

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE
WESLEYAN METHODIST MISSIONARY AUXILIARY SOCIETY,
FOR THE NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT,
HELD IN THE WESLEYAN CHAPEL, FREDERICTON,
On Tuesday Evening, June 7, 1853.

REV. RICHARD KNIGHT, IN THE CHAIR.

An abstract of the Report of the Committee having been read by the Rev. R. COONEY, M. A., the following resolutions were proposed and adopted by the meeting.

I. Moved by the Rev. John Snowball; seconded by the Rev. Michael Pickles.

That the Report, an abstract of which has been read, be adopted and published.

II. Moved by the Rev. James G. Hennigar; seconded by the Rev. George M. Barrett.

That the success which continues to attend the endeavours of the Parent Society, and also those of the other Evangelical and Protestant Missionary Societies generally, calls for grateful and devout acknowledgement; and this meeting hereby offers its special thanks to *Almighty God*, for the gracious visitations of the *Holy Spirit*, by whose agency that success has been accomplished.

III. Moved by the Rev. Richard Williams; seconded by the Rev. William T. Cardy.

Whereas the Parent Society, acting under the persuasion that the period has arrived when their older Missions, which they have so long and so kindly fostered, should be formed into self-sustaining and self-governing organisations, have recently elevated the French District into a Conference, and contemplate the same change in Australia and other places:—This meeting, hoping that these important arrangements will lead to the more rapid development and diffusion of *The Gospel*, hereby pledges itself to afford all the pecuniary aid it can towards their efficient and successful operation.

IV. Moved by the Rev. William Allen; seconded by the Rev. Ingham Sutcliffe.

Whereas the Parent Society and its numerous patrons have long and anxiously desired to commence operations in China; but having been prevented hitherto, solely for the want of financial means—this meeting rejoices that a special effort of Christian liberality has removed that impediment; and that we now have three Missionaries co-operating with the agents of other Evangelical denominations in order to wrest that vast Empire from "*The Prince of Darkness*," and annex it to the ransomed inheritance of "*the Son of God*."

V. Moved by the Rev. William Smith; seconded by the Rev. Robert A. Chesley.

That the thanks of this meeting be presented to the Collectors and friends of the Society generally, for their valuable services and generous support.

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