarded as more than usually satisfactory, showing as they do that our men can give themselves to hard and systematic study, and that they can be formidable competitors in the race for academic honors. At the Sessional Examinations of the University, Mr. Hilton Pedley passed for the degree of B.A., with first rank honors and Prince of Wales gold medal, in Mental and Moral Philosophy; Mr. F. W. Macallum passed in Class I for the B.A., ordinary, standing at the head of the list; Mr. Mason stood at the head of Class II,

Geo. Hague	50 00
John Porteous	40 00
Rev. F. H. Marling	30 00
The Sunday School	25 00
G. W. Moss	25 00
Mrs. Fisher	10 00
H. K. Ritchie	10 00
Rev. Dr. Cornish	10 00
R. C. Jamieson	10 00
W. Reid	10 00
Henry Birks	10 00
Chas. Alexander	10 00
J. B. Learmont	10 00
Anonymous small sums	11 45
Wm. Macdougall	6 00
F. Scholes	5 00
S. Huxley	5 00
Mrs. Lay	5 00
James Linton	5 00
Henry Lyman	5 00
Mrs. H. Lyman	5 00
Mr. and Mrs. Todd	5 00
A. Savage	5 00
John Popham	5 00
J. T. Wilson	5 00
Miss Learmont	4 00
Miss J. Learmont	4 00
W. J. Learmont	4 00
E. S. Sharp	4 00
M. S. Baxter	3 00
C. R. Black	3 00
J. M. Browning	3 00
Miss Haight	3 00
A. McArthur	3 00
G. W. Morrison	3 00
Dr. Harrington	2 50
Mrs. H. W. Walker	2 50
Mrs. Wilkes	2 00
Mrs. S. M. Walker	2 00
F. Massey	2 00
C. H. Blackader	2 00
Theo. Lyman	1 00
	$461 70
British Columbia	170 00
Disabled Minister	87 00
	$718 70

(CALVARY).

Rev. E. M. Hill	$10 00
R. W. McLachlan	10 00
Charles Cushing	10 00
T. B. Macaulay	10 00
H. Woodley	3 00
Mr and Mrs. Ritchie	6 00
Miss Middlemiss	2 00
Mrs. Cuthbert	2 00
R. A. Short	2 00
Miss Dougall	2 00
Miss Richardson	2 25
Miss J. Smith	1 25
G. McLeod	1 00
Mr. McDonald	1 70
Small sums	4 85
	$68 25
British Columbia	13 50
Disabled Missionary	12 50
	$94 25

MELBOURNE.

Sunday School	$9 10
Ladies' H. M. S.	7 00
Subscriptions	22 21
	$38 31
British Columbia	5 91
	$44 22

ROCK ISLAND.

Collection	$31 02

SHERBROOKE.

Woman's Board of Missions	$9 00
Walter Blue	5 00
S. J. Foss	5 00
E. Hargrave	5 00
Mrs. W. C. Lyford	5 00
Miss S. A. Mitchell	5 00
A. Paton	5 00
T. J. Tuck	5 00
I. Wood and family	4 00
J. Sangster and family	3 25
Anonymous	3 00
Children's Mission Band	3 00

experience: If one friend in each church would make it his *business* to attend to getting up the subscriptions or collections, the amount received from the churches could easily be doubled.

The investments of the Society are unchanged, and the dividends and mortgage interest continue to yield six per cent. per annum.

In the month of April one of our annuitants died, viz., Mrs. Bucher, and the W. and O. Branch is, therefore, relieved henceforth to the extent of one hundred dollars per annum.

Mrs. Bucher has been on the Fund for twenty-one years. Her husband paid in $80, and up to the time of her death, his widow received in annuities $1,900; a very practical proof of the great value of the insurance this Society affords.

The sum total paid to annuitants up to date is $13,549.

The capital of the Retiring Ministers' Branch shows also a steady, though small increase, and is gradually growing to a respectable sum.

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

FOR WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH—21 CHURCHES.

Montreal, Emmanuel	$282 30	Winnipeg	$ 10 00
Kingston, First	54 00	St. Catharines	10 00
Toronto, Northern	50 00	Sheffield	9 00
Hamilton, Church and Sewing Society	39 00	Maxville and St. Elmo	8 35
Brantford	36 00	Chebogue	5 00
Kingston, Bethel	25 00	Frome and Shedden	5 00
Montreal, Calvary	18 65	Woodstock	5 00
Lanark	16 28	Eaton	5 00
Ottawa	15 00	Granby, S.S	4 00
Embro	11 00	Martintown	3 25
Wiarton	10 00		$621 83

FOR RETIRING MINISTERS' BRANCH—2 CHURCHES.

Toronto, Bond St	$68 73
Danville	15 75
	$84 48
Total Receipts from churches for both branches	$706 31

During the year the Secretary obtained the following new life membership subscriptions:

QUEBEC ASSOCIATION.

COWANSVILLE.

Sunday School	$50 00
Ladies' Missionary Society	42 00
Collection	22 59
	$114 59

DANVILLE.

Collection	$40 00
Subscriptions	30 00
	$70 00
British Columbia	21 00
Disabled Minister	15 00
	$106 00
Received since accounts closed	8 13

EATON.

Rev. Geo. Skinner	$5 00
Hiram French	5 00
Alton Hodge	5 00
Mr. and Mrs. E. Learned	3 00
Geo. Lebourveau	1 00
L. W. French	1 00
J. Goodwin	1 00
J. Lebourveau	1 05
C. Smith	1 00
B. A. Alger	1 00
Mrs. C. A. Bailey	1 00
Mrs. Dawson	1 00
Celia A. Clements	1 00
Small Sums	4 85
	$32 00
British Columbia	6 43
Disabled Missionary	3 41
	$41 84
Received since accounts closed	$0 50

FITCH BAY.

Ayer's Flats	$8 65
Libby's Mills	10 40
Brown's Hill	2 04
Fitch Bay	3 91
Collections at Fitch Bay, Brown's Mills and North Stanstead	16 00
	$41 00

FRANKLIN CENTRE.

No list	$18 50
Disabled Minister	4 50
	$23 00

GRANBY.

S. H. C. Miner	$20 00
Rev. J. I. Hindley	4 00
Mrs. T. Kay	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. McIndoe	2 00
E. T. Miles	2 00
D. M. Mitchell	1 00
R. L. Ball	1 00
Miss Coulson	1 00
O. B. Streeter	1 00
Roeder Bros	1 00
Mrs. T. A. Herrick	75
Small sums	6 70
Six Annual Subscribers	6 00
South Ridge	11 50
Ladies' Aid	6 00
	$65 95
British Columbia	11 00
	$76 95

MONTREAL.

(EMMANUEL).

Collection in Church	$73 00
Balance from Lecture by Dr. Taylor	23 25

Mrs. Dr. Watson, of Chebogue, *President*; Mrs. N. Tupper, of Milton, *Vice-President*; Mrs William McIntosh, of Yarmouth, *Second Vice-President*; Mrs J. G. Burns, Shelburne, *Secretary*; Mrs. C. H. Dearborn, St. John, *Treasurer*; Miss Ida Barker, Sheffield, *Assistant Secretry*.

Voted,—That the thanks of the Society be tendered to Mrs. Capron for her kindness in responding to the invitation to be present at this Annual Meeting, and for her services.

Other votes of thanks were adopted, and routine business transacted.

Voted,—That Rev. Thomas Hall represent this Society at the Annual Missionary Meeting of the Congregational Union, in the evening.

Voted,—That it is desirable to have a whole day for the Annual Meeting of this Association next year; and that it be an open meeting.

Voted,—That the Business Committee have power to engage a missionary from abroad, if they deem it advisable.

Voted,—That Mrs. James Clements be requested to prepare a paper on "Home Missions," for next year; Miss Julia Hilton on "Mission Bands"; and Mrs. J. B. Saer on "Foreign Missions."

Voted,—That this Society apply for a column a month in the *Canadian Independent*.

Voted,—That Miss J. Barker, Mrs. Dudman, Mrs. Burns, and Mrs. Watson, be the Business Committee.

Voted,—That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to Mrs. Watson, the President, for her efficient services.

The meeting then adjourned.

JEDIDAH G. BURNS,
General Secretary, Shelburne, N S.

The following is a statement of the amounts received by the General Treasurer of the Ladies' H. M. S.:

Received last year, previous to Union Meeting, in time for Annual Report, but too late for accounts of Canada Congregational Missionary Society for 1886-7: Chebogue, $8.00; Milton, $23.50; Liverpool, $21.50. Total, $53.00.

Received last year, on account of 1886-7, at time of Annual Meeting; too late for accounts of C. C. M. S.: Sheffield, $19.00; Keswick Ridge, $19.06; Economy, $10.00; Beach Meadows, $6.50. Total, $54.56.

Receipts for 1887-8: St. John, $48.82; Sheffield, $29.00; Chebogue, $30.50; Yarmouth, $25.00; Milton, $23.60; Liverpool, $21.00; Brooklyn, $10.00; Keswick Ridge, $4.00. Total, $201.92.

Received additional to above: Chebogue, $7.00; Notice from Cornwallis of remittance to C. C M. S, $7.00; Keswick Ridge (at Union Meeting), $13.06.

The above named amounts were transmitted to Treasurer of C. C. M. S. The amounts received, subsequent to 1st of June, being in all probability too late for the annual accounts of that Society.

MRS. C. H. DEARBORN,
General Treasurer, St. John, N. B.

THE CANADA

Congregational Foreign Missionary Society.

OFFICERS FOR 1888-89.

President :

B. W. ROBERTSON, Esq., Kingston, Ont.

Vice-President :

REV. DR. WILD, Toronto.

Treasurer :

MR. T. B. MACAULAY, 164 St. James Street, Montreal.

Secretary :

REV. E. M. HILL, M.A., 143 Stanley Street, Montreal.

Directors :

REV. D. MACALLUM,
REV. J. G. SANDERSON,
REV. S. N. JACKSON, M.D.,
REV. A. L. McFADYEN, B.A.,
REV. C. DUFF, M.A.,
REV. JOHN WOOD,
REV. GEORGE FULLER,
REV. HUGH PEDLEY, B.A.,
REV. H. D. HUNTER, M.A.,
REV. H. E. BARNES, D.D.,
REV. F. H. MARLING,
REV. B. W. DAY,
REV. THOMAS HALL,
REV. W. McINTOSH,
REV. D. McGREGOR, M.A.,
REV. J. B. SAER, B.D.,
MR. J. ADAMS,
MR. JAMES GOLDIE,
MR. GEORGE HAGUE,
MR. H. H. LAING,
MR. H. J. CLARK,
MR. J. C. FIELD,
MR. T. LYMAN,
MR. T. MOODIE.

Executive Committee.

REV. D. MACALLUM,
REV. F. H. MARLING,
REV. JOHN WOOD,
MR. GEORGE HAGUE,
MR. T. MOODIE,
MR. T. LYMAN.

WITH THE OFFICERS.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT,

For the year ending May 31st, 1888.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BRANCH.

CASH ACCOUNT.

Received.

Balance from last year	$ 329 12
Premiums from Beneficiaries	186 00
Collections and Subscriptions from Churches	621 83
Donation	5 00
Dividends and Interest	931 14
Mortgage paid	1,100 00
Donation to Capital, Hon. J. Macdonald	100 00
	$3,273 09

Disbursed.

Paid Loan from Congregational College of B. N. A.	$1,000 00
" for Mortgage	1,000 00
" Annuitants	1,005 00
" Interest	115 94
" Expenses	22 53
" Balance	129 62
	$3,273 09

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

Received.

Premiums from Beneficiaries	$ 186 00
Collections and Subscriptions from Churches	621 83
Donation	5 00
Dividends and Interest	931 14
	$1,743 97

Disbursed.

Paid Annuitants	$1,005 00
" Interest on Loans	115 94
" Expenses—Printing, Travelling Expenses, etc	22 53
Balance to Credit on Revenue Account	600 50
	$1,743 97

BALANCE SHEET.

Assets.

540 Shares Montreal Loan and Mortgage Stock, at $25	$13,500 00
Mortgages on City Property	2,000 00
Cash on hand	129 62
	$15,629 62

NOTICE.

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

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

FORM OF A BEQUEST FOR THE COLLEGE.

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

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

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

II. ANNUAL MEETING OF DIRECTORS.

A special meeting of the directors shall be held previous to the annual meeting of the members, to prepare the list of directors, committees and officers for the ensuing year, to be submitted at the annual meeting, as well as to transact any other business connected with the society.

III. ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Missionary sermons shall be preached on the fourth Sunday in June in the churches open to the society's use, and such other services shall be held as the society may from time to time appoint.

IV. NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS.

The number of directors shall not exceed fifty. Directors shall be nominated by district associations, or other Congregational organizations, where associations do not exist in British North America and Newfoundland. All such nominations shall be reported to the meeting of directors immediately preceding the annual meeting of the members, and any deficiency in the nomination list, whether caused by the failure of district associations, or other organizations to nominate or otherwise, shall be supplied by the meeting. Vacancies occurring in the board may be filled at any time.

V. MEETING OF DIRECTORS.

All meetings of the directors, for the transaction of business of the society, shall be held in such places and at such times as may be agreed upon by the directors.

VI. OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

The officers of the society shall be president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. Should any of the offices become vacant during the year, by resignation or otherwise, the board shall have power to elect others to fill the vacancies. Should the president and vice-president be absent from the meeting, the board may elect a chairman for the occasion.

SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Seventh Annual Meeting of the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society was held in Emmanuel Church, on Thursday, June 7th, 1888; the President in the chair.

A hymn was sung, and prayer offered. The Secretary read the minutes of the last annual meeting, and then the report for the year just closed. The Treasurer, Mr. T. B. Macaulay, then read his report; these two were adopted, and ordered to be printed, by motion of Rev. D. McGregor, seconded by Mr. J. Adams.

A short oral report of what had been done by the Woman's Board, was given by Mrs. Macallum, their president. It was followed by an address from Mrs. Wheeler, of Harpoot, Turkey.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was moved by Rev. Geo. Robertson, and duly seconded. The list is printed at the head of this report.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

CHAPTER V.

OF THE STUDENTS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

7. Every student, when admitted into the College, on the expiration of the term of his probation, is required to procure a formal dismissal from the church to which he formerly belonged, and without delay, to obtain admission into a Congregational church in Montreal. Such dismissal and admission must be reported hy 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.

B.A., ordinary; Mr. Daley stood at the head of Class I, and of his year, for the Intermediate Examinations, and Mr. Colclough passed the same examination in Class II, with the prize in Classics; whilst those of the third and first years, with two exceptions, kept their terms.

The Board report these facts because they regard them as creditable to the students, and encouraging to those who wish to see a well-cultured ministry sent forth for the service of the churches.

For many years past, in fact nearly always, a difficulty has been found in beginning the work proper to the College promptly at the time appointed for opening the session. This has arisen mainly from the fact that the entrance and other examinations in McGill College begin at the same time, and extend over the best part of two weeks; and our senior students in different parts of the mission field are tempted, because of this broken period, to continue their work there until such time as they know the work of their classes will really begin. To meet this difficulty, your Board have ordered, that at this present annual meeting, notice of motion be given, which notice is hereby given, to amend section 4, chapter 6 of the By-laws and Regulations, by substituting, "the first week in October" for "the second week in September." They further request your authorization to begin the next session at the date now proposed. In this way, as they think, there will be a real saving of time and of money, with no practical diminution of work; but it must be understood by all concerned, that the classes will be promptly opened, and that attendance at the opening service of the session will be made compulsory on all.

Leaving these matters of a purely academic character, your Board comes to the financial part of their Report; and whilst they are thankful that the finances on the whole are in a favorable condition, they are anxious to be relieved of the stress and strain of straightened circumstances, in order to be free to do more in the way of developing and completing our present educational appliances and equipment. With the advent of our honored Principal a great advance was made in this direction, but no man would rejoice more than he, to see his labors supplemented by those of other permanent competent instructors. Of course this question, like so many others, resolves itself into a question of money; in other words, given the ways and means, and the thing required can be secured. To secure these ways and means and that right early, is, in the opinion of your Board,

NOVA SCOTIA.

Beach Meadows	$ 2 55
Brooklyn	7 25
Chebogue	6 50
Halifax	18 00
Liverpool	15 00
Milton	78 00
Yarmouth	139 00

NEW BRUNSWICK.

St. John	$ 151 00
Sheffield	62 46

II.—THE FIRST ENDOWMENT FUND OF $20,000 FOR CHAIR OF THEOLOGY.

(1) Subscriptions of $50 and upwards :—

W. C. Smillie, Montreal	$5,000 00
Joseph Jackson, Montreal	4,000 00
George Hague, Montreal	900 00
J. S. McLachlan, Montreal	600 00
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lyman, Montreal	500 00
W. P. Carter, Cowansville, Que	500 00
Norman Hamilton, Paris, Ont	500 00
G. S. Fenwick, Kingston, Ont	500 00
George Robertson, sr., Kingston, Ont	500 00
Wm. Somerville, Bristol, England	500 00
R. C. Jamieson, Montreal	400 00
Benjamin Lyman, Montreal	300 00
James Linton, Montreal	250 00
Robert Anderson, Montreal	250 00
J. R. Mills, Tunbridge Wells, England	250 00
Samuel Morley, London, England	250 00
Henry Lee, Manchester, England	200 00
Henry Wilkes, D.D., Montreal	200 00
George H. Wilkes, Brantford, Ont	200 00
Mrs. George Robertson, sr., Kingston, Ont	178 00
S. S. Ward, Hartford, U. S	173 00
L. B. Ward, Morristown, U. S	150 00
J. C. Barton, Montreal	125 00
Albert Spicer, Upper Thames, St., London, England	100 00
Mrs. J. E. Mill, Norwood, London, England	

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III.—THE SECOND ENDOWMENT FUND OF $20,000. FOR CHAIR OF BIBLICAL CRITICISM.

Legacy by the late Thomas Fletcher, of Beverley, Ontario	$1,500 00
Legacy by the late C. H. Peck, Prescott, Ontario	500 00
Subcriptions paid by the Alumni direct, and through Rev. K. M. Fenwick	415 00
The balance, after assigning a portion to the Lillie Memorial Fund, of Canada Permanent Building Society's Stock	206 00
The Friends at Yarmouth, per Rev. A. McGregor	24 00
Sundry items of interest and profit added to capital, say	355 00
Wm. Addie, Sherbrooke, Executor Estate of the late Murdoch Ross	100 00
Mrs. McKeand, in memory of her late husband	200 00
Chas. F. Smithers, Montreal	100 00
Francis Scholes, Montreal	100 00
Amount received for Longue Point lots	100 00
Donation by a Widow and Savings Bank interest	6 01
	$3,606 01

SUBSCRIPTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF DEBT FUND, JUNE, 1887

Montreal, Calvary Church	$45 00
Georgetown	50 00
Yorkville	25 00
Ottawa	25 00
Paris	25 00
Guelph	25 00
Toronto, Zion	50 00
Winnipeg	50 00
Montreal, Emmanuel	200 00
Cobourg and Coldsprings	40 00
Toronto, Western	25 00
St. Catharines	25 00
Oro Churches	25 00
Wiarton	10 00
Athol	10 00
Toronto, Bond Street Choir	25 00
Toronto, Bond Street Church	175 00
Toronto, Parkdale	15 00
Sarnia	20 00
Kingston, First	25 00
Forest	20 00
Kingston, Second	25 00

Also moved, seconded and carried :

That $25 be given to support a pupil in Euphrates College, Harpoot, Turkey, for one year.

Reports of London Branch (unorganized), and Ottawa Branch were read by Miss Wood. Mrs. D. McGregor gave a verbal report of Guelph Branch. The time and place of next annual meeting will be decided by the officers, invitations having been received from Brantford, Ottawa, Guelph and Toronto.

DELEGATES AND REPRESENTATIVES.

Officers.

Mrs. Macallum	St. Elmo, Ont.	Mrs. T. Hall	Kingston, Ont.
Mrs. Wood	Ottawa, Ont.	Miss Dougall	Montreal, Que.
Mrs. D. McGregor	Guelph, Ont.	Mrs. R. W. McLachlan	Montreal, Que.

Delegates from Auxiliaries.

QUEBEC.

Montreal, Calvary	Mrs. McKillican, Miss Richardson.
" "	Mrs. Lamb, Miss Arthur.
" "	Mrs. McGarry.
Melbourne	Mrs. Browne.
Danville	Miss Curtis.
Granby	Mrs. McIndoe.

ONTARIO.

Toronto, Western Church	Mrs. A. F. McGregor.
" Bond Street Church	Mrs. Currie.
" Zion Church	Mrs. Ashdown.
" Hazelton Avenue Church	Mrs. Wightman.
Ottawa	Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. R. W. Cowan.
"	Mrs. Lamb.
Maxville	Mrs D. McDougall, Mrs. Munro.
"	Miss E. C. McDougall, Miss Wood.
Martintown	Mrs. H. P. Christie, Miss McDermid.
St. Elmo	Miss Macallum.

Delegates from Mission Bands.

Toronto, Northern Church	Miss Clark.
Montreal, Calvary Church	Miss Maud Mitchell.
Maxville	Miss J. McDougall.

Representatives of Churches.

Sherbrooke	Mrs. Barnes.
Montreal, Emmanuel	Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. C. T. Williams.
Cowansville	Mrs. McClure.
Vankleek Hill	Miss A. McKillican.
St. Catharines	Miss Tasker.

Fraternal Delegates.

Mrs. Savage.....Vermont. Miss Gleason.....Vermont.

Speaker—Mrs. Wheeler, Harpoot, Eastern Turkey.

Hon. F. E. Gilman	5 00
Dr. Wanless	5 00
Thos. Costen	5 00
A. Douglas	5 00
Theo. Lyman	2 00
	$552 00

MONTREAL.
(CALVARY CHURCH.)

Collections	$60 75

MONTREAL.

Robt. Anderson	$100 00
Thos. Moodie	5 00
	$105 00

NORTH STANSTEAD.

Collection	$5 31

ST. ANDREW'S.

Collection	$16 00

STANSTEAD.

Congregational Society	$15 00

SHERBROOKE.

E. Hargrave	$5 00
A. Paton	5 00

J. S. Mitchell	3 00
N. Dimming	2 00
C. H. Fletcher	2 00
H Hubbard	2 00
A. S. Hurd	2 00
Mrs. R Mitchell & family	2 00
J. C. McCubbin	2 00
Emma Nourse	2 00
T. J. Tuck	2 00
S. W. Jenckes	1 50
M. McKechnie	1 25
A. Alexander	1 00
Mrs. Barlow	1 00
Thos. Cowan	1 00
L. Farwell	1 00
S. B. Jenckes	1 00
Mrs. Lyford	1 00
Mrs. Hodge	1 00
S. Tuck	1 00
J. McNicol	1 00
J. Maw	50
Anonymous	3 00
	$44 25

WATERVILLE.

Collections	$5 65

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

BADDECK.

Collection	$5 00

BROOKLYN.

Collection	$4 00

CHEBOGUE.

Collection	$9 00

CORNWALLIS.

Rev. J. Whitman	$10 00

ECONOMY.

Collection	$6 00

KINGSPORT.

J. N. Cox	$1 00
Capt. Blagdon	5 00
Thomas Bigelow	1 00
Ebenezer Cox	1 00
J. W. Cox	1 00
Small sums	3 75
Mrs. S. O'Brien (per J. W. Cox)	1 00
	$13 75

LIVERPOOL.

Mrs. Williams	$1 00

THE CANADA
Congregational Woman's Board of Missions.

OFFICERS FOR 1888-89.

President:

MRS. D. MACALLUM, St. Elmo, Ont.

Vice-Presidents:

MRS. WILKES, Montreal, Que.
MRS. WOOD, Ottawa, Ont.
MRS. D. McGREGOR, Guelph, Ont.
MISS DOUGALL, Montreal, Que.

Corresponding Secretary:

MISS H. WOOD, Maxville, Glengarry Co., Ont.

Home Secretary:

MRS. T. HALL, 46 William Street, Kingston, Ont.

Foreign Secretary:

MRS. R. W. COWAN, 143 Nepean Street, Ottawa, Ont.

Treasurer:

MRS. J. BURTON, 56 Charles Street, Toronto, Ont.

DEPARTMENT FOR THE DIFFUSION OF MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

Superintendents:

ONTARIO:
MRS. TOLLER, 151 John Street, Toronto.

QUEBEC:
MRS. C. T. WILLIAMS, 26 Chomedy Street, Montreal.

DEPARTMENT FOR ORGANIZATION OF AUXILIARIES AND MISSION BANDS.

Superintendents:

ONTARIO:
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QUEBEC:
MRS. D. MACALLUM, St. Elmo, Ont.

DEPARTMENT FOR CIRCULATION OF MISSIONARY LETTERS.

Superintendent:

MISS L. CURRIE, 80 Gerrard Street, Toronto, Ont.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

AYER'S FLATS.

Collection	$7 68
Rev. L. P. Adams	6 09
	$13 77

BROWN'S HILL.

Collection	$2 61

DANVILLE.

E. C. Goodhue	$5 00
Rev. J. G. Sanderson	2 00
James Riddle	1 00
Lewis Morrill	1 00
Collection	41 00
	$50 00

EATON.

Collection	$16 22

FITCH BAY.

Collection	$8 77

FRANKLIN CENTRE.

Collection	$12 00

GRANBY.

Collections	$67 00
Willing Workers	5 00
	$72 00

INVERNESS.

Friends	$4 00

LIBBY'S MILLS.

Collection	$10 42

MELBOURNE.

Collection	$20 00

MONTREAL.

(EMMANUEL CHURCH.)

Geo. Hague	$50 00
R. C. Jamieson	50 00
Rev. F. H. Marling	30 00
Rev. Dr. Cornish	25 00
John Porteous	25 00
G. B. Burland	25 00
F. Scholes	20 00
G. W. Moss	20 00
Rev. Dr. Barbour	20 00
Wm. Reid	15 00
A. Moir	15 00
Chas. Gurd	10 00
John Popham	10 00
Chas. R. Black	10 00
H. K. Ritchie	10 00
John Mackintosh	10 00
J. B. Learmont	10 00
Wm. McLachlan	10 00
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Mrs. Fisher	10 00
James Linton	10 00
J. T. Wilson	10 00
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James Morgan, jr	5 00
Dr. Gurd	5 00
Miss Learmont	5 00
Miss J. F. Learmont	5 00
W. J. Learmont	5 00
F. Massey	5 00
E. C. Gurney & Co	5 00
Henry Sanders	5 00
H. W. Walker	5 00
Dr. Blackader	5 00

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EDGEWORTH.

Henry Burgess	$1 00
James Burgess	1 00
Charles Hartley	1 00
Theo. Burgess	1 00
Small sums	7 25
John Burgess	1 75
Disabled Minister	5 00
	$18 00

FOREST.

Collection	$10 80
For Superintendent's Travelling Expenses	3 00
	$13 80

FROME.

Disabled Minister	$4 47

GARAFRAXA.

Peter Bayne	$2 00
Peter S. Martin	3 00
Rev. J. C. Wright	3 00
Geo. Gerrie	1 00
J. McKee	1 00
Edward Smith	1 00
Wilson Ransom	1 00
Geo. Martin	1 00
Smaller sums	7 40
Mrs. Wm. Boyle	1 00
Disabled Minister	4 60
	$26 00

GUELPH.

The Misses Grundy	$6 00
Mission Sunday School	3 36
James Goldie	3 00
Miss Armstrong	5 00
E. Passmore	4 00
J. W. Lyon	2 00
Rev. D. McGregor	2 00
John Goldie	2 00
Miss Hodgskin	2 00
Mr. Watson	1 00
Robert Howell	1 00
A. Goodeve	1 00
Miss M. Roberts	1 25
Mr. Bailey	1 00
Maud Fairbank	1 00
R. Goldie	1 00
G. H. Skinner	1 00
C. Grundy	1 00
Mrs. Boult	1 00
Miss Gausby	1 00
Mrs. Tatham	1 00
Chas. Crowe	1 00
Small sums	10 86
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British Columbia	6 00
Disabled Minister	14 00
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HOWICK AND TURNBERRY

Disabled Missionary	$12 83

HAMILTON.

No list	$200 00
British Columbia	110 00
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KELVIN.

Collection	$2 65

KINCARDINE.

Rev. C. L. Ross	$3 00
John Sheane	1 00
Mrs. Sheane	1 00
John McKinnon	1 00
Donald McKinnon	1 00
Archie Bell	1 00
Murdoch Bell	1 00
Donald Ferguson	1 00
Archie McFadyen	1 00
Hector McFadyen	1 00
Small sums	2 00
	$20 00
Collection	7 50
	$27 50

A motion to secure incorporation for this Society was made by Rev. S. N. Jackson, and duly seconded and carried.

The following resolution was presented by Rev. Dr. Wild:

"Whereas this Society has had opportunity, through its missionary, to know of the terrible havoc wrought in Africa by the rum exported thither by permission of civilized nations:

"*Resolved*,—That we use our influence to secure the suppression of such exportation; and petition the proper authorities to that effect."

This resolution was unanimously adopted.

The meeting then closed with prayer, and benediction from Rev. W. E. Barnes, D. D.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The seventh year of the life of the Society is closed, and the officers now give account of the discharge of trusts placed in their hands. The duties assigned were to secure, if possible, a man to go with his wife, to assist Mr. Currie;

The settlement of the relation of the Woman's Board to the Foreign Society;

To increase the missionary interest, by literature and other means;

To manage the finances of the Society;

To decide the question of assuming the support of Miss Lily Lyman, who went to Bombay last autumn,

To direct Mr. Currie's movements in Africa.

As to the first an appeal has been made, and followed up during the year, but no couple have been found ready to go.

As to the Woman's Board, we do not feel it wise to cultivate it as an independent society, but as auxiliary to the Home and Foreign societies, and they have expressed their assent to that.

DEVELOPMENT OF INTEREST IN FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The duty of this society is not merely to collect money, but also to foster the spirit of loyalty to the world's Saviour. To accomplish this, we have tried to put before the churches information about the needs of heathen nations suffering from the evils of superstition, slave trade, and wretched ignorance. It is the duty of our churches to reach with the gospel every soul for whom Christ died. An eager desire for this will make any Christian more useful in his home church-relations, and will call out his aid when needy fields on Canadian soil are brought to his notice. We do not feel the sentiment a just one which

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Disabled Missionary	$ 2 53

STRATFORD.

Collection	$10 00

TILBURY CENTRE.

Richard Carless	$1 00
Susie Turner	1 00
J. L. Colton	1 50
Small sums	3 50
	$7 00

WINGHAM.

No list	$27 00
Disabled Minister	8 00
	$35 00

WOODSTOCK.

No list	$75 00

ONTARIO CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

ALTON.

Subscriptions	$17 15
Collection	2 07
For supply	6 00
	$25 52

BARRIE.

No list	$21 00

BOWMANVILLE.

Rev. W. H. Warriner	$5 00
Mrs. W. H. Warriner	5 00
Mission boxes	11 48
Collection	2 72
	24 20
Disabled minister	6 00
	$30 20

CRESWELL.

No list	$15 05

EDGAR.

No list	$46 11
Disabled minister	14 09
	$60 20

GEORGETOWN.

Disabled minister	$11 00
British Columbia	57 25
	$68 25

HUMBER SUMMIT.

Ladies' Aid Society	$10 00

MANILLA.

No list	$6 00
Disabled minister	6 31
	$12 31

NEWMARKET.

Disabled minister	$2 00

PINE GROVE.

W. A. Wallis	$2 00
William Jeffery	2 00
James Watson	1 50
David Witherspoon	1 00
Misses Stevenson	1 00
Small Sums	3 61
Collection	2 79
Disabled minister	8 00
	$22 30

RUGBY.

Wm. Johnston	$4 00
Mr. & Mrs. Chas. Harvie	2 00
John C. Harvie	1 00
Donald Harvie	1 00
Chas. L. Harvie	1 00
John Johnston	1 00
John Langman	1 00
Miss A. J. Harvie	1 00

CONSTITUTION.

I. NAME.

THE CANADA CONGREGATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

II. OBJECT.

To spread the knowledge of the gospel among the heathen and other unenlightened people.

III. MEMBERS.

Persons subscribing $2 annually, ministers and other representatives of congregations contributing $10 annually, shall be members. Every benefactor making a donation of $40 at one time, shall be a life member.

IV. ANNUAL MEETING.

A general meeting of the society shall be held annually to appoint officers and directors, receive reports, audit accounts, and to deliberate on any measures which may promote the object of the society. At such meetings all matters shall be determined by the majority of the members present.

V. COMMITTEES.

Directors are empowered to subdivide into committees for managing funds, making reports, and such like, but no proceedings of the committee shall be valid till ratified at an ordinary meeting of the board. Not less than three directors, exclusive of the officers of the society, shall constitute a meeting of the board for the despatch of business. The treasurer and secretary shall be, ex-officio, entitled to meet and vote with the directors of the society.

VI. FUNDS.

All funds arising from donations, legacies, subscriptions, collections, or otherwise, shall be lodged by the treasurer, as soon as collected, with the bankers of the society.

VII. POWER TO REVISE.

The foregoing regulations shall be subject to such modifications as the members of the society, at their annual meeting, may from time to time think proper.

BY-LAWS.

I. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the members may be held at the same time and place as the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec. All arrangements for the meeting shall be made by the directors.

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

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

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

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

CHAPTER III.

OF THE PROFESSORS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

CHAPTER IV.

OF CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION.

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

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

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, and for Foreign Missionary service.

3. Contributors of two dollars annually to the funds of the College are members of the Corporation. A contributor in arrears one year, shall not be qualified to vote at the meetings of the Corporation, or to exercise his other rights of membership. The Treasurer's subscription lists shall be taken as evidence of contribution.

4. Churches contributing for the previous year to the current expense fund of the College, the sum of ten dollars, or upwards, may be represented at the meeting of the Corporation by one delegate for each church; those contributing twenty-five dollars, or upwards, for the previous year, by two delegates; and those contributing fifty dollars, or upwards, for the previous year, by three delegates.

5. All who contribute, or may have contributed, at any one time, the sum of two hundred dollars, or upwards, not including annual subscriptions, to any one or more of the objects set forth on page 4, or to any other special object or objects, shall be life members of the Corporation.

6. A regular meeting of the Corporation is held annually, for the reception of the report of the Directors, the election of a new Board, according to provision hereinafter named, and the transaction of other necessary business.

7. The annual meeting is held at the same time and place as that of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec.

8. Special meetings of the Corporation may be held for the transaction of special business, at the call of the Board of Directors, or on a requisition to that effect to the Chairman of the Board of Directors, signed by at least twenty members of the Corporation; provided always, that no such special meetings be held without one month's public notice thereof in an accredited newspaper in Toronto and Montreal, and also in the *Canadian Independent*.

CHAPTER II.

OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. The Board of Directors is elected from members of the Corporation, and consists of a Chairman, Treasurer, one or more Secretaries, and twenty-five members. Five members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

2. Five members of the Board shall retire annually, in rotation, but shall be eligible for re-election.

3. The powers and duties of the Board are:

(1) The management of the finances of the College. (2) The appointment

Liabilities.

Loan from Retiring Ministers' Branch	$ 3,000 00
Balance, being net Capital	12,629 62
(Net Capital, 1887, $11,929.12).	$15,629 62

RETIRING MINISTERS' BRANCH.

Received.

Balance from last year	$ 1 72
Premiums from Beneficiaries	61 00
Collections from Churches	84 48
Dividends and Interest	176 00
	$323 20

Disbursed.

Expenses—Printing, Travelling Expenses, etc.	$ 18 00
Balance on hand	305 00
	$323 20

Assets, R. M. Branch.

56 Shares Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company Stock, at $25	$1,400 00
Loan to Widows' and Orphans' Branch	3,000 00
Cash on hand	305 20
(Assets, 1887, $4,401.72).	$4,705 20

CHAS. R. BLACK,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct,

(Signed), WM. MACDOUGALL, J. B. LEARMONT, *Auditors.*

Montreal, May 31st, 1888.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MAY, 1888.

CASH.

To balance in hand, as per Statement, 31st May, 1887	$66	54
" Received from Sale of Stock	10	00
" Subscriptions to Canadian Independent from January 1st, 1888, inclusive	395	07
" Received from sale of Year Book, 1887-88	161	12
" " for Printing Reports in Year Book	366	68
" " " " (1886-87)	118	00
" " Advertising in Year Book	42	00
" " Sale of Sunday School Papers	358	17
" " " Hymn Books	23	31
" " " Certificates, Pamphlets, etc	3	65
	$1544	54

CONTRA.

By paid Printing Canadian Independent, 5 months	$296	86
" " " (for 1887)	33	00
" Office Expenses and Sundries C. I.	97	76
" Ontario Bank, on account of C. I. notes ($200 and $100), in favor of W. R. Climie	225	00
" Interest on Renewals	11	95
" Printing Year Book, 1887-88	302	25
" Office Expenses in connection with Year Book	167	06
" Congregational Publishing Society, Boston	272	51
" P. Trebilcock	1	00
" The Copp Clark Co	28	01
" Advertising Meeting of Corporation, 1887	4	30
" Office Expenses of Book Room Department	48	04
" Expenses of Secretary-Treasurer and Directors attending Meetings	15	55
Balance on hand	41	25
	$1544	54

To balance brought down, $41.25.

The above balance of $41.25 is, according to individual audited statements of Editor of Canadian Independent and Year Book, and Secretary-Treasurer, to be apportioned as follows :—

Balance in hands of Editor of Year Book	$48	49
" " Secretary-Treasurer	25	31
	$73	81
Balance due Editor of Canadian Independent	32	55
	$41	25

Bowmanville, May 31st, 1888.

W. HENRY WARRINER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.

DAVID HIGGINS, *Auditor.*

Toronto, 1st June, 1888.

MAXVILLE.

P. J. McEwen	$1 00
M. McDougall	1 00
Miss E. McDougall	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McDougall	5 00
A Friend	1 00
J. W. Kennedy	5 00
D. T. Munro	1 00
J. P. McDougall	1 00
D. A. McEwen	1 00
J. J. McEwen	2 50
Miss H. G. Macallum	2 00
Miss H. Wood	1 50
J. J. Robertson	1 00
J. B. McKillican	1 00
Mrs. D. McEwen	1 00
A. P. McDougall	1 00
N. McColl	2 00
P. P. McDougall	1 00
Thos. McEwen	1 00
A Friend	5 00
J. A. McEwen	1 00
Collection	5 00
	$42 00
British Columbia	12 00
	$54 00

MARTINTOWN.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Christie	$10 00
A. F. McDermid	5 00
H. F. McDermid	4 00
H. Christie, sr.	3 00
Archibald Campbell	1 00
F. McIntosh	1 00
Ladies' Auxiliary	4 20
Collection	1 80
	$30 00
British Columbia	5 23
	$35 23

OTTAWA.

No list	$50 00
Special to Superintendent	50 00
	$100 00
British Columbia	10 00
Disabled Minister	10 00
	$120 00

ST. ELMO.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Sinclair	$6 00
Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Sinclair	4 00
D. Kennedy and family	3 00
Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McDougall	5 00
D. McEwen	2 00
P. Munro	6 00
Duncan A. McDougall	1 00
Rev. D. Macallum	10 00
Mrs. Munro	2 00
Collection	1 75
	$40 75

VANKLEEK HILL.

James Boyd	$6 00
A Friend	1 00
H. Layt	5 00
J. R. Maclaurin	1 00
W. E. McKillican	1 00
Finlay McKillican	2 00
Small sums	3 85
	$18 85

HAWKESBURY.

Collection	$5 30

CONGREGATIONAL
PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY.

OFFICERS OF THE BOARD FOR 1888-89.

Chairman:

CHARLES ALEXANDER, Esq.

Vice-Chairman:

R. C. JAMIESON, Esq.

Secretary-Treasurer:

CHARLES R. BLACK, Esq., 65 St. Peter Street, Montreal.

Directors:

GEORGE HAGUE.
C. CUSHING.
B. MACAULAY.
JAMES LINTON.
H. W. WALKER.
F. SCHOLES.
CHAS. GURD.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

HELD IN EMMANUEL CHURCH, MONTREAL, JUNE 8TH, 1888, AT 5 P.M.

On motion, Mr. B. W. Robertson, of Kingston, was appointed Chairman, and Mr. F. W. Macallum, Minute Secretary.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. G. Sanderson, after which the Roll was called.

The Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. C. R. Black, read the annual report of the Board of Directors, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved,—That the thanks of the Society be given to the Board of Directors for last year, and that the following gentlemen do constitute the Board for the current year: Messrs. C. Alexander, R. C. Jamieson, H. W. Walker, C. Cushing, T. B. Macaulay, C. R. Black, Geo. Hague, Chas. Gurd, F. Scholes, Jas. Linton.

The minutes having been taken as read, the meeting then adjourned, after the benediction.

(Signed), B. W. ROBERTSON, *Chairman*.
F. W. MACALLUM, *Minute Secretary*.

(4) Dr. Jackson reports :

I have given a course of twenty-one lectures during the session. They embraced the history of Congregationalism in England, from the time of Archbishop Laud to the Victorian era. Also the origin and development of Congregationalism in Scotland, Ireland and Wales. Special attention was devoted to the efforts of Laud to establish Anglo-Catholicism in Great Britain and America ; to the lives of Cromwell and other leading Congregationalists, in the Long Parliament, in the army of the Commonwealth, in the Westminster Assembly of Divines, and in the churches ; to the struggle for civil and religious freedom ; the laws of repression under which our fathers suffered ; their efforts to educate ministers and maintain their churches in secret ; the Acts of Indulgence granted by the Kings ; the attempts made by the Church of England and Presbyterians to bring about Church Comprehension, and the gradual attainment of complete civil and religious liberty. The results of the examination, which on the whole was very satisfactory, will be found in their usual place.

(5) Mr. Warriner reports :

My lectures to the students during the four weeks allotted to me last session, were upon the Origin and Constitution of the Pentateuch.

The subject was introduced by a historical *resumè* of its discussion from the days of Philo and Josephus, until the present. In reviewing the present aspect of the question, special care was taken to distinguish the views held by such representative men as Profs. Julius Wellhausen, Franz Delitzsch, Robertson Smith, S. S. Driver, E. C. Bissell, and W. Henry Green.

The class then entered upon a personal examination of the subject, taking up, 1st. Those scattered texts which might seem to imply a later origin than Moses, and a different location from the wilderness. 2nd. The Documentary theory,especially as that is used by such critics as Prof. R. Smith to establish a late origin. 3rd. A comparison of the religious and ethical principles of the Pentateuch with the ancient practices and principles of the Jews, as shown in the earlier historians and prophets.

The series was brought to a close by a lecture setting forth the positive argument.

Of course it was impossible, in the limited time at our disposal, to do absolute justice to every part of so great a theme ; but we were able to open up the matter fairly, and somewhat comprehensively, and I trust the lectures have helped to establish the faith of the class on an intelligent basis, and to manifest the worthless and utterly unsatisfactory character of the modern reconstruction of the history of Israel, attempted by the critics of the Wellhausen school.

I have only to add, that the conduct and industry of the students greatly increased the pleasure of the work.

Mrs. S. J. Foss	3 00
M. McKechnie	2 50
Anonymous	2 00
N. Dinning	2 00
L. Farwell	2 00
G. H. Howard	2 00
H. Hubbard	2 00
A. S. Hurd	2 00
Miss L A. Hurd	2 00
J. S. Mitchell	2 00
Gordon Nurse	2 00
Miss M. Ritchie	2 00
Hon. J. G. Robertson	2 00
H. C. Wilson	2 00
Miss M. Dickenson	1 50
Mrs. and Miss Eadie	1 50
Mr. & Mrs. S. B. Jenckes	1 50
J. McCaw	1 50
W. Barlow	1 00
Thos. Cowan	1 00
J. Fales	1 00
C. H. Fletcher	1 00
Miss E. M. Foss	1 00
Mrs. L. M. Foss	1 00
A. H. Foss	1 00
Mrs. H. Hubbard	1 00
S. W. Jenckes	1 00
J. C. McCubbin	1 00
Mrs. R Mitchell	1 00
Miss J. M. Mitchell	1 00
J. E. Mitchell	1 00
M. Read	1 00
Miss E. Sutton	1 00
J. G. Walton	1 00
H. Wilson	1 00
W. R. Webster	1 00
W. H. Wilson	1 00
Collection and small sums.	7 25
	$119 00
British Columbia	65 00
Disabled minister	8 00
	$192 00

ST. ANDREWS.

No List.	$14 50

ULVERTON.

Sunday School	$ 5 50
Collection	3 74
	$9 24

WATERVILLE.

Rev. George Purkis	$ 3 00
James McIntosh	1 00
John McIntosh	1 00
Mrs. Wm. Johnson	1 00
George Gale	1 00
A. H. Gale	1 00
F. Gale	1 00
R. Freeland	1 00
Mrs. R. Freeland	1 00
Dr. G. Powers	1 00
Small Sums	20 00
Ladies Aid	10 00
Collection	5 00
	48 00
British Columbia	6 00
	$54 00

NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

BADDECK.

Collection.	$6 00

BROOKLYN.

Subscriptions	5 25
Ladies' H. M. S.	10 00
	$15 25

BEACH MEADOWS.

Subscriptions	$5 80
Ladies' H. M. S.	10 00
	$16 50

CHEBOGUE.

Ladies' H. M. S.	$38 50

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE CONGREGATIONAL PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY, FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST MAY, 1888.

That the Society is becoming venerable, is being made practically apparent to the Directors, by the fact that several of the original beneficiaries have, during the past year, paid up thirty annual subscriptions, and are, therefore, now relieved from further payments.

In view of this fact, however, the Board regret to have to record that, for the last three years, there have been no additions to the Beneficiary membership; our younger ministers are apparently disinclined to take advantage of the privileges offered by the Society. Doubtless, this is to be accounted for largely by the unfortunate loss of capital sustained by the Fund in 1883, when doubts were felt as to the ability of the Society to meet its engagements to the annuitants. However, the fact deserves notice, that among the churches, the Society has warm friends, who, in its necessity, rallied to its help, and enabled it to keep promptly all its engagements; while each year since the catastrophe, we have also been enabled to add something to the capital.

The Directors therefore think that the time has now arrived when they can urge our young ministers to become connected with the Fund, giving, as it does, much greater advantages than can be obtained at the same outlay from any other species of insurance.

From the financial statements presented herewith, it will be observed that the net capital of the Widows' and Orphans' Branch is now $12,629, being an increase of $700 over last year. Included in this increase is a sum of one hundred dollars, being a free donation to capital account from Hon. John Macdonald, of Toronto, and for which the sincere thanks of the Society are due.

The subscribing churches are about the same in number as last year, though the amount subscribed is somewhat larger; but the increase is mainly from Emmanuel Church, Montreal. And here let the Secretary make a suggestion, taken from personal

(5) Churchill Moore, church at Economy, Nova Scotia, to the Theological Course.

(6) J. H. P. Kenyon, from the church at Newtown, N. S. W., to the Theological Course.

Two other candidates, on the ground of youth and inadequate preparation, were recommended to withdraw their applications for a season.

The Sessional Roll stood as follows, at the close of the Session:—

(1) J. P. Gerrie, B.A.	Fifth	Year,	Full	Course.
(2) A. P. Solandt, B.A.	"	"	"	
(3) F. W. Macallum	Fourth	"	"	
(4) H. E. C. Mason	"	"	"	
(5) Hilton Pedley	"	"	"	
(6) J. Swanson	Third	"	"	
(7) Frank W. Read	"	"	"	
(8) W. F. Colclough	Second	"	"	
(9) James Daley	"	"	"	
(10) Galen H. Craik	First	"	"	
(11) Wm. T. Gunn	"	"	"	
(12) D. S. Hamilton	"	"	"	
(13) Frank Davey	Third	"	Theological	Course.
(14) Wilberforce Lee	Second	"	"	"
(15) W. N. Bessey	"	"	"	"
(16) Jas. N. Austin	"	"	"	"
(17) W. J. Watt	"	"	"	"
(18) Churchill Moore	First	"	"	"
(19) J. H. P. Kenyon	"	"	"	"

In all, nineteen students—the largest number ever on the books in the same Session. Mr. Swanson, for special reasons satisfactory to the Board, obtained leave of absence for the whole Session, which he spent in supplying the church at Coldsprings; it being understood that he resumes his studies next Session. Such interruption in the regular course of the student's work is to be greatly deprecated, and not allowed without grave cause therefor; and the Board wish it to be understood that they do not encourage the following of such a precedent.

The Reports of the several Professors and Lecturers, of the work done by them in class, are here presented:—

(1) Principal Barbour reports:—

The regular and daily attendance of the Senior Class in Homiletics and Pastoral Theology. In this department, the lectures embrace:

	Name.	*Whence.*	*Date of Leaving.*	*Where.*
48	Benjamin W. Day	*Brantford*	1861	Lanark village, Ont.
49	G. Strasenburg, M.D.	*Kingston*	1861	Lima, N. Y.
50	John G. Sanderson	*Kingston*	1862	Danville, Que.
51	J. Malcolm Smith	*Scotland, Ont.*	1862	Olivet, Mich.
52	Charles Duff, M.A	*Toronto, Bond-st*	1862	Parkdale, Ont.
53	Alexander McGregor.	*Manilla*	1862	Pawtucket, R. I.
54	Richard Lewis.	*Sarnia*	1866	
55	James Douglas	*Toronto, Bond-st*	1865	Presbyterian church.
56	J. A. R. Dickson	*Brantford*	1865	" "
57	Richard T. Thomas	*Toronto, Zion*	1865	Chiselhurst, Eng.
58	S. N. Jackson, M.D.	*Brome*	1866	Kingston, Ont.
59	E. S. Lyman, B.C.L.	*Montreal, Zion*	1866	
60	J. I. Hindley, M.A	*Eramosa*	1869	Granby, Que.
61	Wm. M. Peacock	*Lanark*	1869	Died.
62	D. McGregor, M.A.	*Manilla*	1872	Guelph, Ont.
63	R. W. Wallace, B.D.	*Markham*	1872	Detroit, Mich.
64	W. H. A. Claris.	*Frome, Ont.*	1872	Frome, Ont.
65	D. D. Nighswander	*Stouffville*	1872	Died.
66	John Allworth, M.A.	*Paris*	1873	Oxford, Mich.
67	Joseph Griffith	*Jamesville, N. Y.*	1873	Sandy Creek, Mich.
68	Edwin D. Silcox.	*Southwold*	1873	Embro, Ont.
69	William McIntosh.	*Rugby*	1874	Yarmouth, N. S.
70	Jas R. Black, B.A	*Montreal, Zion*	1874	Barrie, Ont.
71	Andrew O. Cossar.	*London, Ont*	1876	St. Johns, Mich.
72	John B. Silcox.	*Frome, Ont.*	1876	San Diego, Cal.
73	John F. Malcolm.	*Scotland, Ont.*	1877	Hammond, Wis.
74	Jacob W. Cox, B.A	*Cornwallis, N.S*	1877	Noel, N. S.
75	Hugh Pedley, B.A.	*Coldsprings, Ont*	1877	Winnipeg, Man.
76	W. H. Warriner, B.D	*Toronto, Northern*	1878	Bowmanville, Ont.
77	A. F. McGregor, B.A.	*Manilla*	1878	Toronto West, Ont.
78	George Willett.	*Scotland, Ont.*	1878	Lugonia, Cal.
79	James C. Wright	*Howick, Ont*	1878	Belwood, Ont.
80	A. L. McFadyen, B.A	*Manilla*	1879	Kingston, Ont.
81	William Ewing, B.A.	*Melbourne*	1879	Jamestown, Dakota.
82	J. B. Saer, B.D	*St Johns, Nfld*	1880	St. John, N. B.
83	Charles E. Bolton.	*Bolton, Ont*	1881	Wiarton, Ont.
84	John McKinnon.	*Kincardine, Ont*	1881	Pilot Mound, Man.
85	Geo. Robertson, B.A.	*Douglas, Ont.*	1882	Toronto North.
86	George Skinner	*Melbourne, Que.*	1882	Eaton, Que.
87	George Fuller.	*Brooklyn, U. S.*	1883	Brantford, Ont.
88	W. H. Way.	*Toronto, Zion.*	1883	
89	A. W. Richardson, B.A.	*Montreal, Calvary*	1884	South Caledon, Ont.
90	A. W. Gerrie, B.A.	*Garafraxa*	1885	Portage la Prairie, Man.
91	W. T. Currie, B.A.	*Toronto, Zion*	1885	Bihe, W. Cen. Africa.
92	Jas. W. Pedley, B.A.	*Coldsprings, Ont*	1885	Vancouver, B. C.
93	George Whyte.	*St. Johns, Nfld*	1885	
94	J. K. Unsworth, B.A	*Georgetown, Ont*	1887	Paris, Ont.
95	John O. Hart.	*Margaree, N. S*	1887	
96	Alex. McLeod.	*Embro, Ont*	1887	Listowel, Ont.
97	Jas. McAdie.	*St. Johns, Nfld*	1887	St. Andrew's, Que.
98	John P. Gerrie, B.A.		1888	Stratford, Ont.
99	Andrew P. Solandt, B.A.		1888	Brigham, Que.
100	Frank Davey		1888	Alton, Ont.

and so they are willing to fall in with any denomination that will occupy the field. It has been too often said that we are not needed in this country, on the ground that the Presbyterians and Methodists are preaching in almost every village. Well, I may say that, as far as I can see, there is not much truth in the statement. There is room enough for us, and for many more. The villages are few in number here ; the rural districts are very large and numerous, and before long villages and towns will rise in places where there is nothing now but prairie. When I came here last fall, the Presbyterians, Methodists, and Episcopalians had ministers stationed in this neighborhood, and while I was away east the Baptists got one. When I preached my first five or six sermons, I could look upon only seven families which were really adherents of our denomination ; at present I may safely say that I can look upon forty or more that are adherents, and in due time we hope to see them members in good standing in our church. At present we have the largest congregation in this neighborhood, but if I had turned away because other denominations had their ministers stationed here we should have had no church here at present, and I believe that the same success would accompany us in other places.

"Last week I travelled close to forty miles west of here. I did not know where I was going, but before I went very far, I found that I could open two good stations in that locality. At one of these places there are two or three families that formerly belonged to our denomination, none at the other. The poor people never have had any service at all until last winter, since they settled there about seven years ago, and they get service only once a month now. I believe there are hundreds of places like this in this Province.

And still later, he says :

"I have preached regularly at each of our appointments, and conducted a Bible-class every Lord's day, except on two. On one of these occasions I preached in a school-house about 27 miles west of Wood Bay, and on the other in a school-house 210 miles north west ; the reason why I was away from home these Sundays was already reported to the Executive Committee, and I am glad to learn that it was cordially received and with good results. A few weeks ago I visited one of these stations, and the people there desired that I should preach to them as often as I could. . . . At the stations near home the attendance on the Lord's day is good ; at one of these it has increased from 6 to, I believe, in the neighborhood of 50. At this station, also, we have organized another Sunday School ; number of scholars on the roll, 20. This makes two Sunday Schools in connection with our church. Our Wood Bay congregation has slightly increased ; it will not include much more until new settlers come in. . . . At Wood Bay we have put up a new stable, and have raised $20 for the Missionary Society.

"Last night we held our annual meeting. All present were hopeful that we will have a good future in this locality. A resolution was passed to the effect, that $150 of the debt on the manse shall be paid before the end of the coming month. We have now four deacons added to the officers of the church, and an auxiliary of C. C. W. B. Missions.

"I feel that we will never be able to know our strength in this locality til we have a more convenient place for worship. School-houses are very inconvenient, owing to the smallness of the seats. People like a comfortable seat, and a comfortable place for their horses, especially during winter. These things are greatly needed. We have the promise of a church site, free, in a very convenient place, just near enough to the Railway."

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 Catiline I. and II.); Virgil (Æneid B. I.) Xenophon (Anabasis, B. I.); Homer (Iliad, B. I.)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

literary work, and your Directors have every confidence that in his hands the *Independent* will be increasingly popular. A special feature introduced by Mr. Smith is a number of wood cuts of churches and pastors, which not only add largely to the interest of the magazine, but which will, we feel sure, greatly help to foster that spirit of unity and fellowship which we happily believe is growing amongst us.

These improvements cannot be effected without a large increase in expenditure, and your Directors feel that they may confidently appeal to the churches for increased patronage and support. One very admirable method in which this help may be given has already been recommended by the Quebec Association at its meeting in April last, and from whose resolution we gladly quote as follows : "We recommend, therefore, that in each church some agent be regularly appointed to solicit subscriptions, and that all items of Church news be regularly forwarded for publication."

Your Directors feel that this is the very best method by which the churches may help the *Independent* to a larger success.

Another method, which your Directors think available, is by special contributions, to be given either by way of the purchase of stock, or to secure the free distribution of the *Canadian Independent*, as the donors may desire. It is surely not too much to ask the friends of our cause to do this.

Your Directors notice with pleasure that the step taken by the Congregationalists of Canada twenty-two years ago, in the incorporation of this Company, our friends in England are now preparing, in some measure. to follow. At the meeting of the Congregational Union of England and Wales last May, one of the most important announcements made was, that after midsummer the Union would issue its own publications. And one of the reasons given for that step was that it would be an advantage to be brought into more direct communication with their customers than they had been under the old custom of giving their work into the hands of a publishing firm.

This is what we feel, and, encouraged by this example, your Directors feel that we should unite in pushing on our work to a still greater success.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. WARRINER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

3. The Examinations shall be held at the same time and place, annually, as the Sessional Examinations of the College, and the Degree shall be conferred at the public closing service of the session.

4. Candidates for examination, at any of the above-named Examinations, must notify the Secretary of the Faculty of their intention to present themselves for examination, not later than January 1st; and candidates other than students now (1885), or hereafter, passing through their College Course, must produce certificates of having duly completed their course in the College.

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

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

MEDAL AND EXHIBITIONS.

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

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

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

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

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

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I.—The annual meeting of the Company shall be held in connection with the annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, the day and hour to be fixed by the President and Secretary.

II.—The number of Directors shall be nine, of whom four shall be a quorum.

III.—The qualifications for a Director shall be the holding of two paid-up shares in the stock of the Company.

IV.—The officers of the Company shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Editors, to be annually chosen at the first meeting of the Board.

V.—The President, Secretary and Vice-President of the Company shall constitute an Executive Committee for the management of all matters arising between meetings of the Board of Directors.

Disabled Missionary	7 00
	$45 50
(Rec'd since acc'ts closed)	$13 10

CORNWALLIS.

Rev. Jacob Whitman	$6 50
Mrs. Sarah O'Brien	4 00
Ladies' H. M. S.	7 00
	$16 00

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(For 1886-87).

Rev. F. T. McLeod	$3 00
R. C. Fulton	3 00
Robert Hill	2 00
John Moore	1 50
S. B. Laylor	1 50
A. K. Moore	3 00
Jonas Howe	1 00
Woodberry Moore	1 00
Mrs. John Ellis	1 00
S. H. McLaughlin	1 00
D. McKenzie & Son	2 00
S. G. Moore	2 00
C. S. Durning	1 50
Small Sums	10 25
	$33 75
Ladies' H. M. S	10 00
	$43 75

KESWICK RIDGE.

On acc't of 1886-7	$15 48
Upper Keswick Ridge	12 50
Lower Keswick Ridge	2 70
Scotch Settlement	5 30
Bear Island	3 80
Lower Queensberry	7 13
Scotch Lake	3 95
Ladies' H. M. S.	23 06
	$73 92

LIVERPOOL.

Rev. S. Sykes	$2 00
Choir	5 00
Ladies' H. M. S.	42 50
	$49 50

MILTON.

Ladies' H. M. S.	$47 10
Disabled Minister	6 00
	$53 10

MARGAREE.

Mark Hart	$1 00
Patrick Burton	1 00
Jeremiah Phillips	1 00
Small Sums	2 65
Collection	1 35
	7 00
Disabled Minister	4 00
	$11 00

MAITLAND.

Rev. J. Shipperley	$2 00
Capt. W. McDougall	2 00
Mrs. W. McDougall	1 00
Mrs. J. Montieth	1 00
Collections	3 17
	$9 17

SOUTH MAITLAND.

Mrs. Jane McDougall	$1 00
Mrs. C. Fisher	1 00
Angus Rose and family	2 00
James Dinmock	1 00
Small sums	6 90
	$11 90

NOEL.

For deficiency, 1886	$9 25
Alex. O'Brien	1 00
Mrs. Main	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. C. Crow	1 00
E. and M. Crow	1 00
Miss E. Hunter	1 00
Miss M. O'Brien	1 00

THE PROVIDENT FUND.

Statement of Mr. C. R. Black, Treasurer, before the Congregational Union, on Friday, June 8, 1888.

The Committee of the Union have kindly allowed me a few minutes of your valuable time, in order that I may commend to your notice as a Union, the important Society which, for the last 22 years, I have had the honor to serve in the capacity of its Secretary.

THE PROVIDENT FUND SOCIETY.

It has been unfortunately, from lack of time doubtless, too much the custom to put the annual meeting of this Society in anywhere—and relegate it to the end of some long session, thereby compelling it in a few minutes to transact merely its routine business of adopting the Report, and electing its Directors—while those who attend have dwindled down to about a dozen.

All this has had an injurious effect on our Society, and in consequence our young ministers are not connecting themselves with it, and really, in most cases, are ignorant either of its methods or of its value.

To correct this ignorance, and endeavor to interest our younger ministers in the Society so as to cause them to become connected with it as beneficiaries, I propose in as concise and brief manner as possible, to tell what we have done during the thirty-one years of our existence. The Society was formed under the auspices of the Union, and therefore as its child, it has a right to report its doings.

We have collected from the various churches in the Dominion for the Widows' and Orphans' Branch, during that time, $8,542, and from individual donations, $295. One (only) legacy of $25 was bequeathed; and the ministers in connexion have paid as beneficiary subscriptions, $7,472. Interest on investments has netted, deducting the unfortunate loss sustained through the Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company, $10,665; making total income from all these sources in round numbers, $27,000.

And now, what have we done with all this money? Well, first and foremost, we have paid to widows and children of our deceased ministers, as annuities, $13,350, a sum of money which, though not so large as we could wish, yet, coming in with regularity every quarter, means far more than we can understand, of comfort to these households, bereft of their heads.

Received since accounts closed	1 00

CANIFTON.

Received since accounts closed	$11 75

COLDSPRINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rosevear	$10 00
Mr. and Mrs. James Eagleson	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Linton	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Linton	2 00
Mrs. T. Fisher	1 00
W. & A. Hoskins	1 00
E. & J. Hoskins	1 00
Mrs. Watt	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. R. McMann	1 00
Mr. and Mrs. James Teney	1 00
Geo. Avery	1 00
Greer & McCarty	1 25
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rosevear	2 00
James Elliot	1 00
Robert Teney	1 00
Mrs. and Miss Kelly	1 00
John Eagleson	1 00
Miss Jane Eagleson	1 00
" Ellen Eagleson	1 00
" Maggie Eagleson	1 50
Mrs. Wm. Jamieson	1 00
Robert Eagleson	1 00
Mrs. Geo. Stewart	1 00
John Stewart	1 00
Wm. Davidson	1 50
Mrs. M. Eagleson	1 00
I. J. S	2 00
Small sums	4 10
Collection	6 38
Disabled Minister	10 00
	$62 73

KINGSTON.

(FIRST).

Rev. Dr. Jackson	$20 00
Mrs. George Robertson	20 00
Misses Robertson	20 00
Sunday School	20 00
Mission Band	10 00
Rev. Thomas Hall	6 00
P. Bajus	5 00
J. F. McEwen	5 00
T. McK. Robertson	5 00
J. Bajus	2 00
P. R. Henderson	2 00
Thomas Savage	2 00
Hugh Jack	1 50
Mrs. Hayward	1 00
J. Boyd	1 00
Mrs. Harvey	1 00
E. Horsey	1 00
J. A. Hendry	1 00
J. R. Henderson	1 00
George McMahon	1 00
Miss Moffat	1 00
John McKelvey	1 00
Mrs. John McKelvey	1 00
Mrs. Parkyn	1 00
James E. Reid	1 00
David G. Scott	1 00
Col. Twitchell	1 00
D. Spence	1 00
Small sums	2 75
	$139 25
British Columbia	137 61
Disabled Minister	32 40
	$309 26

(BETHEL).

No list	$116 12
British Columbia	100 00
Disabled Minister	20 00
	$236 12

LANARK.

Received after accounts closed	$91 00
British Columbia	6 32

MIDDLEVILLE.

No list	$25 00

IV. Any person may become a member of this Society by the payment of —— cents weekly.

V. Money appropriated by the Auxiliaries to the General Treasury may be appropriated to the Home and Foreign Work in such proportions as may be deemed desirable by the Society.

VI. Each Auxiliary shall report quarterly to the Secretary and Treasurer of the Branch with which it is connected.

CONSTITUTION FOR MISSION BANDS.
(OPTIONAL.)

I. An Association of Young People banded together to aid the Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions may be auxiliary either to the Missionary Society of its church, or to the General Society, by paying to the general fund at least $5 annually.

II. Anyone may become a member of the Band on payment of —— cents a week.

III. The officers of the Band shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, to be elected annually.

IV. The duty of the President shall be to preside at all stated meetings and to have a general oversight of the work of the Band.

V. The duty of the Secretary shall be to keep a record of the proceedings of the Band, and to make an annual report to the Missionary Society to which it is auxiliary.

VI. The Treasurer shall receive and hold all funds, paying the same quarterly to the Treasurer of the Society to which the Band is auxiliary,or to the Treasurer of the Branch.

VII. Each Mission Band must select an appropriate name and report the same to the Society to which its money is sent.

VIII. Each Mission Band shall be entitled to send one delegate to the annual meeting of the Board.

PROCEEDINGS OF FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE OF B. N. A.,

Held in Emmanuel Church, Montreal, June 8th, 1888.

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1. On motion, James, Goldie, Esq., of Guelph, was called to the chair; and Rev. J. K. Unsworth, B.A., was appointed Minute Secretary. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. F. McGregor, B.A.

2. The Report of the Board for 1887-88 was read by the Secretary, together with the Treasurer's Statement.

3. Moved by Rev. Dr. Cornish, seconded by Rev. W. F. Clarke, and

Resolved,—That the report now read be received and adopted, and that Mr. Henry W. Walker be appointed Financial Secretary of the College.

4. The retiring Directors for the last year were re-elected unanimously; Mr. J. M. M. Duff taking the place of Mr. John Porteous, removed from the Dominion.

5. Moved by Rev. R. K. Black, seconded by Rev. John Wood, and

Resolved,—That this Corporation gladly avails itself of the presence of Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, to whom it extends a cordial personal greeting, to give emphatic expression to its warm appreciation of the constant and generous aid given by the Colonial Missionary Society to the College from its foundation until now; without which aid the Institution would hardly have come into existence, and certainly could not have done so good a work.

Mr. Fielden made a cordial and appropriate reply.

6. Moved by Mr. George Hague, seconded by Rev. W. H. Warriner, and

Resolved,—That the Corporation of the Congregational College of B. N. A., now meeting at the beginning of its fiftieth year, while remembering with thankfulness all the way it has been led from a humble beginning to its present strength, the services of a succession of able and devoted Principals and Professors, and the good work done by its former students in manifold places of labour, yet painfully conscious of the incompleteness of its equipment, earnestly desires to signalize its Jubilee by increasing the Endowments to an amount sufficient to provide the salaries of at least two Professors. And in the conviction that no form of aid to the work in Canada is more vital and effective than that of aiding in the education of Canadian young men for service here, or calls forth a better proportionate response from these churches, the Corporation would specially ask the aid and influence of the Colonial Missionary Society in furthering the ampler endowment of the College during its Jubilee year.

indeed, it is not saying too much, when it is said, that, without the constant support of that Society, the College might have been called into existence, but it would have been a very short-lived existence. The Board therefore feel certain that all will join with them in according to him, as representing the Society he serves, and also for our obligations to him personally, a very cordial and grateful welcome.

The Forty-ninth Session was opened on the appointed day, in the Assembly Hall of the College, with a large and much-interested audience. Of course, the crowning interest of the meeting was the installation of Dr. Barbour as Principal. In the absence of the chairman of the Board, the chair was occupied by the Secretary; the prayer of installation was offered by Mr. Marling, and the address of welcome, in the name of the College and of the churches, was delivered by Dr. Jackson, of Kingston. Sir Wm. Dawson, as representing the University, Principal Douglas, of the Wesleyan College, and Prof. Scrimgeour, of the Presbyterian College, with others, were present, and delivered addreses of welcome.

The classes were organized, and their work severally laid out, as follows :—

To Principal Barbour were assigned Systematic Theology and Homiletics; to Dr. Cornish, Greek Testament Exegesis; to Mr. Burton, the continuation of his course on Apologetics, extending over four weeks; to Dr. Jackson, the continuation for the same term of service of his course on the History of Congregationalism; and to Mr. Warriner, for the same term, a course on Hebrew Exegesis; whilst Rev. Hugh Pedley was requested to lay out a course of reading in Church History, and to conduct the examination in the same.

The Reports of the several Instructors show to what extent these arrangements were carried out. The work of the several classes went on with quiet and unbroken regularity, and with commendable zest and success on the part of the students.

Applications for admission were received from the following candidates, who, after a satisfactory probation, were admitted as students of the College :—

(1) F. W. Read, Emmanuel Church, Montreal, to the Third Year, Full Course.
(2) Galen H. Craik, church at Franklin Centre, Que., to the Full Course.
(3) D. S. Hamilton, Northern Church, Toronto, to the Full Course.
(4) Wm. T. Gunn, Calvary Church, Montreal, to the Full Course.

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PILOT MOUND.

Rev. John McKinnon	$2 00
Mrs. John McKinnon	1 00
Miss Christie McKinnon	1 00
Mrs. McKinnon, sr	1 00
Mr. James Rankin	1 00
Mrs. James Rankin	1 00
Mr. William Munro	1 00
Mr. Peter McIntosh, sr.	1 00
Mr. James Rooke, jr	1 00
Mrs. R. P. Affleck	1 00
Mr. James Campbell	1 00
Mrs. Campbell	1 00
Small sums	7 00
	$20 00

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.

No list	$20 00

WINNIPEG.

(Received since the accounts were closed).

R. Campbell	$2 00
W. Dixon	2 00
Jno. Taylor	1 00
M. D. Gardner	1 00
Geo. Huxtable	1 00
Annie Burt	1 00
R. D. Johnson	1 00
Arthur May	1 00
Mrs. T. Burt	1 00
Mrs. Neilson	1 00
Rev. H. Pedley	10 00
D. R. McCallum	2 00
F. Grieve	1 00
Friends	2 00
Jas. Lyon	1 00
Mrs. Early	1 00
A. Wickson	5 00
Geo. C. Mortimore	1 00
T. R. Simpson	5 00
Mrs. Buckle	1 00
Mrs. A. Black	1 00
H. P. Hammerton	2 00
Mrs. Muir	2 00
G. R. Mortimore	1 00
W. A. Stuart	5 00
B. A. Calder	1 00
J. H. Dobson	2 00
Mrs. Blain	1 00
J. Douglas	1 00
John Tait	1 00
A. R. McNichol	1 00
Friend	1 00
John McGill	1 00
A Drake	1 00
Mrs. L. C. Jones	1 00
John Wallace	2 00
H. K. Gay	1 00
Small Sums	18 75
Collection	35 25
	$120 00

PERSONAL.

"A Friend of the Cause," Almonte	$ 15 00
Miss Ball, Lenoxville	20 00
"A Friend," Montreal	500 00
"Thanksgiving Offering," Toronto	10 00
"A Friend," Rugby	20 00
Anomymous, Clinton	5 00
Mrs. L M. Field, Stanstead	2 00
Rev. Walter Lenwood, Newcastle, Eng.	24 33
Students' Mission Box, C.C.B.N.A.	12 00
Anonymous, Montreal	500 00

support for the future. We rely on the churches for this, and would suggest that *one* of our laymen in each church take it upon him to see that a collection is made once a year. In this way you will assist in the building up of a strong fund, which will be of immense importance to our Congregational ministry for years to come.

EXTRACT FROM THE RULES.

XII.—BENEFICIARY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The following shall be the scale of rates, payable annually, by Beneficiary Members of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Branch :—

1. By those received under thirty years of age, and by Alumni of the Congregational College of B. N. America, subscribing within twelve months from the date of their ordination, Ten Dollars.

2. By those received over thirty and under forty years of age, Twelve Dollars.

3. By those received over forty and under fifty years of age, Fourteen Dollars.

4. By those received over fifty and under sixty years of age, Sixteen Dollars.

5. By those received over sixty years of age, such a special rate as may be agreed to by the Society.

6 All subscriptions to be paid semi-annually on the 1st of January and July, and if not paid within three months, to be subject to a fine of one dollar. If not paid within twelve months, due notice having been given by the trustees, the minister so in arrears shall be held to have withdrawn from connection with the fund.

XIII.—ANNUITIES.

There shall be paid from the funds of the Society to the families of the Beneficiary Members the following Annuities :—

1. To their Widows for life, or until re-marriage, One Hundred Dollars.

2. To their Widows for each Son under the age of 16 years, and for each Daughter under the age of 18 years, Twenty Dollars, but Forty Dollars for the youngest child.

3. To Guardians on behalf of Orphans, Forty Dollars for the youngest, and Thirty Dollars for each other child, until they attain the ages mentioned in the preceding section ; provided, nevertheless, that the Directors shall have power to delay such payments to Guardians until they are satisfied that they will be properly applied.

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

THE CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE OF B. N. A. IN ACCOUNT WITH R. C. JAMIESON, TREASURER, 1887-88.

Debt Account.

DR.

To Amount due Endowment Fund at beginning of year	$ 1600 00

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By Cash on hand at beginning of year	$ 182 08
" Contributions received towards debt	1408 70
" Balance of debt carried forward	59 92
	$1650 70

Current Account.

DR.

To Balance of last year's debt	$ 59 92
Principal's stipend for nine months	1875 00
" Expenses in moving from New Haven	200 00
Rev. Prof. Cornish	400 00
Grants to Lecturers	500 00
House Expenses	1538 26
Fuel and Gas	403 11
Students' sessional allowance	1152 50
Repairs, additions to furniture, etc	259 51
Interest on Principal's residence	480 00
" on temporary loans	16 78
Printing, advertising, stationery and postage	179 88
Water Tax	47 50
Travelling Expenses	213 69
Robert Anderson Exhibitions	100 00
	$7426 15

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By Grant from Colonial Missionary Society, London, Eng.		$1204 48
" Contributions from Province of Quebec		1010 75
" " " " Ontario		1252 46
" " " " Nova Scotia		98 30
" " " " New Brunswick		39 01
" " " " Manitoba		105 00
" Interest and dividends from Endowment Fund investments		1304 15
" Amount received from students for board		1253 00
" Subscription from Rev. W. T. Currie, Benguella, West Africa		5 00
" Rent of Principal's residence for April, May and June		150 00
" Amount borrowed from Endowment Fund	$1300 00	
" Less cash on hand	346 70	
Balance, being present deficiency		953 30
		$7426 15

Montreal, June 6th, 1888.

(Signed) R. C. JAMIESON,
Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,
(Signed), J. B. LEARMONT,
T. B. MACAULAY.

NOTE.—A payment of $416.67, in addition, has accrued, but is not yet due; if this be added to the above deficiency, the total will be $1,369.97.

Cheerful Givers, Maxville; The Emily Macallum, St. Elmo; King's Stewards, Roxboro.

SHERBROOKE BRANCH.—Organized May, 1888. *President*—Mrs. A. Hurd, Sherbrooke. *Secretary*—Miss Parker, Danville. *Treasurer*—Mrs. Skinner, Sherbrooke. *Auxiliaries reported*—Waterville, Sherbrooke, Melbourne, Ulverton, Danville. *Mission Band*—Danville, Melbourne

The following auxiliaries, in Branches not yet organized, have reported during the year:

Quebec—Granby. *Ontario*—Forest, Kincardine, South Caledon (Greenlaw), Stouffville.

Mission Bands—*Quebec*, Granby; *Ontario*—Forest, Stouffville.

CONSTITUTION

— OF —

The Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions.

(Revised June 9th, 1888.)

I. NAME.

This Society shall be called, "The Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions," and shall co-operate with the Canada Congregational Missionary Society and the Canada Congregational Foreign Missionary Society.

II. OBJECT.

Its object shall be the cultivation of a missionary spirit, and the raising of funds for carrying on missionary work in the Home and Foreign fields.

III. MEMBERSHIP.

Any lady may become a member of this Board by contributing to its funds one dollar a year; or a life member by payment of twenty-five dollars at one time.

It shall be understood that the object to which these fees are to be devoted shall not be determined by the donors, but shall be left to the Board.

IV. OFFICERS.

The Officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-Presidents, a Home Secretary, a Foreign Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer.

The President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Treasurer shall form a sub-committee to decide questions of urgency, subject to the approval of the Board. The Officers and Superintendents of Departments shall form an executive committee to arrange for the annual meeting.

31 25
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23 96

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$10 00

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The Canadian Independent:

A Monthly Religious Magazine of thirty-two pages. Price, One Dollar per annum in advance, post free. It is conducted in the interests of the Congregational Churches of the Dominion, being intended to serve as a medium of communication to those Churches—as a journal of our proceedings: giving news of the Churches, papers on important subjects, and other interesting matter. Rev. W. W. Smith, Newmarket, Ont., Editor, to whom all communications for publication should be addressed.

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This publication gives Statistics of Congregationalism throughout the world; embraces the Reports of the various Congregational Societies of Canada, and is most valuable for reference. It is a book of 256 pages. Price per copy, bound, fifteen cents. All orders and remittances should be sent to the Rev. W. Wye Smith, Newmarket, Ont.

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A useful Pocket Diary, in folded sheet form, for pastors of all denominations. Beautifully printed on smooth, heavy manilla card-board, containing columns for the names and residences of the congregation, with the months and quarters of the year. Mailed to any part of Canada or United States, postpaid for 15 cents each, or two for 25 cents.

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By Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B., D.D. The Chairman's Address, delivered before the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at Montreal, June, 1880. Ten cents each.

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Historical Congregationalism:

By Rev. Samuel N. Jackson, M.D. The Chairman's Address, delivered before the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at Toronto, June, 1881. Ten cents each.

The Scope and Fruit of the Christian Ministry:

By George Hague, Esq. The Chairman's Address, delivered before the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, at Brantford, June, 1882. Ten cents each.

The Administration of Congregational Churches:

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lecturers; $1,941.37, for house expenses; $1,152.50 grants to students in aid of board; and $459.51, for repairs and removal, an item mostly special to the year. Thus there is a deficit of $953.30, to which should be added $416.67 accrued on account of salary, but not yet due, so that the actual deficit is $1,369.97.

The Directors who retire in accordance with the by-law, are Messrs. Hague, Cornish, Wood, R. K. Black and Porteous, all re-eligible.

All which is respectfully submitted by your Board.

GEORGE CORNISH,
Secretary C.C.B.N.A.

Montreal, June 4th, 1888.

Guelph	$ 25 00	
St. Catharines.	15 00	
Montreal, Thos. Moodie.	5 00	
Montreal, Calvary	45 00	
		$1408 70

Received too Late.

St. Catharines, account of debt	$10 00
Rev. H. D. Hunter, account of debt	10 00

MEDALS AND EXHIBITIONS.

The Calvary Church Silver Medal. For the best answering in a Special Examination in the final examinations of the Theological course. Presented annually by Members of Calvary Church, Montreal.

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The Robert Anderson Exhibition of Twenty Dollars. As above for the examinations of the first year, Theological course. Same donor.

SESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS, 1888.

THEOLOGY.

Class I.—Macallum, Mason, Gerrie. *Class II.*—Solandt, Austin. *Class III.*—Watt, Davey.

HOMILETICS.

Class I.—Gerrie, Solandt. *Class II.*—Davey.

GREEK TESTAMENT.

Class I.—Macallum, Mason, Solandt. *Class II.*—Gerrie, Watt. *Class III.*—None.

APOLOGETICS.

Class I.—Macallum. *Class II.*—Gerrie, Solandt, Austin. *Class III.*—Watt ; Mason and Lee (equal), Davey.

HISTORY, POLITY AND ADMINISTRATION OF CONGREGATIONALISM.

Class I.—Gerrie, Mason. *Class II.*—Macallum, Lee, Watt, Solandt, Austin. *Class III.*—Davey.

HEBREW EXEGESIS.

Class I.—Macallum, Gerrie, Mason, Austin. *Class II.*—Solandt. *Class III.*—Watt, Davey.

CHURCH HISTORY (CALVARY CHURCH MEDAL).

Class I.—Gerrie, Solandt.

FERGUS.

Geo. S. Armstrong	$ 5 00
Rev. C. S. Pedley	2 00
T. S. Armstrong	1 00
Small sums	3 25
	$11 25

GARAFRAXA.

Rev. J. C. Wright	$ 2 00
W. Simpson	1 00
Geo. Martin	1 00
Peter Bayne	1 00
Mrs. McLellan	1 00
P. S. Martin	1 00
Wilson Ranson	1 50
Geo. Gerrie	2 00
Collection	5 75
Smaller sums	1 75
	$19 00

GUELPH.

Sunday School	$ 5 00
James Goldie	4 00
Rev. D. McGregor	4 00
Misses A. W. and C. Armstrong	3 00
John Goldie	2 00
J. W. Lyon	2 00
R. Parker	1 00
P. Spragge	1 00
Miss Rose Gansby	1 00
Miss Jessie Gansby	1 00
M. F.	1 00
Miss Hodgskin	1 00
Mrs. Boult	1 00
Mrs. Tatham	1 00
James Goldie, jr.	1 00
Geo. Skinner	1 00
C. Grundy	1 00
James Smith	1 00
Sums under $1	15 20
	$47 20

HAMILTON.

Collection	$30 00
Mutual Imp. Society	20 00
	$50 00

HUMBER SUMMIT.

Miss Elizabeth Watson	$ 1 00
Mr. Wilcox	1 00
Rev. A. W. Gerrie	4 00
Small sums	2 40
Collection	2 26
	$10 66

KINCARDINE.

Collection	$ 7 50
A. Bell	5 00
A. McLean	1 00
	$13 50

KINGSTON.

(FIRST).

P. Bajus	$ 5 00
J. Bajus	1 00
James Boyd	1 00
H. Folger	3 00
Mrs. F. A. Folger	2 00
A Friend	2 00
Rev. Thomas Hall	2 00
Mrs. Hayward	1 00
Thos. Hayward	1 00
Sam'l Hamilton	1 00
Mrs. Harvey	1 00
W. C. Horton	5 00
E. Horsey	2 00
P. R. Henderson	5 00
James R. Henderson	1 00
Mrs. Thos. Hendry	12 50
L. L. Henderson	1 00
J. A. Hendry	5 00
W. D. Hendry	3 00
Hugh Jack	1 00
Rev. S. N. Jackson, M.D	10 00
Miss Marshall	1 00
F. Moody	2 00
Wm. Meek	1 00
Wm. McCutcheon	1 00
J. F. McEwan	3 00
G. W. McMahon	1 00
John McKelvey	1 00
D. McEwan	1 00
Wm. Neish	1 00
A. Piper	1 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

(ABRIDGED).

To the Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions.

Your Treasurer would hereby submit her first annual report, congratulating the Board upon the success attained during its first year of effort.

The amount handed to me, after the meetings of your Board, in June last, for the Currie Memorial Fund, was $769.85. Since that time, $130.65 has been received. A cheque for $500 was sent to Rev. E. M. Hill, Secretary of the Foreign Missionary Society, and $12.75 paid for printing, leaving a balance on hand of $377.75 to the credit of that fund.

The amounts received for the general work of the Society foot up to the handsome sum of $1043.44; $292.32 of this is for general purposes, $140 has been received for membership fees, $230.10 for Home Missions, and $381.02 for Foreign Missions. Of the amount received for Home Missions, $217.87 has been sent to the Treasurer of the Canada Congregational Missionary Society, $11.50 to Mr. Bolton for French Bay, $10 to Mr. McKinnon for Wood Bay. Inadvertently your Treasurer has exceeded the sums designated for Home Missions by $9.27.

Of the amounts specially given for Foreign Missions, $130.98 is for Miss Lyman's salary, and $44.65 for Mr. Currie's work.

Three life memberships have been taken: Mrs. Hill, Beloit, Wisconsin, from Calvary Church, Montreal; Mrs. Porteous, formerly of Emmanuel, Montreal; Mrs. A. W. Gerrie, of Portage la Prairie.

Yonr Treasurer feels that, under God's blessing, the year's work has been productive of much good.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A BURTON, *Treasurer.*

Membership fees have been received from:

Mrs. Macallum, Mrs. G. Robertson, Mrs. J. C. Wright, Miss Rawlings, Mrs. Burton, Miss Dougall, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. D. McGregor, Mrs. Boult, Mrs. Toller, Mrs. Dr. Richardson, Mrs. J. D. Unsworth, Mrs. A. F. McGregor, Miss Oliver, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Stephens, Miss Live, Miss Lightbody, Mrs. Ashdown, Miss Horton, Mrs. Barker, Miss C. Richardson, Miss Warbeck *Life Members*—Mrs. Hill, Beloit, Wisconsin; Mrs. Gerrie, Manitoba; Mrs. Porteous, Boston.

Kingston	Bethel	$15 50	
	B. W. Robertson	25 00	
	Miss McArthur's Class	5 00	
	Miss Agnew's "	4 50	
	J. Veale's "	2 25	
	Miss Veale's "	2 00	
	Miss McNamee's "	1 52	
	J. B. Reid's "	1 18	
	Miss Rachael Veale's	70	
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Lanark		$30 00	
	Sunday School	32 00	
			62 00
Listowel	Sunday School		3 00
London	Sunday School		20 00
Paris			37 91
Pine Grove	Sunday School		10 88
Rugby	"A Friend"		20 00
Scotland	Mission Sunday School		6 00
Toronto	Bond Street		75 00
	Yorkville		50 00
	Zion		30 00
	Western		21 83
	Mount Zion		8 00
	Mr J. D. Nasmith's Y. M. C. A. Deaf and Dumb Class		10 00
Wiarton			12 00
Woodstock			25 00
	Total for Ontario		$965 31
Quebec:			
Cowansville	Ladies' Missionary Society	$42 00	
	Sunday School	50 00	
			$92 00
Eaton	Sunday School		8 00
Franklin Centre		$10 00	
	Mission Boxes	10 00	
			20 00
Melbourne	Suuday School		9 10
Montreal	Emmanuel	$219 63	
	C. A	20 00	
			239 63
Montreal	Calvary	$116 71	
	Sunday School	60 60	
	Missionary Needles	42 50	
			219 81
Montreal	Zion—T. Moodie		5 00
Montreal	American Presbyterian Sunday School		25 00
Sherbrooke			49 35
Stanstead South	Mrs. M. L. Field		2 00
Waterville	Ladies' Missionary Society		15 75
	Total for Quebec		$685 64

His life on these exploring tours you have read in the pamphlet we sent out containing his letters. When at home in Bailundu, his occupation is thus told in his own words, written last November :—

"I am very busily occupied with household duties; work in my garden, school, visiting the capital and the King, studying the language, and with other duties. I spend four hours a day teaching, and from one to two hours writing out exercises, and preparing work for the lads, having no books for use in the schools. The boys have made marked progress during the month, and I am highly pleased with them. I manage to visit the King about twice a week, and am always received by him in a good-natured way. If he is busy discussing a case, he gives me a seat on a rock by his side, where I may hear what is said and learn Umbundu. If he has no business on hand, he calls me to take a stool close to him, and speaks a number of sentences for me to write down. He seemed well pleased with his pupil to-day, when I made him a formal speech; telling him, among other things, that if he taught me *Umbundu*, I would soon learn to speak well. He said he would teach me Umbundu, and I should fix his chair for him; or in other words, we would help each other; and certainly no professor ever delivered his lectures with more patience than King Kwikwi."

At present Mr. Currie is at the coast, having gone down to help to arrange business matters there, so that Mr. and Mrs. Walter, who live at Benguella, can come home on a furlough.

The outlook is this:—Mr. Currie is waiting, almost impatiently, for another missionary-family to go out, so as to enter with him upon the new station he has chosen; the mission being very unwilling that he go out alone. This new station is about two days' journey north of Bihé, and a little east; and is in the country called *Olimbinda*. The immediate sovereign is King Kopoko, who boasts of choosing the kings of Bihé; but the truth is, that the King of Bihé is in authority over all that country.

Of this country he writes himself:—

"The population would be considered good in a well-settled agricultural district in Canada. The country is drained by a large number of small rivers. There are tracts of deep, sandy soil, which, as I have noticed in other places, are specially fertile. Everywhere the crops look healthy, and much further advanced than in Bailundu. The hill-sides were covered with a carpet of living green, enlivened by a large variety of brilliant flowers. In the fields were rich collections of gladioli. In the ponds and streams were calla and other lilies of rare beauty. Few animals were to be seen, and scarcely any more ferocious than a mouse. Few birds were noticed worth a gun-shot, except to swell a museum. There is much well-timbered land. There are many peculiar *mounds*, of which the natives say, 'God started to make a mountain, but did not finish it.' Doctor Webster says the site we have selected is more than likely to prove healthful.

"We have bargained for some land. A tree was cut with a large knife sent by Kopoko, and the place was, with due solemnity, declared ours. I have arranged to have a hut built in my absence, and a lot around it fenced in, in order to accustom the natives to the idea of having a white man live among them as a friend and helper; and also to have them take a little responsibility upon themselves.

"The site is at the meeting of four ravines. A church built there will be in view of at least twenty-five villages, and a bell swung in the belfry would ring up and down the four valleys, calling many people to worship. A house near by

would have a beautiful view, be only a few feet from a stream of splendid water, and close to an abundance of timber. It is really one of the most strategical points in the whole country. There is a large field for work in the immediate neighborhood ; and we would be in possession of the two main arteries into the interior, the vast *Ganguella* country beyond."

Later, Mr. Currie writes :—

"The King objected considerably to the location ; it being so far from his capital. Senor Porto, the Portuguese official whose residence is at Belmont, acted as arbitrator. I made my point, that if I was not allowed to settle at the site I had chosen, I should go into the Ganguella country ; and what was more, I would not give a present of guns, powder, rum, or a *large* present of cloth. The next day, word came that I might settle in Olimbinda. So the matter stands thus. The local governor, Kopoko, has given me a splendid site. The king of Bihé has consented to my settling there. The Portuguese governor has also declared that I shall have the right, and that if any difficulty arises, he will render me assistance."

The Board repeats the urgent call for a missionary to go with his wife, to enter with Mr. Currie upon his newly-chosen station, which is opening up so attractively.

In closing, we call attention to the 4th article of the By-laws of the Society, which calls upon the different associations to appoint directors from their number, to serve upon the Board of Directors the same as in the Home Missionary Society. We also urge upon every minister to hold a monthly missionary meeting, for prayer and the giving of missionary information ; and also to the training of children to give something every year of their own earnings.

We recommend that the appropriation asked by Mr. Currie for 1889 be granted.

E. M. HILL,
Secretary.

it was deemed better to begin at Portage la Prairie. The Executive Committee assented to this change of plan, with the understanding that Mr. Gerrie should occasionally visit Brandon, and as far as possible prepare the way for a commencement there, and at other suitable points in the neighborhood. This Mr. Gerrie is doing. Under date of Dec. 22, 1887, he writes:

"I believe there is a better opening here, at the present time, than in Brandon; and better, I believe, than there ever will be again for many years to come. I felt, in a measure, as if it were '*now or never*' for the Portage, and so I have started work here. The place will not, I think, be as large as Brandon ultimately. It is at present about the same size, and I think will grow more for the next two or three years. The Portage suffered more from the 'boom,' perhaps, than any other place in Manitoba; so much so, that it is now a bankrupt town, without any Corporation, Council, Mayor, or official of any kind! A Commission has been making enquiry into the matter, and it is expected that some settlement will be made before long.

"Apart from this, the town has just passed through the best year it has had since 'boom' times. It has evidently touched bottom, and has begun to come up again. The place is situated in what is conceded to be one of the finest agricultural districts in the Province. A college for music, painting, commercial work, etc., has been established recently, with gratifying results. There is at present a plan on foot for the erection of a building in order to make the college a permanent institution for the Portage. . . It is the present terminus of the Manitoba and North Western Railroad, and so has an *outlook* along that line, towards such places as Minnedosa, Neepawa, Rapid City, Birtle, etc., and being on the C. P. R. as well, it has an outlook westward along that line. When I have said this, I have given pretty much all the favorable prospects for our cause here. We have not many people, and the financial strength is not great. But the few we have, I believe, are made of good stuff; and have taken hold of the work in a way that speaks well for future success. I think we could possibly organize just now with about a dozen members. I am not, however, anxious to hurry organizations; but we may probably do something in that line early in the new year."

The Sabbath services have been held in the Council Chamber, and the week-night meeting in one of the rooms of Lansdowne College, which was kindly put at their disposal free of charge. The congregation has purchased and paid for a cabinet organ, and a generous friend has offered two lots, "in a very desirable location," as a free gift, to which they propose to add two adjoining lots at a cost of $400 more, on which they hope soon to build a house of worship.

"We are getting along quite as well as I expected. We might make a bigger flash and glare, and, I think, we could, but I have no desire to grow except in a healthy way. I know the work is to be hard and discouraging enough at times, I have no doubt, but we know that we have the sympathy and prayers of many friends in the east. We have given our hearts and our hands to this work in the firm confidence that the Master has called us to it. We are, therefore, glad we came; are enjoying the work, and are as comfortable and happy as possible, even if we have had it 33 degrees below zero; and, at the present moment, what seems akin to a blizzard is raging outside, only it is not a blizzard. We are told we poor unsophisticated folk from the east are ready to think any little blow a blizzard."

Mr. Gerrie reports in June:

REPORT FOR SESSION 1887–88.

It is with feelings of devout thankfulness, for the circumstances of encouragement and promise in which the College finds itself, that the Board of Directors once more make report to their constituents.

The last annual report opened with a mournful list of losses, by death or removal, of those who had been conspicuous for their warm attachment to the College and its work. This year, no such losses have to be reported; but, on the other hand, positive gains and advantages have been secured, which must, in large measure, add to its strength and efficiency. A year ago, the Board reported the negotiations which resulted in the acceptance by the Rev. Dr. Barbour of the Principalship; and they indulged in sanguine anticipations of the great benefits to the College and the churches, which were likely to accrue therefrom. Without using language that might seem out of place in an annual report, the Board desire to say this much, in the way of justice and honour to the esteemed Principal, as well as for the encouragement of their constituents, that their anticipations, sanguine though they were, have been amply fulfilled in the successful teaching and general administration of affairs by Dr. Barbour, as Principal and Professor, during the past session. All who have had anything to do with the College will bear willing testimony to this simple and matter-of-fact acknowledgment, which is full of promise for the future.

Another gain has come, in the return to the city of his first labours, of the Rev. F. H. Marling, an alumnus of the College; and one who, in the capacity of Secretary and member of the Board, rendered it, for many years, very valuable services. Mr. Marling, whilst occupying the important position of Pastor of Emmanuel Church, is ready to give the Institution the full benefit of his ministerial influence, and also of his riper judgment and experience, in all matters appertaining to its best interests and success.

At this annual meeting, the Corporation is favored by the presence of the Rev. W. S. H. Fielden, the honoured Secretary of the Colonial Missionary Society; which from the birth of the College, has been its fast and liberal friend and supporter:—

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COLLEGE.

FOR THE SESSION 1887–88.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

ALTON.

Collection	$ 5 50

BURFORD.

Collections	$15 00

BARRIE.

Collections	$10 00
Sunday School	4 00
	$14 00

BOWMANVILLE.

Rev. W. H. Warriner	$ 5 00
Mrs. W. McMurtry	5 00
	$10 00

BELWOOD.

Robt. Y. Blyth	$ 3 00
Rev. J. C. Wright	2 00
Robt. Bichan	1 00
Miss B. G. Rodgers	2 00
Mrs. Hill	1 00
Wm. Douglas	1 00
Mr. P. Gerrie	1 00
D. Johnston	1 00
Small sums	4 50
Collection	3 71
	$20 21

BRANTFORD.

Collections, etc.	$70 00

CHURCH HILL.

Collection	$ 2 75

CRESSWELL.

Collection	$10 75

COBOURG.

Field & Bro	$10 00
F. W. Field	10 00
T. W. Harper	2 00
Rev. R. Aylward	2 00
H. Evans	1 00
W. Toms, jr	1 00
J. P. Field	1 00
Mrs. T. Battell	1 00
C. Lawes	1 00
Mrs. G. T. Bickle	1 00
Miss R. Stewart	1 00
Small sums	2 75
Collection	14 54
	$48 29

DALSTON.

Collection	$ 3 00

EDGAR.

Collection	$11 42

EMBRO.

Collections, etc	$32 20

FROME.

Collection	$ 8 35
Mrs. Silcox	2 00
	$10 35

For expenses during all these 31 years, we have paid $822, or equal to $26.50 per annum. This includes the legal and other expenses of the first and second acts of incorporation, cost of printing Reports in *Year Book* each year, incidental printing, travelling expenses, books, stationery and postages; so that any one can see the Society has been managed on economical principles. Then we have, to balance the receipts, a net capital, invested, and yielding six per cent. per annum, of $12,629. So much for the Widows' and Orphans' Branch.

In 1873 was formed another branch of the Society, for the benefit of ministers retired from the active duties of the ministry through ill health or old age, called the "Retiring Ministers' Branch." To give this branch a start, the Rev. William Clarke was appointed to make a special effort among the churches, which realized $2,075. Since then the churches have given us $1,477.

Individual donations have come in to the amount of $243. Legacy, $25. Subscriptions from ministers in connexion, as beneficiaries, $885. Interest has netted, deducting the loss sustained through the Loan and Mortgage Company, $339; making the total receipts $5,044. In the earlier years there was paid out from its funds, in the shape of charitable annuities, $285; but it was afterwards considered inadvisable to continue these, until the Branch had secured a capital sufficient to guarantee those beneficiaries who began and continue to pay in yearly beneficial subscriptions. The expenses incident to this Branch have been $54, and the present net capital is $4,700.

The total capital, therefore, of both Branches amounts to $17,300, and this will show that the Society is of great importance to both churches and ministers, and deserves more attention and notice than it has often received at the hands of both.

In conclusion, allow me to urge our younger ministers to become connected with the Society, just as soon as they secure the blessing of a good wife. Life is quite uncertain; and the following instance of the paramount benefit of our Widows' and Orphans' Branch ought to convince every one of its value: One of our annuitants died in April of this year. Her husband became a beneficiary about 29 years ago. He had only paid in $80, or eight annual payments, when he was taken away; and up to the time of her death his widow received $1,900 as annuities from the Fund. No insurance company can, by any possibility, give such a return as this for such a small outlay, for two reasons: 1st. The churches don't give them any collections, and, 2nd. Their officers and clerks can't work for nothing.

I will be most happy to supply full information with regard to terms of subscription, etc., to those who may desire it, either personally or by letter.

The Society desires also to thank the churches most cordially for their co-operation hitherto, and to bespeak a continuance of their kind

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In supporting this resolution, Mr. Hague generously offered to give the last $5,000, on the condition that the endowment funds of the College were raised to a total of $50,000.

7. Moved by Rev. W. McIntosh, seconded by Rev. A. F. McGregor, B.A., and

Resolved,—That the churches be requested to observe the second Sunday in October, as a day of special prayer to God on behalf of the College; and also to devise plans for securing larger, prompt, and more general remittances to its current Expense Fund.

8. Moved by Rev. D. McGregor, M.A., seconded by Rev. Dr. Cornish, and

Resolved,—That Chap. I., sec. 6, of the By-laws and Regulations be amended, by dropping the words "retiring" and "ordinary" therefrom.

9. Notice of motion was given by the Secretary, on behalf of the Board,—

That sec. 4, Chap. VI. of the By-laws and Regulations be amended, by substituting the words "first week in October," for "the second week in September."

10. On motion, the above minutes were taken as read and confirmed, and after prayer the meeting adjourned.

GEORGE CORNISH, LL.D.,
Secretary.

John Hardy	1 00
James Ball	1 00
Small sums	4 75
	$18 75

STOUFFVILLE.

Collection	$21 50
Ladies' M. S.	19 00
Sunday School	5 50
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No list	$57 00
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Sunday School	$5 00
Received since accounts closed	20 75

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Messrs. Field & Bro	$10 00
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Mrs. Rose	1 00
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Small sums	6 75
Sunday School	6 19
Collection	14 20
	$50 14
British Columbia	28 15
Disabled Minister	6 00
	$84 29

LADIES' HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA AND NEW BRUNSWICK.

The Annual Meeting of this Society was held in the vestry of the Tabernacle Church, Yarmouth, N. S., on Monday, 9th July, 1888, at 10 a.m., the President, Mrs. Dr. Watson, presiding. The attendance was much larger than at any previous annual meeting of the Society. The meeting was opened with singing, reading the Scriptures, and prayer. The records were read and confirmed.

Secretary and Treasurer's reports read.

An address of welcome was given by Mrs. James Clements, of Yarmouth, which was responded to by Mrs. Nathan Tupper, of Milton, N.S., after which the president made a few remarks of an encouraging character.

A very interesting paper on "Mission Bands," was read by Mrs. William McIntosh, which elicited considerable discussion. Several ladies pledged themselves to form Mission Bands in connection with their churches.

In the afternoon some routine business was transacted, and reports heard from Mrs. N. Tupper, of the Association of the Queen's County churches; Mrs. T. Lewis, of the Yarmouth Association; Mrs. Haley, of Chebogue; Miss E. Barker, Sheffield, and Mrs Wade, St. John.

A delegation from the Congregational Union was then received, consisting of Rev. James Shipperley, and Messrs. Archibald Barker and James Woodrow, with Rev. Mr. Aikins, of Princeton, Maine. Messrs. Aikins and Woodrow were called upon, and addressed the meeting. Mrs. Capron, a former missionary in India, then addressed the meeting in regard to the work in which she had been engaged for many years; and emphasized the need of personal consecration.

Several ladies from other denominations were heard from.

Deferred business was then taken up, and the meeting considered the question deferred from last year, of uniting with the Woman's Board of Missions of the Upper Provinces. The following resolution was adopted.

After mature consideration of the question of uniting with the Woman's Board of the Upper Provinces, we, the members of this Society, now in session, deem it inexpedient at present. Our aim is one, the extension of the Master's kingdom. Thus we are united, though separate.

On Motion—

Resolved,—That Mrs. J. B. Saer be the General Correspondent of this Society, and that the Secretaries of the different societies be requested to send her items of interest.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:

Robert Faulkner	1 00
Andrew Crow	1 00
Small sums	7 88
Collection	2 32
	$27 46

PLEASANT RIVER.

Collection	$15 00

SELMA.

Andrew Anthony	$1 00
Mrs. A. Anthony	1 00
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J. R. Crow	1 00
Miss Mary B. Crow	1 00
J. M. Crow	1 00
Curwin E. Crow	1 00
D. R. Crow	1 00
A. Faulkner	1 00
Small sums	1 50
Collection	65
	$13 15

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A. Barker	$2 00
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Charles Harrison	1 00
Miss M. Harrison	1 00
Small sums	50
Ladies' H. M. S.	48 00
Disabled minister	10 00
	77 50

ST. JOHN, N.B.

William Brinkhoff	$1 00
Chas. H. Dearborn	2 00
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Josiah Fowler	1 00
Geo. W. Grow	1 00
Thos. Jordon	1 00
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Mrs. C. E. McMickle	1 00
Harold H. McMickle	1 00
C. E. McMickle, Jr	1 00
Helen D. McMickle	1 00
Dorothy Murphy	1 00
Rev. J. B. Saer	25 00
Mrs. J. B. Saer	25 00
Edward T. Smith	5 00
Andrew J. Stevens	1 00
F. W. Thompson	1 00
John H. Walker	1 00
James Woodrow	5 00
Anonymous (3 subs	2 50
Small sums	5 40
Ladies' H. M. S	48 82
Disabled minister	15 25
	$149 97

YARMOUTH.

Subscriptions	$22 00
Little Pilgrim Mis. Band	20 00
Ladies' H. M. S.	25 00
Disabled Minister	25 75
	$92 75

F. Scholes, Esq.,	to constitute		Rev. F. H. Marling	a life	member.
G. W. Moss, Esq.,	"	"	Rev. Dr. Barbour	"	"
John Porteous, Esq.,	"	"	Mr. W. M. Porteous	"	"
C. R. Black, Esq.,	"	"	Master John M. Black	"	"
James Linton, Esq.,	"	"	Himself	"	"
Chas. Gurd, Esq.,	"	"	Himself	"	"

The following life membership subscriptions were also received from present life members :

Charles Alexander Esq., ... $25 00 | George Hague, Esq $25 00
R. C. Jamieson. Esq., $20 00.

All the above from Emmanuel Church, Montreal.

LIST OF BENEFICIARIES, W. AND O. BRANCH—19.

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Lillie, "	Howell, "	Ebbs, "
Climie, "	Peacock, "	

The Treasurer's statements, duly audited, are hereto annexed and the whole respectfully submitted.

CHAS. R. BLACK.
Secretary.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

A general meeting of the shareholders of the Congregational Publishing Company (duly called) was held in the office of S. Davison, Esq., No. 14 Colborne Street, Toronto, on Friday, the 29th June, 1888, at 3 p.m.

The Rev. J. Unsworth, was, on motion, called to the chair.

The Secretary read the official notice calling the meeting, and then presented the Annual Report of the Directors and the Financial Statement, which, on motion, were received and adopted.

It was, on motion, resolved that the Secretary cast a ballot in favour of the new Board of Directors, and the following gentlemen were declared elected, viz.: Revs. J. Unsworth, J. Morton (as representative of the Hamilton Church), and J. Burton, B.D., and Messrs. S. Davison, J. Smith, D. Williams, D. Higgins, W. W. Copp and H. J. Clark.

The meeting then adjourned.

W. H. WARRINER,
Secretary Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Directors of the Congregational Publishing Company, of Toronto, herewith submit to the shareholders their Finnncial Statement and Report for the year ending 31st May, 1888 :

The Financial Statement will, we are pleased to say, show a great improvement in the affairs of the Company ; $225 having been paid off the *Canadian Independent* notes, leaving only a balance of $75 due to the Ontario Bank.

The result has, in a large measure, been brought about by the exceptional success of the YEAR BOOK, under the able management of the Rev. W. W. Smith ; 1,122 copies of which have been sold, as against 1,021 of the previous year, and this, notwithstanding that the uniform price was raised to fifteen cents. Mr. Smith was also able to secure a large reduction in the price of printing.

We would earnestly commend the YEAR BOOK to the Congregational churches. It well deserves their heartiest support.

The work of the Book Room Department has been conducted again by your Secretary-Treasurer, and a slight increase of business has been effected. We regret, however, the large number of Sunday Schools which have not, up to the present, availed themselves of this opportunity of obtaining the very best denominational Sunday School literature. We are aware that other Sunday School papers may be had at cheaper rates, but we know of none that, in proportion to their cost, are of equal value to these, and we feel that it is of vital importance that the children of our Sunday Schools should have the advantage of these excellent papers.

The Rev. J. Burton, B.D., in December last, resigned his position as Editor of the *Canadian Independent*, or, to speak more correctly, declined the re-appointment offered him by your Board. Your Directors regretted to lose the services of one who had, for so long a period (six years), and with such unselfish ability, conducted the management of the magazine, and to whom both its literary excellence and financial success were so largely due.

It was only fitting that your Directors should express their hearty appreciation of Mr. Burton's services in the Resolution which we printed in the January number of this year.

Your Directors are, however, able to report that an able successor to Mr. Burton has been secured in the person of the Rev. W. W. Smith. Mr. Smith brings to his task a large and varied experience in

REGULATIONS FOR THE COURSE OF STUDY AND EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF DIVINITY.

1. Candidates for the Degree of B.D., must be graduates in Arts of a recognized University ; provided, however, that the condition shall not be made to apply to former Alumni of the College, nor to those now (1885) passing through their course.

2. There shall be three Examinations for the Degree of B.D., viz :—I. THE ENTRANCE ; II. THE INTERMEDIATE ; and III. THE FINAL EXAMINATION ; arranged as to subjects and time as follows :—

I. ENTRANCE EXAMINATION, at the end of the First Year of the Theological Course, and in the following subjects :—

(a) *Greek.*—Gospel by St. Mark.

(b) *Latin.*—Gospel by St. Mark—(Vulgate).

(c) *Hebrew.*—Genesis, chaps. i. to iv., and Psalms, cxx. to cxxix., inclusive.

(d) *Apologetics.*—Butler's Analogy.—Theistic Argument.—Dinan.

(e) *Church History.*—Ante Nicene Period ; Mosheim. Stanley's Eastern Church.

(f) *Introduction.*—Old Test. Keil. Vol. I.

II. INTERMEDIATE EXAMINATION, at the end of the Second Year of the Theological Course.

(a) *Greek.*—Acts of the Apostles ; Justin Martyr, Apol. I.

(b) *Latin.*—Acts of the Apostles—(Vulgate).

(c) *Hebrew and Chaldee.*—The Book of Daniel.

(d) *Church History.*—Milman's Latin Christianity, Books 13 and 14.

(e) *Introduction.*—Old Test., Keil, Vol. II. ; New Test., Westcott.

(f) *Apologetics.*—Christlieb.

(g) *Theology.*—Oosterzee, (Introduction), Part II.

(h) *Church Government.*—Hatch, Dexter.

III. FINAL EXAMINATION, at the end of the Third Year of the Theological Course.

(a) *Greek.*—The Book of Exodus, Chaps. I. to XX., inclusive, (Septuagint). Philippians, (Lightfoot).

(b) *Latin.*—Exodus I. to XX., inclusive, (Vulgate).

(c) *Hebrew.*— do do

(d) *Introduction.*—

(e) *Apologetics.*—

(f) *Theology.*—Oosterzee, (concluded).

(g) *Church History*, XVIII. and XIX. Centuries.

(h) *Homiletics and Pastoral Theology.*—Shedd, Original Sermons, Outlines.

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

CHAPTER VI.

OF THE COURSE OF STUDY AND EXAMINATIONS.

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

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

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

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

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

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

CHAPTER VII.

GENERAL REGULATIONS.

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

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OF

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CANADA CONGREGATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Treasurer's Statement for the year 1887-88.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from previous year		$ 964 07
Contributions received during year	$1766 45	
Canadian Congregational Woman's Board, for School-house in West Africa, in memory of late Mrs. Clara Wilkes Currie	500 00	
Legacy (Mortgage) from late Mr. Thos. Mairs, of Bowmanville.	200 00	
Interest	25 69	
		2492 14
		$3456 21

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expenses of Mission in West Africa	$ 957 62	
Do. do. paid here	14 93	
Mr. Currie's exploring expenses	166 81	
		$1139 42
Cost of Clara Wilkes Currie memorial School-house (sent A. B. C. F. M.)		500 00
Expenses of Miss Lily Lyman (India):		
Outfit	$ 250 00	
Travelling expenses to India	316 66	
Special appropriation	300 00	
		866 66
Special Contributions to American Board:		
For Japan	$ 50 00	
India	40 00	
"Morning Star" Mission	2 50	
		92 50
Special contribution to London Missionary Society, for India		60 00
Half Rev. Mr. Stanley's expenses to Union Meetings		10 00
Report in Congregational Year Book		26 68
Pamphlets (African mission)	$ 45 00	
Less received from sales	35 80	
		9 20
Bank charges		9 51
Postage for Secretary and Treasurer		7 53
Printing and Receipt Books		3 75
		$2725 25
Balance—Mortgage (see receipts)	$ 200 00	
In Merchants Bank	529 58	
On hand	1 38	
		730 96
		$3456 21

Audited and found correct.
CHAS. R. BLACK.
Montreal, June 4th, 1888.

T. B. MACAULAY,
Treasurer.

"After six months' stay in the country, . . . I must candidly say the prospects for the advancement of Congregationalism are not very bright. I think if we have patience enough, and are satisfied with small things, we shall have gratifying success in some places. As things are now our growth can neither be rapid nor great for years. Here, in Portage la Prairie, we have a difficult problem to face We have a few earnest souls, but we have little growth; in fact, it has been rather the other way, as some of our people have left town since we began our work here. I should like the friends in the east to know as early as possible how we are situated, and so to understand what to expect in the way of progress. . . . I am satisfied that our coming has been made a means of blessing in the town. We have cause for thankfulness that our labour is not in vain."

Mr. Gerrie writes, later on, a little more hopefully of the prospect at Brandon, but says we shall have to be "content with slow progress." He sends the following suggestions in regard to the points in the west:

"I went over from Brandon to Rapid City. Rapid City has a population of 300 souls all told, and has four Protestant churches. I don't propose adding another to the list at present. The city, however, covers an area of perhaps nine square miles, more or less, so that there is *room for growth!* Mr Rogerson (formerly of Owen Sound) has been doing good work in holding meetings in school houses round about the place, but other denominations are beginning to take up his points. I came in a south-easterly direction from Rapid City to Carberry, walking when I couldn't get a ride. Out on the plain, between the two places, I met a Congregational minister from England, a graduate of Nottingham Institute, who came to this country for the sake of his health, and is farming on the prairie He, too, has been holding meetings in school houses in his neighborhood; but, like our friend Rogerson, is being crowded out by others.

"Carberry is a busy little town, a great grain market. Some day, if we watch, we may find something to do there. . . . There are three points in Western Ontario to which I would like to call the attention of the Miss'y Society, as possible places in which to begin work some day. One is Port Arthur, which has now a population of 6,000, and, because of its position, must come to be a place of importance. Another is Rat Portage, which, although not large now, has one of the best water powers on the continent, and will, doubtless, in time, become the Minneapolis of this North West. The third is the Canadian "Soo" (Sault Ste. Marie); I do not know much of this, but it is attracting considerable attention just now."

Pilot Mound and Wood Bay.—Mr. McKinnon continues his labours in this wide field, and the committee has renewed the grant for another year at the former amount. In a letter written shortly after the last annual meeting (1887), he reports a growing interest, especially at Wood Bay, where they greatly need a house of worship:

"The house in which we are accustomed to meet to worship God is getting to be too small, but seeing that we have no means that would enable us to go on with the work, we have to wait for a while. I do not like to ask aid through the columns of the *Independent*, but if some one else would do so it would greatly encourage and please me."

A little later on, he reports:

"We could begin in almost any place if we had men and means to carry on our work. What we should do is what others are doing, begin preaching and in due time a church could be organized. People from all parts, and from all denominations have settled in this country, and there is scarcely enough to be found of one denomination in any settlement to be able to provide for a minister,

WOMAN'S BOARD.

We congratulate the women on the discovery of a power which has been latent heretofore. The power of thorough organization is illustrated growingly in their work. About a thousand dollars have been gathered by them; of which about half has gone to Foreign Missions. And we hope that before the close of the coming year, an auxiliary will be established in twice as many churches. Their emphasis of systematic giving will do our churches good; and we commend highly the effort to pick up *much* by gathering the *littles* through persistent effort. The science of giving, and the love for it, must be learned young: and the women have that matter on their hearts!

INDIA.

To the Executive was referred the question of supporting Miss Lily Lyman. In the autumn, under commission from the American Board, she sailed from Boston for Bombay, and landed safely at her destination. She immediately began to study the language, and at the same time to teach some youth who could speak English a little. Thus she has already given nearly a year of useful service; and writes of much delight in her work. The Executive decided to furnish her outfit, and her support for the first year; the Woman's Board promising to raise as much as they could of the salary.

But as our work is opening up in Africa, the Executive do not recommend the continuance of support from this Society; hoping soon to have at our station in Africa all the workers whom we can support with the resources at hand. And this seems wiser, since there is no prospect of the Bombay station ever coming to be a Canadian field.

AFRICA.

Our missionary, Rev. W. T. Currie, has been doing some exceedingly valuable work in exploring the country, to the north, east and south of Bailundu and Bihé. The novelty of this work has been a consolation to him in his loneliness. In response to the resolution passed at the meeting of the Union a year ago, he writes:—

"I am very thankful for the sympathy expressed to the parents of my dear wife. Never parents gave to Christian missionary a daughter better calculated to be a helper in his home, his Christian life, and his missionary efforts. They made the gift cheerfully, in spite of the sacrifice involved. And when the heavy blow fell, they uttered no word of complaint against me, as grief might have prompted.

"I am thaukful also for the kind words spoken to myself. The brethren in our churches have taken hold of my heart by their great kindness, as they could not have done in any other way. I rejoice to represent them in this country, and in the good work here to be done. With such friends to hold the ropes, I am ready, if the Lord will, to descend into the darkest pit in Africa, in order to save men for Christ."

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED.

Danville	$17 00	Montreal, Calvary, $25 00	
Baddeck	7 06	" " Life	$50 00
Belwood	14 62	Membership 25 00	
Edgar	5 00	Ottawa	23 85
Essex Centre	8 00	Paris	10 75
Fergus	4 00	Roxboro'	1 96
Forest	19 27	Pine Grove	6 50
Garafraxa	19 70	Stouffville	10 00
Georgetown	4 73	Scotland (young lady)	20 00
Guelph	45 24	Toronto, Bond St.	56 00
Granby	15 00	" Zion	55 00
Humber Summit	12 50	" Western	77 70
Kincardine	10 00	" Hazelton Ave.	85 00
Lanark	30 00	" Mount Zion	26 68
Listowel	10 00	" Northern	101 46
Maxville	90 15	Ulverton	10 00
Martintown	32 55	Vankleek Hill	15 52
Middleville	5 00	Waterville	5 00

SUMS RECEIVED BY TREASURER DURING ANNUAL MEETING.

Ladies of Hawkesbury Church	$ 8 25	Belwood, Mrs. J. C. Wright	$ 1 00
Granby Auxiliary	10 00	Anonymous	5 00
Granby "Cheerful Givers M.B."	5 00	Collection, Thursday morning	15 85
Melbourne Auxiliary	10 00	" Friday afternoon	6 55
Edgar	9 00		
Forest	8 60	Total	$81 25
Membership Fee, Miss Wood	2 60		

BRANCHES.

At this second annual meeting, the following Branches were reported as organized :

GUELPH BRANCH.—Organized October 10, 1887. *President*—Mrs. J. C. Wright, Belwood. *Vice-President*—Mrs. D. McGregor, Guelph. *Secretary*—Miss Peters, Fergus. *Treasurer*—Mrs. Pedley, Fergus. *Auxiliaries reported*—Guelph, Fergus, Caledon, Garafraxa, Belwood ; Young People's Missionary Society, Edgar. *Mission Bands*—Dayspring Mission Band, Guelph ; Little Lightbearers' Mission Band, Garafraxa ; Little Earners' Mission Band, Belwood.

TORONTO BRANCH.—Organized September, 1887. *President*—Mrs. E. Barker, Toronto. *Vice-President*—Mrs. J. Burton, Toronto. *Secretary*—Mrs. A. F. McGregor, Toronto. *Treasurer*—Mrs. G. Robertson, Toronto. *Auxiliaries reported*—Toronto: Zion, Bond St., Northern, Western, Mount Zion ; Parkdale, Pine Grove, Humber Summit. *Societies not auxiliary*—Georgetown, Newmarket. *Mission Bands*—Toronto: Hazelton Avenue, Northern, Zion, Western ; "Willing Workers," Pine Grove.

OTTAWA BRANCH.—Organized December 7. 1887. *President*—Mrs. Cowan, Ottawa. *Secretary*—Miss H. Wood, Maxville. *Treasurer*—Miss A. McKillican, Vankleek Hill. *Auxiliaries reported*—Ottawa, Lanark, Maxville, Martintown, Vankleek Hill ; Young Ladies' Missionary Society, Lanark. *Mission Bands*—

CONTRIBUTIONS

TO THE

CANADA CONGREGATIONAL FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, 1887-88.

Ontario:

Alton			$2 00
Barrie			11 16
Belwood	Collections	$2 00	
	R. Y. Blyth	1 00	
	Sunday School	6 44	
	Mission Band	2 00	
	Little Earners	2 00	
			$13 44
Bolton	S. Warbrick		5 00
Bowmanville			6 89
Brantford	Young Ladies' F. M. S.		175 00
Caledon South	Bible Class		8 25
Clinton	Anonymous		5 00
Coldsprings			17 00
Embro	Ladies' Aid	$20 00	
	Sunday School	10 25	
			30 25
Frome	Sunday School		11 00
Garafraxa		$7 00	
	Little Lightbearers	2 00	
			9 00
Guelph		$39 03	
	Sunday School	10 25	
			49 28
Hamilton		$20 00	
	Sunday School	20 00	
	Miss Jessie Edgar's Class	5 00	
			45 00
Howick	9th and 12th Line Sunday Schools, in memory of late Thomas Pritchard		22 30
Humber Summit		$34 00	
	Sunday School	10 00	
			44 00
Kingston	First	$35 95	
	Sunday School	10 52	
			46 47

Toronto, Pembroke Street, Friends' Meeting House	$ 20 00
Hamilton	50 00
Watford and Warwick	15 00
Brantford	100 00
Scotland and Burford	20 00
Fergus and Speedside	20 00
Shedden	10 00
Toronto, Northern	250 00
Students of the College	25 00
Old Member, Bond Street	10 00
Mr. Parker, Bond Street	25 00
Bowmanville	15 00
A. K. Mackintosh, Bond Street	20 00
Waterville	10 00
London, Ont., Rev. H. D. Hunter	10 00
Montreal, Zion, Thos. Moodie	5 00

RECEIVED ON ACCOUNT OF DEBT FUND, 1887-88.

Toronto, Friends' Meeting House	$20 00
Danville	10 00
Kingston	25 00
Bowmanville	15 70
Toronto, Northern	250 00
Paris, Ont	25 00
Ottawa	25 00
Forest	20 00
Sarnia	22 00
Toronto, Zion Church	50 00
Athol	10 00
Georgetown	50 00
Montreal, Emmanuel	215 00
College Students	26 00
Toronto, Bond Street Church	175 00
" " Choir	25 00
" " Old Member	10 00
" " James Farquhar	25 00
" " A. K Mackintosh	20 00
Winnipeg	50 00
Toronto, Western Church and S. C. E	25 00
Hamilton	50 00
Waterville	10 00
Brantford	100 00
Fergus and Speedside	20 00
Wiarton	10 00
Shedden Church	10 00
North Toronto, Hazelton Ave	25 00

Mrs. Geo. Robertson	20 00
David Scott	1 00
T. Savage	2 00
D. Spence	1 00
A. W. Simmonds	1 00
Col. Twitchel	2 00
Geo. Thompson	1 00
Sums less than $1	1 00
	$107 50

(BETHEL).

Collections	$50 00
B. W. Robertson	50 00
	$100 00

LISTOWEL.

Mrs. McGregor	$ 1 00

LANARK.

B. Caldwell	$10 00
R. Robertson	6 00
B. W. Day	5 00
F. J. Day	5 00
Jas C. Watt	5 00
T. B. Caldwell	2 00
W. W. Craig	2 00
W. Caldwell	2 00
R. W. Robertson	1 00
Thomas Baird	1 00
Small sums	4 60
	$43 60

LONDON.

Collections	$13 75
Sunday School	19 25
Mrs. James	1 00
	$34 00

MAXVILLE AND ST. ELMO.

J. W. Kenedy	$ 4 00
D. T. Munro	50
J. J. McEwen	1 00
D. A. McEwen	1 00
P. A. McDougall	1 00
P. Munro	1 00

MARTINTOWN.

Hugh Christie, sr	$ 2 00
H. F. McDermid	2 00
A. F. McDermid	1 00
Finlay McCallum	1 00
H. P. Christie	1 00
Collection	1 50
	$ 8 50

MIDDLEVILLE, HOPETOWN AND ROSETTA.

W. Croft, sr	$ 2 00
A. R. McIntyre	14 00
James Muir	1 00
John K. Affleck	1 00
W. Stead	1 00
R. R. Affleck	1 00
Miss Maggie Angus	1 00
Miss Mary Angus	1 00
Names not given	5 00
Smaller sums and collections	5 00
	$32 00

MANILLA.

Collection	$ 5 00

NORTH ERIN.

Collection	$ 5 50

PARKDALE.

Collection	$ 7 90
Rev. C. Duff	10 00
	$17 90

PARIS.

Collection, etc	$43 20

PINE GROVE.

Rev. A. W. Gerrie	$ 4 00

tion in the College building, may with the consent of the Matron and the Principal, be received when convenient, at the rate of $1 a day for board and lodging. Also that students be at liberty to invite friends to the College table on paying twenty-five cents a meal for each."

Your Board are gratified in being able to report that the Principal, with his family, has taken possesssion of his official residence; and they trust that he and his will have very many years of domestic happiness, and of increasing usefulness and appreciation in this community in which they have taken up their abode.

Mr. Hill has kindly taken charge of the Library for another session, and reports as follows:

The Library is in better condition than a year ago, by the addition of some modern and much needed volumes, bought with the forty dollars received from the collections at the opening and closing exercises of the session.

A gift of ten volumes, and a portrait of Rev. John Angell James, was received from the late Mrs. Sarah Ketley.

A gift of 42 valuable volumes was also received from Mrs. D. Macphie, together with donations in books or money from Messrs. G. W. Moss and Archibald Moir.

Five volumes of Sessional Reports have been received from the Government, and four from the Royal Society.

There is a need of books of modern philosophy, and Bible study.

At the last annual meeting, a successful effort was made to remove the existing deficit of upwards of $1,500, on the current Expense Account, by a special subscription on the part of churches and of individuals. Of the sum subscribed, $1,540, the Treasurer reports the receipt of $1,408.70, leaving $132 still unpaid. In the Debt Account of the Treasurer's statement herewith submitted, it appears that at the beginning of the financial year 1887–88 there was due to the Endowment Fund the sum of $1,600; to meet which liability the sum of $1,408.70, raised by special subscriptions, and $182.08 cash in hand, have been paid, leaving $9.30 due on that account. The actual receipts and disbursements on account of the year just closed have been:—Receipts $6,472.85, in which are included $1,204.48 from the Colonial Missionary Society; $2,561.22, remittances from churches and individuals; $1,304.15, dividends from invested funds; $150, rent of house for three months in 1887. The total disbursements have amounted to $7,426.15, which includes $2,775 stipends to professors and

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LIFE MEMBERS.

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

Anderson, Robert, Montreal, Que.	$5,250 00
*Baker, Rev. Thomas, Hamilton, Ont.	250 00
Burland, G. B., Montreal, Que	2,500 00
Burton, P. H., Toronto, Ont.	500 00
*Caldwell, Boyd, Lanark, Ont.	500 00
Caldwell, W. C.	250 00
Carter, W. P., Cowansville, Que.	500 00
Fenwick, G. S., Kingston, Ont	500 00
*Hamilton, Norman, Paris, Ont.	500 00
Hague, George, Montreal, Que.	5,900 00
*Jackson, Joseph, Montreal, Que	4,000 00
Jamieson, R. C., Montreal, Que	400 00
Lee, Henry, Manchester, Eng.	243 00
Lyman, Henry, Montreal, Que	350 00
Lyman, Mrs. Henry, Montreal, Que.	250 00
Linton, James, Montreal, Que.	250 00
*Lyman, Benjamin, Montreal, Que.	300 00
McKeand, Mrs., Hamilton, Ont	200 00
*McLachlan, J. S., Montreal, Que	5,500 00
*Mills, J. Remington, Tunbridge Wells, Eng	243 00
*Morley, Samuel, London, Eng.	1,452 00
Robertson, B. W., Kingston, Ont.	500 00
*Robertson, George, Senr., Kingston, Ont	500 00
*Robertson, Mrs. Geo., Senr., Kingston, Ont	200 00
Scholes, F., Montreal, Que	375 00
Smillie, W. C., Poughkeepsie, N.Y.	5,000 00
Somerville, Wm., Bristol, Eng	486 00
*Spicer, James, J. P., Woodford, Essex.	487 77
*Wilkes, Rev. Dr., Montreal, Que	200 00
Wilkes, Geo. H., Brantford, Ont.	200 00

** Deceased.*

V. Branches.

The Auxiliary Societies shall, as far as possible, be organized into branches, each of which shall have its President and Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer, to be elected annually. Each branch shall report quarterly to the general Society.

VI. Auxiliaries.

Any number of ladies organized into a Missionary Society, may become auxiliary to the Board by the payment of ten dollars annually, the money to be appropriated to the Home or to the Foreign Missionary Society, as the Auxiliary may desire. Each Auxiliary Society shall be entitled to be represented at the annual meeting by one delegate for each ten dollars contributed to the treasury.

VII. Amendment.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at any annual meeting, provided one day's notice has been given in writing.

VIII. Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting shall be held at such time and place as shall from year to year be determined by the Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR BRANCHES.

I. This Association of Auxiliary Societies shall be called the ——— Branch of the Canada Congregational Woman's Board.

II. Its object shall be to band together neighboring societies, and to excite a greater interest in the work by the use of all suitable means, and especially by arranging for union meetings of the Missionary Societies as often as practicable.

III. The officers of the Branch shall be a President, Vice-Presidents (who shall be Presidents of the Auxiliaries), a Secretary and a Treasurer. The officers shall be *ex-officio* members of the General Board.

IV. The duty of the Secretary shall be to secure quarterly reports from the Auxiliaries, and to forward such reports in condensed form to the Corresponding Secretary of the Board. The Treasurer shall, in like manner, receive quarterly the contributions from the Auxiliaries and transmit them to the General Treasurer.

V. The annual meeting shall be held at such time and place as shall be agreed on by the officers.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

(OPTIONAL.)

I. This Society shall be called the ——— Auxiliary of the Canada Congregational Woman's Board of Missions.

II. The object of this Society shall be the cultivation of a missionary spirit and the collection of money for missionary purposes.

III. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

Maritime Provinces:			
Chebogue		$13 00	
	Busy Bees	18 25	
			31 25
Kingsport	Rev. Jacob Whitman		5 00
Milton			6 42
Noel			10 00
Sheffield			19 00
St. John	Sunday School		5 50
	Collection at a Union Meeting		4 37
Yarmouth			23 96
	Total for Maritime Provinces		$105 50
Manitoba:			
Portage La Prairie	Rev. A. W. Gerrie		$10 00
	Total Contributions	$1766 45	

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1880	141,402 81	911,132 93	3,881,479 14
1884	278,379 65	1,274,397 24	6,844,404 04
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