

# FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

## British American Book and Tract Society.

The Fifth Annual Meeting of the Society was held in Temperance Hall, Halifax, March 4th, at 8 o'clock, P. M.,—Thos. A. Brown, Esq., President, in the Chair.

After singing the Hymn,

“Our blessed Bond of Union,”

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. Fraser Campbell, pastor of the Richmond Presbyterian Church.

An abstract of the Annual Report was presented by the Secretary.

Rev. J. K. Smith, Pastor of Fort Massey Presbyterian Church, moved, and Peter Lynch, Esq., seconded,—

*Resolved*,—That the Annual Report, an abstract of which has now been presented, be adopted and published under the direction of the Executive Committee, and that the officers for the ensuing year be as follow :—

President, T. A. Brown; Vice Presidents, Rev. G. W. Hill, Rev. John Forrest, Rev. J. E. Goucher, Rev. John Read; Treasurer, George H. Starr; Auditors, R. N. Beckwith, Joseph Bell; Directors, J. S. Maclean, Rev. R. Murray, Hon. D. McN. Parker, D. Blackwood, D. Henry Starr, W. Roche, Junr., W. Montgomery, W. B. McNutt, Rev. E. M. Saunders, Rev. A. Simpson, Edward Binney, Jairus Hart, Rev. J. F. Campbell, J. B. Morrow, W. H. Wiswell, B. H. Collins, P. C. Hill, C. D. Hunter, J. F. L. Parsons, Rev. J. K. Smith.

The Hymn, “Work! for the night is coming,” was then sung.

The Rev. John Read, of Grafton St. Wesleyan Church, and the Rev. John Campbell, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, spoke on “Tract Distribution;” the Rev. C. B. Pitblado, of Chalmers' Church,—on “The Periodical Press.”

The Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, of the Baptist Church, and the Hon. S. L. Shannon, Esq., who were to speak on Colportage, were prevented from being present.

The Rev. J. C. Cochran, Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, in a few words endorsed heartily the work of the Society, and acknowledged his indebtedness to the Depository for supplies of Tracts which he freely distributed in his frequent visits among the poor.

After singing the Doxology, the Benediction was pronounced by the Rev. J. C. Cochran, when the meeting adjourned.

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donations \$  
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