## PROCEEDINGS

## OF THE

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY,

Held on Tuesday, October 14th, 1879,

IN THE DOMINION CHURCH, OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

W. E. DAWSON, Esq., MAYOR OF CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., IN THE CHAIR.

The Meeting was opened with devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. GEO. MCRITCHIE, President of the Montreal Conference.

An Abstract of the Report having been read by the Rev. Dr. SUTHERLAND, General Secretary, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Meeting:--

I.-Moved by the Rev. JOHN SHAW, President of the Toronto Conference, and seconded by A. J. DONLY, Esq., of Simcoe, Ontario:-

That the Report, an Abstract of which has now been read, be adopted, printed, and circulated.

- II.- Moved by the Rev. S. D. RICE, D.D., Vice-President of the General Conference, and seconded by JAMES B. MORROW, Esq., of Halifax, Nova Scotia:-
  - This Meeting rejoices in the peaceful and generally prosperous condition of the Missionary Churches connected with this Society, and avows its entire dependence upon the Divine blessing upon all its Agencies and Ordinances to accomplish the conversion of souls to Christ, and thereby promote His glory, and secure human happiness.
- III.—Moved by the Rev. JAMES DOVE, President of the Newfoundland Conference, and seconded by the REV. JOHN MCDOUGALL, Chairman of the Saskatchewan District:—
  - Whilst regretting the diminished income of the Society for the past year, and the consequent addition to the embarrassing debt formerly reported, this Meeting expresses its gratitude to Almighty God for the hearty and cheerful manner in which the proposition to form a "*Relief and Extension Fund*" has been received by the Methodist Churches and Congregations throughout the Dominion of Canada, and in Bermuda and Newfoundland, to relieve the Treasury of its burden, and place additional means at the disposal of the Central Board for the extension of the work of God in destitute settlements and heathen lands.
- IV.—Moved by the Rev. E. A. STAFFORD, Chairman of the Ottawa District, and seconded by the Rev. ROBERT DUNGAN, Chairman of the Sackville District, New Brunswick:—
  - The thanks of this Meeting are presented to the Officers of the Society for the successful management of its affairs during the year; to all Ministers and others who have advocated the Society's claims; to Collectors, adult and juvenile; to the Officers, Teachers, and Youths of Sabbath Schools; and to all who have generously assisted in making up the Society's ncome.

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