

That the churches at Westchester and Newport, be advised to unite in receiving brethren T. S. Harding, Manning, Bill, Chipman, and Rand, a council of ministering brethren, to enquire into the circumstances of the case referred, and give them their advice and christian counsel in the present difficulty, and that the Council meet at Newport on Wednesday the 25th September next.

In reply to the brethren at Folly Mountain, that the Association do request bro. T. S. Harding when on his mission to Onslow, to visit those brethren, and enquire more fully into their state and circumstances, and report whether he judge it advisable that they should be received as a church in connection with the association.

This committee recommend to the respective bodies into which the 2nd Clement's church is divided, to endeavor to agree in a council of ministering brethren to whom the difficulty between them may be referred, and as both parties address the association on the same subject, they hope there will be no difficulty in their agreeing to a council as here recommended.

The above report having been received, it is thereupon resolved, that this association do adopt the foregoing recommendations of the committee.

Resolved, That this association do deeply deplore the great loss which the cause of God generally, and the denomination in particular, have sustained, in the sudden and unexpected removal by death of our much respected brother in Christ, the late Rev. James Munro, whose devoted life, in conjunction with his wise councils and faithful ministry, gave him a place in the confidence and affections of his brethren, and which made him an invaluable blessing to his family, to the church, and to the world.

Resolved, That it is exceedingly desirable that an agent be appointed in Halifax, through whom the Sabbath Schools in the country may receive books for the use of said schools, and that bro. John W. Barss be requested to act as such agent.

The committee appointed at the late association to visit the church at Lunenburg, report as follows:—That they have addressed to that church the following advice, viz. "After examining as carefully as possible the circumstances with which the church is afflicted, this committee cannot deviate from the counsel given them by the former committee sent by the association, and they do now seriously advise them to adhere thereto most strictly.

The committee feel it their duty to say, that in their opinion such members as do not adhere to the advice given cannot be considered as members in regular standing, and therefore such as do receive the counsel referred to, should be considered the church.*

In reference to difficulties that may have arisen between part of the church and their former Pastor Elder Parker, the committee do not feel themselves called on to express an opinion, as Elder Parker is not now a member of the church; but the Committee would hope that whatever alienation may have arisen, a consideration of his

*The state of the Lunenburg church, as given in the Table, was made by the Clerk in conformity with this resolution.

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