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ANNUAL MEETING.

The Twenty-Eighth Annual Meeting of the British American Book and Tract Society was held at the Society's Depository on Tuesday, Feby. 11th, 1896, at 4 P. M. The President, W. C. Silver, Esq., in the chair. Devotional exercises were led by Rev. T. Watson Smith, D. D. Rev. Robert Murray read an abstract of the Report for 1895.

The PRESIDENT spoke briefly of the beneficial results arising from the circulation of a healthy Christian literature and stated that probably not less than 200,000 people had received and read the Society's publications during the year.

He called upon REV. A. GANDIER to move the first resolution:

That the Report, an abstract of which has been read, be adopted and printed for circulation amongst contributors to the Society's funds.

MR. GANDIER commended the report, and especially the portion relating to Newfoundland and Labrador. The accompanying map of Newfoundland brings vividly to mind the condition of that great colony with its fringe of small settlements far away from centres and not easily gathered into congregations. These people for the most part are but very poorly supplied with literature of any kind. Many are without any books. Colportage is the only method for overtaking the necessities of the field.

The motion was seconded by Rev. Dr. Smith, who expressed his approval of the report. He had himself visited the Magdalen Islands with a view to having a few days of rest. But the spiritual destitution was urgent and he had to break through the rules laid down for himself. He arrived at the