FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

CANADA FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The first annual meeting of the Canada Foreign Missionary Society was held in Zion Church on Tuesday evening, 22nd March, 1859,—
John Redpath, Esq., President, in the chair; devotional exercises by Rev. Dr. Wilkes. The Report was presented by Mr. T. M. Taylor, who also moved, seconded by W. C. Baynes, A.M.:—

That the Report now read be adopted and printed, and that the following General flower of Management of the Society for the ensuing year: (See next page.)

Moved by the Rev. Dr. WILKES, Seconded by Rev. J. B. BONAR:-

2nd. Resolved—That in view of the communications just read, and of intelligence which reaches us in various ways from Turkey, this meeting desires to express its deep sense of the singularly inviting and hopeful character of the Turkish Mission field, and, therefore, atrongly commends the Turkish department of this Society's effort.

Moved by Principal Dawson, Seconded by A. Morris, A.M.:-

3rd. Resolved—That this meeting regards with much satisfaction the results, so far; of the Society's Mission to Labrador, and feels that to us of Canada comes home the cry of the people there—Don't forget the Labrador Coast; and that, therefore, this department also of the Society's work has strong claims upon the sympathy and support of the friends of missions here.

Moved by Mr. Dotgall, Seconded by Rev. Dr. WILKES:-

4th. Resolved—That recognizing the claims of our Indian Tribes upon us, this meeting approves of the determination of the Board to found a mission on the shores of Lake Huron, where there are now some 2000 people still in their pagan condition, and quite open to missionary effort; and this meeting asks for special contributions to sustain this particular mission.

Moved by Mr. E. T. TAYLOR, Seconded by Mr. D. P. JANES:-

5th. Resolved—(It being already provided by the Constitution that annual subscribers of five dollars shall be annual members.) That the following provisions be added to the Constitution of this Society:

That life-members of this Society be such persons as-subscribe to the Constitution, and have already paid, or may yet pay, in one sum, fifty dollars or upwards to its funds.

That all ministers of the gospel, who subscribe to the Constitution, shall be

members of this Society without, necessarily, any money qualification.

That Ladies' Associations, and other local Associations, co-operating with
this Society and acting through it, may be received by vote of an annual meeting of the Society, as auxiliaries.

Moved and seconded by the same.

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And Resolved.—That the Ladies' Missionary Association of Zion Church in its Foreign Missionary department, be now received as an Auxiliary of this Society.

The Meeting was then closed with Doxology and Benediction.