

The special committee named for the purpose, recommended the appointment of the Rev. T. A. Ferguson, and of Mr. John Macgregor as collectors of subscriptions in the city, which was approved, as well as a report from the Agency and Colportage Committee.

The Joint Building Committee reported the progress made to date on the new building, and recommended that a suitable woodcut of the building be obtained.

A letter was read from the Rev. H. D. Powis, one of the Directors of the Society, resigning his office as he is about to leave the city. Regret was expressed in prospect of the loss of such a useful member, but as his departure is not immediate, it was resolved that the communication be not now taken up.

The Rev. T. C. DesBarres closed the meeting with prayer and benediction.

The February meeting of the Board was held at 4 p.m. on the 16th, the President, the Hon. Geo. W. Allan, being in the chair. The meeting was opened by the Rev. Elmore Harris reading a portion of the Scriptures, and the Rev. Hugh Johnston leading in prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Permanent Secretary submitted reports from the Agency and Colportage Committee, also joint report of the Building and Finance Committee, and a special report from the Chairman of the Joint Building Committee, John K. Macdonald, Esq., which were all approved.

A letter was read from the British and Foreign Bible Society, acknowledging receipt of the resolution of sympathy passed by this Board on the occasion of the death of their late President, the Earl of Shaftesbury, and expressing their sympathy with this Society in the loss by death, of its late Permanent Secretary, Robert Baldwin, Esq.

A letter was read from Mr. John Barclay, enclosing a cheque for \$200, being a bequest by the late Mr. James Bower, of Mono Centre.

Several grants of Scriptures were made, and the ordinary routine business transacted. The meeting was closed by the Rev. Dr. Reid pronouncing the benediction.

The Board met as usual on the 16th March, the Hon. Wm. McMaster in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the Revs. T. C. DesBarres and J. G. Manly. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Steps were taken to secure the attendance of speakers at the annual meeting in May. It was resolved to co-operate with the Upper Canada Tract Society in having the opening of the new building simultaneously with the annual meeting of both societies, and that suitable arrangements be made with that view.

Messrs. D. Higgins and T. J. Mason were appointed to audit the books and accounts for the year.

A report from the Agency and Colportage Committee was submitted, as