

coming for them ; but carried from house to house over weary roads in cold and heat, and the purchasers induced to buy, and as much as possible induced to read, the colporteur endeavouring to coax an appetite in sin-sick souls for the wholesome food of God's Word, we cannot but feel that it is a noble record of faithful toil, which cannot fail to reap its reward.

His wife, to whom he was married by the Revd. Jos. Lowry above mentioned, survives him with two sons and two daughters. One daughter, Mrs. Ashby, in whose house he died, lives in Toronto ; the other daughter and the sons live close to the homestead in the township of Aldborough, County of Elgin, where the venerable form of the aged labourer has been laid to rest until "the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God."

BOARD MEETINGS.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, the 21st of February, at 7.30 P.M. Warring Kennedy Esq., in the chair. The meeting was opened with prayer led by the Rev. John Burton. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the following minute was unanimously adopted in reference to the decease of the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, "The Board of Directors of The Upper Canada Bible Society desire to express their sorrow at hearing of the death of one of its Vice Presidents," the venerable and Reverend Dr. Egerton Ryerson, which took place last Sunday morning, and terminated a long and extremely active life in the ministry of the Gospel, and in the public service. Of late the infirmities of age, and in former years the great demands of his public duties, prevented Dr. Ryerson from attendance at the regular meetings of the Board; but all through the history of the Society he has always been in hearty sympathy with its aims and operations. Five years ago, in the absence of the President, he, at the request of the Board, took the chair at the public anniversary meeting of the Society, and referred with pride to his connexion with it for nearly half a century, and to a speech he delivered at its first anniversary in 1830.

"Having been a Vice President for seventeen years and being so well known as a public man, and as a representative of the Methodist Church, his name will be greatly missed from this honour roll of the Society."

A letter was read from Mr. Andrew Hamilton, in reference to the wants of those in Muskoka, who had suffered from the fires, and it was ordered that Mr. Badger should be sent to that district with instructions to be very free in gratuitous distribution of the Scriptures among the needy. Agents' reports were submitted from the Revs. J. G. Manly, E. Cockburn, W. R. Parker, J. Gemley, A. M. Phillips, J. L. Murray, and J. Davidson; and Colporteurs' reports from Messrs. Jackson and Ness.

The meeting was closed with prayer led by the Rev. W. S. Blackstock.

The Board met again on Tuesday, March 21st., at the usual hour, the Rev. Dr. Rose in the chair. The Rev. J. M. Cameron read a portion of Scripture, and the Rev. S. J. Hunter led in prayer.

The following resolution was then read and unanimously adopted in reference to the death of the Minute-Secretary, Mr. Alexander Christie.

"At their first meeting since the death of their esteemed Minute Secretary, Alexander Christie, Esq., the Board of Directors desire to record their deep sense of the loss the Society has sustained by his removal from this scene of labour.

"Having been a Director of the Society ever since the year 1849, and having been throughout these thirty-three years one of the most constant attendants at the meetings of the Board, his presence will be much missed for a long