

Your Committee would further state that in their opinion the holding of Quarterly Meetings is calculated to facilitate all the noble objects connected with the furtherance of the cause of God.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN FRANCIS, *Chairman.*

Resolutions in relation to the employment of a vessel for missionary purposes around our Shores and the adjacent Islands introduced by bro. Francis and seconded and supported by the Hon. J. W. Johnston and others, were referred to the following Committee.

Honble. J. W. Johnston, J. W. Barss, J. Davis, E. A. Crawley, S. Robinson, L. E. Bill, J. Francis, Thos. Delong, S. T. Rand, and Z. Morton, who subsequently made the following Report :

This Committee deem the measure of a Missionary ship to be both practicable and highly expedient ; but inasmuch as it would seem to be premature to act without further information on so new and untried a measure, this Committee recommend that the following persons be requested to act as Committees of enquiry in their respective localities to ascertain the expense that would attend such effort, the cost of a suitable vessel and of her maintenance from time to time, &c., &c., and to forward the result of their enquiries and any other suggestions to the Committee in Halifax, who shall be requested to embody and publish the same in the Messenger and the Visitor.

FOR HALIFAX.—Hon. J. W. Johnston, John Whitman and Rev. Richard McLearn.

FOR LIVERPOOL.—J. W. Jacobs, Thos. R. Patillo, and Rev. S. Bentley.

FOR YARMOUTH.—Saml. Brown, Joseph Shaw, and Rev. J. Davis.

FOR SAINT JOHN.—N. S. Demill, A. McL. Seely and Rev. S. Robinson.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. A. CRAWLEY, *Chairman.*

Report adopted.

Committee on Religious Periodicals and Colportage reported as follows :

That there be tendered to the esteemed Editors of our Religious Periodicals a grateful acknowledgement of the obligations due to them by this Convention, for the able, indefatigable, and highly beneficial manner in which they have continued to conduct their respective Papers; as also an expression of approval of the course which they have publicly signified a readiness to adopt ;—rejecting anonymous communications that contain injurious reflections upon individuals or collective bodies. Likewise, that it be strongly recommended to all our friends to sustain these truly valuable Periodicals, especially each in its respective sphere, to the utmost of their power.