

gained,—the thoughtful and enlightened co-operation of our respected friend.

The Rev. Drs. Taylor and Wilkes, each of whom for a long time served as Corresponding Secretary, have been placed on the list of Vice Presidents; and there are added several new names to the Committee to be now proposed.

ISSUES.

These for the year now closed, are 5705 Bibles, 6149 Testaments, 161 Portions, being altogether, 12015 copies,—more than any previous year, excepting 1854, and bringing up the issue since the Society's organization to the total of 200,005 Copies.

GRATUITOUS DISTRIBUTION.

The free grants amount to 583 Bibles, 475 Testaments, being a total of 1058 copies, of the value of £69 18s. 6d., less by 200 copies, and £23 of value than those of last year, yet fully meeting all the demands reasonably made upon the Committee. It is our rule, as it is that of the Parent Society, to sell and not to give the Scriptures, except in cases where it appears they are needed, would be read and valued, and yet cannot be paid for.

FUNDS.

The Receipts are larger this year than ever before, excepting the year of Jubilee, and of the China effort, which this year nearly equals. The items stand thus

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| Cash Sales at Depository, and Remittances from Branches,..... | £726 | 0 | 7 |
| Free Contributions,..... | 979 | 11 | 0 |
| Free Contributions for Parent Society,..... | 18 | 15 | 0 |
| Total,..... | £1724 | 6 | 7 |

This is encouraging progress, yet we think a due appreciation of the claims of the Bible Society would ensure the contribution by Montreal of £1000, instead of £440. We acknowledge £200 sterling, or £244 8s. 10d. currency, from the Parent Society, in aid of our Colportage and agency work. Our outlay for these objects has been £403 13s. 6d.

The Treasurer's account will be found in the Appendix.

AGENCY.

We report in his own words, a summary of the work of our persevering travelling Agent, the Rev. James Green.

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