

o'clock, Mr. James Brown in the chair. After the usual devotional exercises, the following resolution in reference to the death of the Rev. Dr. Wood was submitted by the Senior Honorary Secretary and approved, with instructions that a copy be sent to Mrs. Wood:—

*Resolved*—Again, it is our sad duty to record the death of one of our number—the Rev. Enoch Wood, D.D., Senior Vice-President of this society, who was called to his rest on Tuesday, the 31st day of January last, in the 85th year of his age and 62nd year of his ministry, after a painful and protracted illness which he bore with great patience and Christian resignation.

He was called to the ministry in the Methodist Church in the year 1826, became a member of this board and was elected Vice-President in 1849, and from that date till the period when he was laid aside through physical suffering, he took a lively interest in its affairs, and exercised, especially in its early history, a great influence in its behalf.

The deceased Divine was among the early missionaries who were sent out to this country from the old land. He arrived first in New Brunswick in the year 1829, where he labored for eighteen years, and removed to Toronto in 1847, at a critical period of the history of this country, and for fifty-nine years moved through these colonies as a preacher of Truth and Righteousness. A man singularly honored of God and esteemed by men.

Dr. Wood was personally known to only a few of the present members of this board; growing infirmities inseparable from prolonged years having caused his complete retirement, which continued for about seven years prior to his death; but those who were intimate with him felt that "to know him was to love him." He was a man of great tenderness—singularly kind and gentle. He occupied positions of honor and responsibility in the church of his choice, having been for a long period Superintendent of missions, and having filled the conference presidential chair for nine years (seven years consecutively), during which he became distinguished as an able administrator and wise counsellor. His death removes one of the most faithful and energetic Christian workers from the field of toil. From life's meridian and even down to near its close, he was the subject of sore bereavement, through which he was graciously sustained, and the gathering shades of life's eventide were beautifully illumined by the light of a steadfast Christian faith. This board desires to tender to his sorrowing widow and family its sincere expressions of sympathy in this hour of their deep affliction, and prays that the abounding consolations of Divine Grace may be supplied to them, while they look forward to that glad morning, when the sorrows of the past shall be but "as a dream when one awaketh."

A report from the Joint Committee on Agency and Colportage in Manitoba and the North-West Territories was submitted and approved.

The following resolution concerning the departure of the Rev. P. McF. McLeod, one of the directors, to take up his residence in Victoria, B. C., was unanimously agreed to:—

"That this meeting desires to place on record its appreciation of the interest and work of the Rev. P. McF. McLeod, for this Upper Canada Bible Society, its regret at his departure, and its hope that the Divine Blessing may accompany him to his new field of labor."

A report from the Agency and Colportage committee, on the general work of agency and Colportage during the past month, was read and approved.

A letter from Mrs. Nelles was read, thanking the Board for its expressions