

TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

British American Book and Tract Society.

The Twelfth Annual Meeting was held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Halifax, Thursday evening, February 26th, at half-past seven o'clock, p. m., the President, Thos. A. Brown, Esq., in the chair.

After singing, and reading the 17th Chapter of the Gospel by John, the Rev. Thos. Duncan led the meeting in prayer.

The President in a few brief remarks referred to the progress and usefulness of the Society's work. An abstract of the Annual Report was read by the Secretary.

The Rev. S. B. Dunn, of the Grafton St. Wesleyan Church, moved the following resolution, which was seconded by the Rev. Allan Simpson, of the Poplar Grove Presbyterian Church:—

Resolved,—That the Twelfth Annual Report, an abstract of which has been read, be adopted and published, under the direction of the Executive Committee, that we devoutly recognize the goodness of God in the continued usefulness of the Society, and that the Board of Directors for the ensuing year be as follows:—(Names on the third page.)

After singing a hymn, the Rev. Dr. Burns, of Fort Massey Presbyterian Church, moved, and the Rev. E. M. Saunders, of Granville St. Baptist Church, seconded the following:—

Resolved,—That the circulation of the Periodicals issued from the Society's Depository, and the distribution of Tracts are most important instrumentalities for forestalling a pernicious literature, for the removal of error, and the promotion of true religion, and that the Pastors of Churches, officers of Sabbath Schools, teachers, parents and christian men and women in every city, town and neighborhood in our land, be earnestly requested to co-operate with the Society in promoting these objects.

The Rev. Dr. Hill, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, moved, and Mr. H. J. Furneaux, Colporteur from Newfoundland, seconded the following resolution. (W. C. Bill, Esq., M.P.P., who was to have seconded it being unavoidably absent):—

Resolved,—That Union Missionary Colportage as conducted by this Society, is a most useful agency for the wide dissemination of Evangelical truth and diffusion of Scriptural knowledge among the masses, and for the promotion of the interests of vital godliness and sound morality throughout our borders; and that it is worthy of the fullest confidence and most liberal support of Christian individuals and churches.

After singing the Doxology the Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Thos. Duncan, and the meeting adjourned.

THE past year has been one of great activity and benevolence. A large number of Colporters, through their labors, have secured much good acknowledgment from the Society.

We deeply thank the Government of Harbor Grace for the liberal support they have given.

Mr. Murdoch, of St. John's, was removed to the Ministry. The Cape Breton Colporters have made personal efforts, and the books have been distributed to the impenitent. The successful mission to Christ. A. in 1873, which was held on Island and

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