

during the year (Union): number of teachers, 12; number of scholars, 90; average, 80; number of volumes in library, 120. Therefore, while we regret that we have to report so little prosperity and progress on the whole—so small additions to churches, and some spiritual declension, we also feel, considering our position, advantages and circumstances, that we have no reason to complain, but abundant reason to praise God for great goodness to us.

We have appointed to sit with you in Conference the following brethren:—Lewis Minard, E. E. Letson, E. McPherson, J. H. Philp, Lenord Huntly, Wainor Cox, G. E. Whitney.

In conclusion, may the Holy Spirit direct, assist, comfort and sanctify in all your deliberations.

T. O. DeWITT, *Harmony Q. M. Clerk.*

Caledonia, Sept. 1876.

Resolved, That the Report be received and engrossed in the Minutes.

Resolved, That this Conference hereby express its thanks to the Maine Central Yearly Meeting for complying with the request of our Clerk, upon the failure of our delegate to attend their Yearly Meeting, in sending a delegate to this Conference in the person of Rev. C. B. Peekham, whom we gladly welcome.

The recommendation of the last Session of the Yarmouth and Shelburne Quarterly Meeting regarding the Halifax Mission, was presented, and then it was—

Resolved, That the consideration of the matter be taken now.

Rev. J. M. Lowden, Pastor of the Church, made some very encouraging remarks. About eleven hundred dollars (\$1100) have been raised by and through the efforts of the Church itself. Stirring remarks were made by Revs. J. I. Porter, J. T. Parsons, J. L. Phillips, W. Downey, S. N. Royal, T. O. DeWitt, and B. Minard. Also, Bros. Burk, Philp, and Weston.

Resolved, That J. I. Porter, J. M. Lowden, W. Downey, B. B. Woodworth, and B. G. Covell, be a Committee to prepare and recommend ways and means to aid the Halifax Church.

Resolved, That we adjourn until Friday, at 10 o'clock.

EVENING. Preaching. Sermon by Rev. B. Minard, after which several took part. A very interesting and profitable season was enjoyed.