

The churches of this Association do tender their deep and heartfelt sympathy to the family and relatives of the deceased with whom in the midst of weeping they rejoice in the christian assurance that his spirit is now in happy communion with the innumerable company of the redeemed.

Professor Chipman, in the absence of J. W. Nutting, Esq., the Secretary, presented an abstract of the proceedings of the Education Society for the year.

Moved and seconded that the Report presented by Professor Chipman be adopted.

The Financial Agent, Rev. J. Chase, also gave a brief account of the financial affairs.

The following Resolutions were then passed:

1. *Resolved*, That the Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society in this their first annual meeting after a transfer of Acadia College to the Baptist Convention of the three Provinces, and at this the first session of the Central Association of Nova Scotia, desire as usual, to give expression to their views of the various necessities of the Education cause as it lies in their hands, and summon their renewed energies to the great work of diffusing knowledge through the instrumentalities which they have in charge, if possible with more determination than ever.

2. *Resolved*, That this Society are deeply impressed with the imperative obligations which rest upon all, by virtue of their constitution by the Creator, to acquire knowledge and mental cultivation, and with the consequent criminality of those who hold in light esteem their intellectual and moral character; that the providing of means of sound instruction for the whole population of a country, is a dictate alike of an elevated christianity and a lofty patriotism, and that all who have any just views of the capacity of the human soul, and the dignity of human nature, all lovers of Zion, and especially all heads of families and guardians of youth, are solemnly called upon before the Judge of the world to see to it, that their consciences are clear in this matter, before the great awards of eternity receive proclamation.

3. *Resolved*, That this Society retains all the regard which it has ever had for enlightened education in all its departments, collegiate, academical, or primary; that it still attaches a high importance to the relations which it has with the common school instruction of the country, and with academical training, and through both with the enlightenment of the mass; that it looks also with deep and powerful interest to its connection with the College, and through it, with more advanced learning and enlarged mental action.

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