

and distributing the Scriptures in the several sections of country in which we respectively labour. Any further communications from the Committee we shall be happy to receive through the Chairman of our District.

"WILLIAM SQUIRE, *Secretary*."

The report of Mr. Elliot, the Agent, contains some very interesting particulars, which will assist the distributors, and may be noticed hereafter.

### *Stanstead County Bible Society.*

Agreeably to a previous public notice, a meeting of the Stanstead Branch Bible Society, and of Delegates from most of the Townships in the County, was held at Stanstead Plain, on Thursday, the 1st of June, for the purpose of forming a County Bible Society. Selah Pomroy, Esq. was called to the chair, and Phineas Hubbard, Esq. was appointed Secretary of the meeting.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. A. O. Hubbard of Melbourne.

The object of the meeting having been stated from the chair, it was unanimously resolved to form a County Bible Society to co-operate with the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society; and a constitution which had been prepared, was reported, and unanimously adopted.

On motion of Captain Maitland, Agent of the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society, seconded by Mr. P. V. Hibbard, it was

*Resolved*,—That we highly approve of the resolution of the Stanstead Branch Bible Society, to supply, in the shortest time practicable, every destitute family within the limits of this County with a copy of the Sacred Scriptures; and every reader, under the age of fifteen years, with a copy of the New Testament.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Seely, Agent of the Vermont Bible Society, seconded by Rev. Mr. Baldwin of Barnston, it was

*Resolved*,—That it is an auspicious feature in the formation of Bible Societies, that it

invites Christians of every name to meet on common ground, and to co-operate in efforts to circulate the Scriptures among their fellow men.

On motion of Rev. A. O. Hubbard, seconded by Rev. Lewis Sabine, it was

*Resolved*,—That while we should endeavour more and more to appreciate the value of the Scriptures ourselves, we are called upon, by every principle of obligation, to make greater efforts to cause their value to be appreciated by others; that the distribution of the Word of God may be attended with as beneficial results as practicable.

On motion of Mr. Henry Hayes, seconded by Phineas Hubbard, jun., it was

*Resolved*,—That in view of the prevailing worldliness, irreligion, infidelity, and restless spirit of the present time, we deem it highly important to co-operate, depending on divine assistance, in sending abroad the Bible, and in calling to it the increased attention and study which it deserves.

On motion of Rev. L. Sabine, seconded by Deac. W. Arms, it was

*Resolved*,—That as the Bible is the friend of knowledge and education, as well as the friend of virtue and holiness, and the appointed instrument of regeneration and saving the soul, it is the duty of every friend of man to promote, by all the means in his power, the speedy and universal spread of the sacred Scriptures.

On motion of Deac. M. F. Cushing of Barnston, seconded by Rev. A. O. Hubbard, it was

*Resolved*,—That in view of the greatness of the enterprise in which we are engaged, we deeply feel, that it becomes us to implore the aid of the Most High.

The business of the meeting was conducted with the greatest harmony; and may we not hope that the effort which has been made will be attended with good not only to this immediate vicinity, but to the Eastern Townships generally?

At the close of the meeting, the following persons were elected as officers for the present year, viz. :—

Selah Pomroy, Esq., President.

Ichabod Smith, Esq. } Vice-Presidents.  
D. Blanchard, Esq. }