

Bible Society Recorder.

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BOARD MEETINGS.

The usual monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Tuesday evening, the 15th January, W. B. Geikie, Esq., M.D., in the chair. After the opening devotional exercises and the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, a resolution of condolence with the Senior Honorary Secretary, Warring Kennedy, Esq., on the occasion of the death of his estimable wife, was unanimously adopted. A report from the Agency and Colportage Committee was presented and approved. A letter from the Rev. E. J. Stobo, Secretary of the Quebec Auxiliary, was submitted and ordered to be filed. The Secretary read a letter from the Rev. W. M. Paull, Honorary Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society, asking for a reduction of fifty per cent. on price of Bibles needed for railway mission work, same as allowed by the Parent Society. The request was granted. A letter was read from J. G. Boyd, Esq., Secretary of the Vernonville Branch, informing the Board of the appointment of Mr. Platt Hinman as its representative at the General Board, in accordance with Article 5 of the By-laws.

A statement of the expenses of Colportage in Manitoba during the nine months just ended was submitted. It was decided to credit the U. C. Tract Society with the amount conformably with resolution passed on the 21st February last. A letter from Mr. J. Grant Mackay, of Calgary, was presented regarding the circulation of religious literature. It was referred to a Special Committee, with instructions to act with a like Committee to be asked for from the U. C. Tract Society, for the purpose of fully considering the question of further prosecution of Colportage in Manitoba and the North-West, and reporting thereon to each respective Board. The following grants of Scriptures were made:—24 Bibles to the Rescue Home, 72 Testaments to Indian schools, through the Methodist Missionary Society, and 60 Bibles to the Victoria Industrial School, at Mimico. The Permanent Secretary reported a donation of \$50 to this Society from George Dawson, Esq., of Brampton, who was appointed a life member. It was decided that the annual meeting be held on Wednesday, the 22nd May next. The Depository's Cash Account, the statement of Balances, list of Gratuities, schedule of Colportage, and Agents' and Colporteurs' reports for the month were submitted, and the meeting was closed with prayer, led by the Rev. John Burton.

The Board met again on Tuesday evening, the 19th February, the Rev. W. S. Blackstock in the chair. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. E. A. Stafford. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. A letter was read from the Hon. G. W. Allan, the President, regretting his inability to attend recent meetings of the Board, owing to his absence at Ottawa during the session of Parliament, and expressing his good wishes for the welfare of the Society. A letter was read from Warring Kennedy, Esq., Senior Honorary Secretary, thankfully acknowledging receipt of the copy of the resolution of condolence from the Board on the occasion of the death of his wife. A report from the Agency and Colportage Committee was submitted and approved. Letters were read from the following, viz.:—Rev. Mr. Stobo, of Quebec, which was ordered to be filed; from Mr. MacKinnon, Superintendent of the Industrial School at Mimico, thanking the Board for its grant of Bibles: from the Rev. C. W. Watch, of Cannington, applying for a Bible for use in the Mechanics' Institute, granted; from Mr. Edward Taylor, Secretary, asking for one hundred Bibles for the Prisoners'