

The adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Friday evening, 18th November, at 8 o'clock. Rev. Dr. McLaren in the chair.

Rev. J. Fielding Sweeney led the devotional exercises.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The following resolutions of condolence were presented, referring to the death of the Hon. Wm. McMaster and of the Rev. Dr. Nelles, both Vice-Presidents of this Society. It was ordered that copies of each be sent to the respective families of the deceased:—

**In Memoriam.—Hon. William McMaster.**

"The angel of death has again visited us, and with feelings of profound sorrow we are called upon to record the sudden removal from our midst on Thursday morning the 22nd day of September, 1887, of the Hon. Wm. McMaster, Senator of the Dominion, and Vice-President and Treasurer of this Society. Although he had attained the ripe age of 76 years and was officially the oldest member of the Board, the Directors little expected to be so soon deprived of his presence and help. So late as the evening previous to his being stricken down, a note was received from him apologizing for his absence from the monthly meeting of the Board. The late honorable gentleman became a member of the Bible Society in the year 1836, when it was known as the 'Toronto Auxiliary Bible Society,' at which date he was appointed minute secretary. He was elected a life member in 1853: elected a Vice-President in 1854; and Treasurer in 1856, which office he filled till the time of his death. During a period of 51 years, Mr. McMaster proved himself a warm and faithful supporter of the Society, recently evinced in a marked degree by his liberal contributions towards the erection of the new and beautiful building we now occupy for Bible purposes. His attachment to the Society was unswerving, and throughout this long term he commanded the respect and confidence of all who were identified with him in the good work. His punctuality and regularity of attendance at the meetings of the Board were often a subject of commendatory remark by his co-directors. His extended experience in connexion with the affairs of the Society, rendered his counsels very valuable, especially in circumstances of doubt and difficulty, and being now deprived of these the Board sensibly feels the loss it has sustained. The Hon. Senator occupied a high position in our city in the walks of commerce, finance, religion and benevolence, a position which he attained by a course of industry, perseverance and upright conduct, and by his readiness at all times to assist in 'every good word and work,' indeed few citizens ever filled as large a place in the commercial and religious life of Toronto. Although his familiar form will no longer be seen by us here, yet the memory of the late hon. gentleman will long be cherished by this Society. As we cast our eye over our roll of mortality we are reminded that 'this is not our rest.' The standard-bearers one by one are passing away, and we who are permitted to survive for a few days longer are impressed with the force of the scriptural admonition, 'Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave, whither thou goest.' Eccl. ix. x. This Board tenders to the sorrowing widow their deep sympathy in this hour of her severe affliction, praying that 'the God of all grace' may afford her abundant consolation. It is further resolved that a copy of this resolution be suitably engrossed and forwarded to Mrs. McMaster."

**In Memoriam.—Rev. Dr. Nelles.**

"It is with feelings of sorrow that we are called upon to record in our minutes the death of the Rev. Dr. Nelles, Chancellor of Victoria University, and one of the Vice-Presidents of this Society. A few days illness termin-