

Scotia Association, and in case of failure, Elder Doyle, and that the sum of six pounds be given to defray his expenses.

That John T. Smith, and John Mann be requested to superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that twelve hundred copies be printed.

RESOLVED, That a vote of thanks be given to the friends at Springfield for their kind hospitality during the present session.

P. S. The sum of £3 7s. 4d. mentioned in the Minutes of last year as being received, but the name of the person from whom it was received omitted, was, we have since learned, paid in by Elder David Crandall, as amount collected at Springfield in aid of the Missionary funds, and that the sum of £1 13s. 7d. was also paid in by Elder David Crandall on account of the Church at Upham, but was included in the general amount of donations, without naming the Church from which it was received. Such omissions do sometimes occur from the hurry of business at the time; the sums are, however, always included in the amount of monies received, and the omissions will in all cases be noticed in the Minutes for the subsequent year, provided satisfactory explanation be given.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

DEAR BRETHERN,

In this our annual Epistle we purpose to address you upon a subject of vast importance—the *duty of the Christian to direct his talents, energies and property, to send the Message of redeeming mercy to every creature.*

Our first argument is founded on the *command of Christ*, “*Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.*” It is customary with men, on the decease of any individual, however obscure, to give immediate information to relations and friends; and when great men die, the account of their death is published throughout the world. How astonishing is it, then, that though the Son of God lived in this world three and thirty years, and died on the cross for the salvation of mankind, those who claim relationship to Him have never given themselves the trouble to send the tidings of his death to all who are concerned in it! An Apostle has assured us, “that there is no other name whereby men can be saved but the name of Jesus,” and yet for eighteen centuries thousands of immortal souls have been daily departing from this world without even hearing of that Name! It is fearful to think of the guilt that rests somewhere in thus neglecting the Saviour’s *last* command. The thoughts of this should give new impulse to our exertions, and lead us to think on our great responsibility. Men generally attend with religious fidelity to the last injunctions of a beloved relative or friend, even though the things be trivial concerning

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