

Street West Methodist Church, on the Lord's Day preceding the Annual Meeting; and that application be made for the use of St. James' Square Presbyterian Church, Gerrard Street East, for the approaching anniversary of the Society.

Dr. Hodgins made the motion of which he gave notice at last Board meeting, for the calling of a general meeting of the Society to adopt the amended by-laws, which motion was adopted. It was also agreed that the report of the committee on the proposed code of By-laws be printed in the *March Recorder*, for the information of the Branches; and that a circular be sent to the Branches, notifying them of the general meeting of the Society referred to. The usual routine business was transacted, and grants made, and the meeting was then closed with prayer by Rev. Mr. Clarkson.

The committee appointed "to draw up a code of Rules for the future government of the proceedings of the Board of Directors, and to suggest such alterations in the Constitution as may be considered desirable," beg to report and recommend that the necessary steps be taken to have the Constitution of the Society so amended that it may read as follows:

BY-LAWS OF THE UPPER CANADA BIBLE SOCIETY.

[UNDER THE ACT OF INCORPORATION.]

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be denominated the "UPPER CANADA BIBLE SOCIETY," having the same object in view as the British and Foreign Bible Society—that is, the circulation of the Bible, without note or comment.

II. This Society shall endeavour to unite all Bible Societies in the Province, and to concentrate their operations, in order to give more efficiency to the whole.

III. This Society shall maintain, in the City of Toronto, a general depot of Bibles and Testaments, from which all Societies in connexion with it shall be supplied with the Scriptures, at the lowest price at which they can be afforded.

IV. The business of the Society shall be carried on by a Board of Directors, to consist of a President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and Secretaries, together with twenty clerical and twenty lay members, five of whom shall form a quorum. The five clerical and five lay members who shall have attended the least number of meetings of the Board shall not be eligible for re-election; except in cases where the non-attendance has arisen from illness or absence from the country, in which cases the Board may nominate such member or members for re-election.

V. Each Branch Society shall be entitled to a representative on the General Board. The President of the Branch shall be *ex officio* such representative, or any other resident member whom the Committee may appoint as a substitute, who shall be a member of such Branch.

VI. At any meeting of the Directors, the President, or, in his absence, the Vice-President first upon the list then present, and in absence of such Vice-President, the Treasurer, and in his absence such member as shall be chosen for that purpose, shall preside.

VII. Each person paying annually one dollar shall be a member of this Society; and persons paying fifty dollars at any one time, either to this Society or to any of the Societies in connexion therewith, or through them to the British and Foreign Bible Society, or who may have rendered important services, shall, at the discretion of the Directors, be declared Life Members.

VIII. Each Life member of this Society shall be furnished with a certificate of membership, under the corporate seal of the Society, duly signed by the President and Secretaries.