

A. M., of Yarmouth. Text—1 Cor. xvi. 1, 2. Subject: "The sacredness and importance of Christian Benevolence."

The Association resumed business at 11.15 P. M.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Sawyer.

Revds. S. B. Kempton, W. E. Hall, Z. Morton, Dr. A. W. Sawyer, Prof. R. V. Jones, and Brother Augustus Foster, were invited to seats with us.

The Committee on the Circular Letter reported, That having examined the Circular Letter, they recommend that it be read before the Association immediately after the Introductory Sermon. The recommendation was maintained, and the Letter read by the writer, Rev. G. E. Day.

Moved, That the Circular Letter be adopted and printed in the Minutes, and in the *Christian Messenger*.

Moved, That Rev. W. H. Porter be requested to prepare a copy of his Introductory Sermon for publication in the *Christian Messenger*.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. Z. Morton.

#### *Monday—Afternoon Session.*

Opened by prayer by Rev. J. McKenne.

Minutes read and approved.

Rev. Dr. Tupper asked for and obtained leave of absence.

Several Letters from the Churches were read.

The Report on Temperance was adopted. [See Appendix A.]

The Report of the Home Missionary Board was presented, and after some discussion it was referred back to the Board for certain corrections.

The Report of the French Mission Board was presented and unanimously adopted. [See Appendix B.]

The Committee on Missions reported. Report received and adopted. [See Appendix C.]

The Committee of Arrangement reported as follows:—

That Rev. P. Murray, Brethren A. M. Gidney, and W. R. Doty, be a Committee on Obituaries.

That the French Mission Board be the same as last year, with the addition of J. C. Anderson.

That the Infirm Ministers Board consist of Revds. G. E. Day, I. Wallace, W. H. Porter, J. Rowe, J. H. Saunders, and Brethren S. Brown and A. C. Robbins.

That 1500 copies of the Minutes be printed by Brother S. Selden, at the same rate as last year.

That the Introductory Sermon be preached by the Rev. G. E. Day, and that Rev. J. Rowe, be his alternate.

That Rev. M. P. Freeman write the Circular Letter.

That the Ministers of this Association, who may attend the Central and Eastern, and P. E. I. Associations, be considered delegates to the same.

Report adopted.

After some extended and pertinent remarks by the Revds. G. E.

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