

I hope to cover the ground again next year, but I believe eleven will prove themselves at least average branches; several have formally appointed officers to work.

In taking these new places at this time and leaving those usually visited at this time, it naturally follows that the monetary results of the month compare unfavourably with last year, but I trust that this will be fully made up in the coming November.

The work of visiting this new country bears out the Rev. Jas. Green's estimate in one particular at least: from its mountainous character it is exhausting physically, and the labour and peril great. May God prosper our work.

The receipts are as follows:—

1893—Purchase Account, \$75.29; Free Contributions, 231.43	
1894— “ “ 40.67 “ “ 173.61	
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Deficit, \$34.62	\$57.82

### Work of Bible Women.

The President reported from the Ladies' Bible Association, that the work of the Bible women and their superintendents has been prosecuted vigorously during the winter and spring. Six Bible women are employed, but there is much need of another in the central district of the city, occupied by the late Mrs. Jacobsen, whose place has not been filled, owing to the lack of funds, though a very competent successor could be secured.

The Bible women report a large number of visits and much useful work in scripture reading. The sales of scriptures are not large, but every month a certain number of families needing the Bible are found and supplied.

The report of Madame Piché, the French Bible woman, for the quarter, has been forwarded as directed by the committee to the parent society, which has liberally granted her salary for the year. Her sales last month were eight testaments and two portions. In the previous quarter she had sold thirty copies of the scriptures. In April she had been received and allowed to read the scriptures in fifty families, but a larger number had rejected her services. Her work is said to be of the highest character and her influence for good very great.