

BYE-LAWS.

1. The President, or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents, shall preside at all meetings of the Society, the Board of Directors and Executive Committee. If all the said officers be absent, a chairman, *pro tem*, shall be chosen.

2. Vacancies occurring in the Publication, Finance and Distributing Committees, shall be filled from the Board of Directors, by appointment of the President.

3. The Executive Committee shall meet on the second Monday of each month. It shall be their duty to review, and approve or disapprove, of the action of the Publication, Finance and Distributing Committees, commission Colporteurs, and in general do whatever may be necessary to give efficiency to the work assigned them. Three members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

4. The Publication Committee shall select from the issues of the various Tract Societies and Private Publishing Houses, in Great Britain or the United States, such publications (1) as they shall deem most suitable for promoting the object of the Society, and (2) as they can procure on the most advantageous terms. With the sanction of the Executive Committee they shall publish such books, tracts, or periodicals, as they may decide on whenever it shall be considered desirable or best to do so.

5. It shall be the duty of the Financial Committee to devise and carry out ways and means for procuring the necessary funds for the Society's operations, fix the salaries of the Society's agents and regulate the amount of grants.

6. The Distributing Committee shall select the most suitable men for colporteurs, locate them and regulate the distribution of grants by colporteurs and other agencies.

7. The Publication, Finance and Distributing Committees shall report monthly to the Executive Committees.

8. It shall be the duty of the Secretary, under the direction of the Executive Committee, to conduct the correspondence of the Society and of the Committees, to attend to the publication of statistics and reports, present the objects of the Society to the churches, receive contributions, give notice of meetings and keep the minutes.

As superintendent of colportage, he shall have a general oversight of the colportage work, and carry out the instructions of the committee in selecting and appointing colporteurs.

As depositary he shall have charge of the Society's store and keep the necessary books of account.

9. The Treasurer shall take charge of the Society's funds, and shall pay all bills on the order of the Finance Committee. He shall report the state of the treasury to the Executive Committee at each monthly meeting.

10. At meetings of the Executive Committees the following shall be the order of business:—1. Prayer. 2. Minutes. 3. Unfinished business.

4. Reports of Committees. 5. Reports of Colporteurs. 6. Report of Secretary and Superintendent of Colportage. 7. Report of Treasurer. 8. New Business.

11. The President, or in his absence a Vice-President, or other officer first on the list in the city of Halifax, at the request of three Directors, may call special meetings of the Board of Directors.

12. These Bye-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, by a vote of a majority of the members present; a month's previous notice of the proposed alteration being given to each member of the Board.

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