

At that meeting an influential Committee was appointed, and the sum of £85, then in the Savings Bank, being proceeds of sale of lands presented to the Incorporation by Mr. Merritt, was appropriated to this object. At the ensuing Annual Meeting in June, 1859, this Committee partially reported that they considered the idea of erecting a permanent brick or stone building would have to be abandoned, as the cost would be too great; and that they had under consideration the idea of a temporary wooden building which could be used at other times as a gymnasium.

At the annual meeting in June, 1860, no action was taken in the matter, and the subject remained in abeyance until the meeting of June, 1861, when the following committee was appointed to raise funds for the object: Dr. Almon, Dr. King, J. C. Cogswell, D.C.L., P. C. Hill, D.C.L., H. Hartshorne, D.C.L., A. M. Uniacke, D.C.L., Rev. Prof. Hensley, M. A., Rev. G. W. Hill, M. A., Sec'y. Your Committee feel that the thanks of this Association are justly due to that Committee for the manner in which they have discharged the arduous duties which devolved upon them. The result of their labours being a subscription list of £1800, the most of which has been paid up.

The foundation of the building was commenced in the autumn of 1861—and a special general meeting of the Alumni was called at Halifax on the 12th April, 1862, to receive the report of the Building Committee. At that meeting plans and specifications were submitted, and a resolution was passed adopting the same (with the exception of the tower) and authorizing the Committee to enter into the necessary contracts, with Mr. Lang, to construct the building for the sum of £2,250. A resolution was also passed pledging the funds of the Association for the payment of the contract, and indemnifying the committee from any personal liability.

At the last annual meeting the Building Committee reported progress, and a resolution was passed directing the roof to be slated, and the ceiling to be open worked, which alterations involved an additional expense of £155. A Committee was also appointed, consisting of Dr. King, Prof. Hensley, Judge Bliss, Dr. Cogswell,