

Tuesday evening, 28th June, the Board met at 7.30 o'clock. The Hon. Wm. McMaster in the chair. The Rev. J. Fielding Sweeney opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The committee appointed to consider the request of the Ontario Booksellers and Stationers' Association to advance the price on Bibles, &c., reported verbally to the Board that the matter was still under consideration. A report from the Agency and Colportage Committee was submitted and approved. Letters were read from the Ven. Archdeacon Cowley, thanking the Board for the 100 Testaments granted to him for distribution in St. Peter's reserve, Manitoba; and from the Rev. R. Jamieson, of New Westminster, B.C., acknowledging receipt of \$75, being for one month's salary of a colporteur. A grant of fifty Bibles was made to the Victoria Industrial School. The auditors reported having examined the accounts for the year and found them correct. The special committee appointed to wait upon the Winnipeg Branch reported that, after conferring with the officers of that society, it was decided that they should embody their views in a memorial to be submitted to this Board. The ordinary business was then attended to, and after prayer, led by the Rev. E. A. Stafford, the Board adjourned for the summer months, to meet, as usual, in September.

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The usual monthly meeting of the Board was held on Tuesday evening, 20th September, at 7.30 o'clock. D. Higgins, Esq., in the chair. After devotional exercises, led by Rev. Dr. Thomas, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The Permanent Secretary presented a report from the Agency and Colportage Committee, which was adopted. A memorial from the Winnipeg Branch was submitted, showing the lack of circulation of general religious literature, suggesting the establishment of a distributing centre for said purpose and requesting the earnest attention of this Board to this matter. The question was referred to a special committee for report. The following resolution was passed unanimously:—"That this Board feel constrained to place on record their deep sympathy with their old and respected member, J. K. Macdonald, Esq., in his late affliction—the loss, by accidental shooting, of a much-loved boy. They commend their brother to Him who bindeth up the broken heart and gathereth His own unto Himself." A letter from His Excellency, the Governor-General, was read, thanking the U. C. Bible Society, on behalf of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, for the dutiful and loyal congratulations contained in the address presented on the occasion of this Jubilee year of her reign. The following grants were made:—Six Hebrew Testaments to Rev. T. S. Ellerby and 25 English Bibles for the News Boys' Lodgings. The employment of the gospel waggon for colportage work was discussed and it was resolved to co-operate with the Upper Canada Tract Society in any use to be made of it. The usual routine proceedings were gone through and the meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. J. Burton.