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The Adjourned Meeting of the Colored citizens of Toronto, according to adjournment, at Baver Street Chapel, September 25th, 1854.

W. R. Abbott, Chairman, called the Meeting to order, and stated its object. After prayer by Mr. Baker, the Secretary, Rev. W. P. Newman, read the Minutes of the last Meeting; after which, the Business Committee reported the following Preamble and Resolutions:—

"Your Committee, to whom was submitted the business of drafting resolutions for this Meeting, beg leave to report, as follows:

"Whereas, the 'Colonial Church and School Society' have sent out Missionaries and Teachers to this country, for the purpose of 'Evangelizing the Colored Settlers' by the means of Normal Schools, for us, as a distinct class. And, whereas, the said effort is to be made, because of a misconception of our true condition, as Her Majesty's loyal subjects in this country, where no distinction is made on account of color, we deem it a duty to ourselves, and to our white fellow-citizens, to say, that the Report which gave rise to the before-named mission, as published in the 'Seventeenth Annual Report of the Colonial Church and School Society,' is entirely untrue; and especially that part of it that says, that 'They—the colored people of Canada—are in the lowest state of ignorance of Religion, and even of secular knowledge; and according to accounts that have been received, utterly neglected by all around them; and, though permitted to live in freedom, to a great extent, it is to be feared are as much the victims of Popular Prejudice as their brethren in BOSTON AND NEW YORK.'"

"And whereas, the 'Colonial Church and School Society' has been credibly informed, on the authority of persons conversant with the views and feelings of the SOUTHERN PLANTERS, that the spectacle of a large body of the NEGRO RACE, elevated in a social and religious condition, and WALKING LIKE CHRISTIAN MEN in the light of the Gospel, would do more to TRANQUILIZE THEIR FEARS; and to effect a general, if not an universal manumission, THAN ANY PLAN yet devised in England or America; it seems proper that we should express our opinion, and say that OUR EXPERIENCE TEACHES US, that just the opposite result would be true; for it is a notorious fact, that the more the NEGRO RACE on this continent have walked like CHRISTIAN

MEN, in the light of the Gospel, the LESS have slaveholders' fears been TRANQUILIZED; hence the infernal scheme of Colonization, &c., &c.; and it is especially true, that the more the Negro race, who are slaves, and those who are nominally free, in slave States, have walked like Christian men, the more have they been oppressed; and hence the legal regulations, in nearly every slave State, to prevent them FROM walking like Christian men in the light of the Gospel, the use of the Scriptures and other Religious means."

"We recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions, by this Meeting, to wit:

"1. Resolved,—That we assure our friends in England, and especially the 'Colonial Church and School Society,' that we are truly grateful for their sympathy with, and regard for us, as an exiled and wronged people; and that we can but hope that their efforts for our good may be directed otherwise than through Normal Schools, of which there is no need, in this country, since such schools here, are open to us, in common with all other citizens."

"2. Resolved,—That, should such schools be opened, and efforts made by the 'Colonial Church and School Society,' contrary to our expressed wish and interest, we cannot, consistently, and will not, as colored citizens, give them our support."

"3. Resolved,—That we caution our people throughout the Province to be careful, as to how they give their influence and support to institutions and efforts, whether established and made by friend or foe—white or black—that tend to make distinction on account of color, and to destroy the foundation of our liberties."

Committee:

W. R. NEWMAN, W. R. ABBOTT,  
R. M. JOHNSON, A. H. JUDAH,  
THOS. SMALLWOOD.

The report being received, on motion for its adoption, an animated discussion sprung up between Messrs. Harris, Lewis, Judah, and Smallwood, and the Revs. Messrs. Dillon, Johnson, and Newman. The Preamble and Resolutions were sustained, with much charity towards the Mission referred to, and also with great ability by their advocates.

An amendment was moved by Mr. Geo. Cary, but voted down by a large majority; after which the Preamble and Resolutions were adopted, with much enthusiasm.

"4. *Resolved*.—That the proceedings of this Meeting be published in the *Provincial Freeman*, and that other newspapers friendly to our interest, be requested to publish the same."

"5. *Resolved*.—That 30 copies of the *Provincial Freeman*, containing the doings of this Meeting, be taken by the Chairman, who shall be a Committee to forward the same to friends in different parts of the country, and that a collection be taken up at our next Meeting to pay for the same."

The business of the meeting being over, the Chairman stated that he held in his hand an amendment to be moved by Mr. Larwill, to the resolutions in reply to the Speech from the Throne, at the opening of the present Session of the Legislature, which he would call on the Secretary to read; and after which, he hoped, the Meeting would take some action. The Secretary read as follows:—

"That all the words after 'That,' in the twelfth paragraph be struck out, and the following words inserted in lieu thereof:—'This House will gladly show a liberal spirit and friendly disposition towards the United States, for their generous conduct in legislating upon the matter; and that in proof of such disposition on their part, the Provincial Legislature will hereafter exact from Negro immigrants a poll tax equal in amount to that now imposed upon other foreigners; and will not incorporate any associations for the special benefit of men of color, as a class, will discourage the promotion of any institution, the object and end whereof would be a junction with the Abolitionists of the Northern States, to bring about a severance of the American Union.'"

The Committee tendered their most cordial thanks to Angus Morrison, Esq., for a copy of the above amendment, which reading produced no little *sensation, indignation, &c.* After some severe strictures respecting Larwill and his position, a Committee of seven was appointed, namely, Revs. Messrs. Newman, Johnson, Harper, and Young; and Messrs. Abbott, Smallwood, Cary, to prepare business for another meeting, to be called by the Committee, respecting Larwill's Amendment.

The Meeting then adjourned.

W. R. ABBOTT, *Chairman*.

W. P. NEWMAN, *Secretary*.

Toronto, Sept. 25th, 1851.