## Bible Society Recorder.

TORONTO, 1st JANUARY, 1886.

## BOARD MEETINGS.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board was held on Thursday afternoon, the 22nd of October, in the offices of the Confederation Life Assurance Co., Toronto Street, the President in the chair. After the opening devotional exercises led by Rev. J. Fielding Sweeney, the minutes of the two previous meetings were read and confirmed.

Rev. Dr. Potts stated that he had been deputed to express the views of the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society, which are in the direction of the necessity of increased effort to disseminate the Word of God in the North-West. It was ordered that the matter be referred to the Agency and Colportage Committee.

A recommendation from Rev. J. McDonald, that a depository be opened at Bancroft, was disposed of in like manner.

A letter was read from Mr. Wilson, Secretary of the Cobourg Branch, suggesting that the Dominion Government be petitioned to remove the duty on Bibles and Testaments.

The warm thanks of the Board were heartily given to Hon. William Mc-Master for his noble gift towards the building fund of \$452, the amount of his parliamentary extra sessional allowance, said sum being additional to his original subscription.

A Committee was appointed to draft a resolution in reference to the death of the Earl of Shaftesbury, President of the British and Foreign Bible Society, with instructions to forward a copy of same to the Parent Society.

Mrs. Margaret E. Wood's application for twenty-five copies of the Scriptures for the Haven, was granted.

It was decided that during the erection of the new building, the Board shall meet in the offices of the Confederation Life Association, in the afternoon at 4 o'clock.

A report from the Agency and Colportage Committee, and the list of gratuities for August and September, were read and approved; and the meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Potts.

The Board held its regular monthly meeting in the offices of the Confederation Life Association, at 4 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, the 17th November. Hon. William McMaster in the chair.