

brought by Brother David Dize, be received, and a delegation of Ministers be appointed to investigate matters concerning the difficulties of their Church.

Moved by Rev. George R. Neal, Seconded by Rev. Henry Jackson, That the Minutes of the Dartmouth and Halifax Churches, as regards Rev. Benson Smithers's case, be received, and that he be excluded from our Association. (Adopted.)

Further *and further* It is the opinion of this Association, from the evidence adduced, that he, the said Rev. Benson Smithers, has been guilty of immoral conduct on several occasions; therefore his credentials from this body, authorizing him to perform the duties of a Clergyman, be annulled from this date.)

Moved by Thomas Jones, Seconded by Rev. J. E. Jackson, That the eleven members who gave in their names to follow Smithers be expelled, and their names be inserted in our Minutes. (Adopted.)

Resolved, That the Rev. James Thomas, Rev. G. R. Neal and John R. Thomas superintend the printing of the Minutes.

Voted, That John R. Thomas write the Circular Letter. Prayer by David Dize. Adjourned.

Met at 2 o'clock, p. m.—Meeting called to order by the Chairman. Financial affairs settled satisfactorily. Adjourned.

Met at 7 o'clock, p. m.—Preaching by Brother David Dize, from 14th chapter of John, 15th verse; followed by Brothers Wilmot, Roan, Jones, Butler, and all our ministering brethren. After which the Doxology was sung, and the congregation joined hands.

Prayer being offered up by the Rev. Henry Jackson, we separated to meet with the Hammond Plains Church on the last Saturday in September, 1868.