

and two of \$100. Agents' reports were submitted from the Revs. J. G. Manly, W. R. Parker, J. L. Murray, John Gemley, T. W. Jeffery, A. A. Drummond, Dr. Hcdgkin, S. Kappeler, and E. M. C. Botterill.

The schedule of colportage for the month, the list of gratuities and other routine matters were disposed of, and the meeting closed with prayer led by the Rev. A. H. Baldwin.

The Directors met again on Tuesday, March 20th, at the usual hour, the Rev. Dr. Rose, Vice-President, in the chair. After the Rev. A. Gilray had led the meeting in prayer and the minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed, a letter from W. B. McMurrich, Esq., and some other communications were read. It was moved by James Brown, Esq., and seconded by A. T. Crombie, Esq.,

"That the Trustees of the Jarvis-street Baptist Church and the Metropolitan Church be respectfully requested to grant the use of their churches for the preaching of the Annual Sermon, and for the Anniversary Meeting, on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 8th and 9th of May." Carried.

The Permanent Secretary submitted the following Report from the Standing Committee on Agency and Colportage:—

"The Standing Committee on Agency and Colportage beg to submit to the Board the accompanying Report from the Rev. W. W. Ross of his visit to Manitoba on behalf of the Society. It is both interesting and encouraging, and your Committee would now ask authority to appoint an Agent and a Colporteur in that Province on the terms recommended by Mr. Ross, with any modification that further correspondence may shew to be desirable.

"Although this has been an expensive piece of agency, owing to great distances and high rates; yet as Mr. Ross has given his time and labour entirely gratuitously, your Committee would recommend that the hearty thanks of the Board of Directors be tendered to him for his zealous and efficient services, and that he be elected a life member of the Society.

"All which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

"WM. REID,

Chairman."

"March 20th, 1883.

Moved by John K. Macdonald, Esq., and seconded by Herbert Mortimer, Esq.,

"That the Report be received and adopted, and that power be given to the Agency Committee to carry out the recommendations contained therein." Carried unanimously.

Moved by Warring Kennedy, Esq., and seconded by Rev. S. J. Hunter,

"That the thanks of the Directors are due, and are tendered hereby, to the Rev. W. W. Ross, for his gratuitous, self-denying and faithful services in the Province of Manitoba, so recently given in the interests of the Upper Canada Bible Society, and for the valuable information imparted in his very lucid and satisfactory report as to the requirements of that new and growing province and our duties in relation thereto. They beg to congratulate Mr. Ross on his success, and heartily concur in the recommendation of the Agency and Colportage Committee that he be elected a life member of the Society."