

Our aged Father David Harris too, burthened with many years but still vigorous and giving promise of much continued useful labor, has been suddenly called from the ties that bound him.

And again called with almost equal suddenness from the midst of active useful life in the Church and in the world our lamented brother Doctor Sawers, so favorably known to the churches as the originator of the Union Societies, and to so many of our friends by his hospitality and kindness, has left desolate his place on earth and is seen no more amongst us.

We that are thus left cannot but mourn; but we would mourn not as those that have no hope, on the contrary we feel ourselves called at this time especially to rejoice while we mourn, for the cheering hope that these our brethren are only called from earth, because meet for heaven, and that through the merits of our common Lord they have only exchanged the toilsome field of earthly labour, for the glorious service of a brighter world.

And further, in remembrance of the long continued and most important labors of the late lamented Professor Chipman and of the peculiar circumstances attending the death of the honored brethren who were so suddenly removed from earth with him by a heart-rending calamity,

This Convention earnestly recommend that a suitable monument be erected in the Church-yard in Horton, where repose the ashes of Professor Chipman and brother W. Grant, together with a proper inscription in honor of all those lamented brethren, and that an appeal be made to the community to defray the needful expenses.

All which is respectfully submitted.

E. A. CRAWLEY, *Chairman.*

Resolved,—That for the purpose of effecting the object recommended in the above report, brethren J. W. Barss, J. Chase and E. A. Crawley be a Committee to solicit subscriptions and carry out all respects that object.

[IV.]

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPT. 20TH, 1853.

The past year must be reviewed with deep interest. In one important department of denominational labour, the year past presents a measure of success, that tells plainly and forcibly what our churches can do when excited to action by powerful motives. In other portions of the christian field, we have not seen the same determined resolve, to reach the end aimed at.

Our Foreign Missionary work yet hangs heavily upon the hands of our Churches, and at this our annual review of the past, we have the painful duty of announcing the loss the Board has sustained of two Missionaries; one by death, another by separation from our service, in order to employment in the same work by another Board.