

taries,' and the Board in accepting his resignation with deep regret, desires to place on record its high appreciation of his energetic and unceasing efforts to promote the best interests of the Society during that time." In Sept. last the Rev. John Gemley was elected permanent Secretary, and immediately entered upon his important duties. In addition to his duties as a Corresponding Secretary, he has, by request of the Board of Directors, edited the *Bible Recorder*, which, your Committee are happy to say, has been received with favor; and your Secretary has also, in part, supplied the loss sustained by a reduced agency.

The agents have been faithful and efficient in their duties. Their reports will appear *in extenso* in a subsequent number of the *Recorder*. Four Colporteurs have been employed from the beginning of the year; during a part of the year, a fifth has been very usefully engaged in the neighborhood of Parry Sound. One of the number has been obliged to retire from labour on account of the state of his health; a successor has been appointed. A tabulated statement of their labours during the year will be published.

The Auditors' Report of the Treasurer's account, and the report of the operations of the Depository during the year, will present favourable results, especially as the Kingston Auxiliary has been unavoidably prevented from making its full returns; and the London Auxiliary has a respectable surplus in hand, which does not appear in our Treasurer's account.

An abstract of the report of the London Auxiliary has already appeared in our bi-monthly journal,—that from Kingston will also be furnished. Notice of the condition of the kindred societies of Montreal, Ottawa and Quebec has already appeared, and we hope that intercourse will be opened with similar Societies in the other provinces of the Dominion.

The Committee feel assured you will be pleased to learn that the free contributions from your Society are in excess of last year.

To B. & F. B. Society, for general purposes.....	\$6696 23
do for Spain.....	2056 42
do for special purposes.....	130 25
Total.....	\$8882 90
To kindred and Auxiliary Societies.....	1238 78
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Total for 1868-69.....	\$10121 68
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Balance in favour of 1869-70.....	\$1621 03

But to this your Committee must add a further sum of \$500, which will render the free contributions for this year \$2121.03 in excess of last. When we announce the special object to which this latter sum is to be appropriated, we are sure it will meet with your heartiest concurrence; it is for Red River—to make a commencement in organizing branches in that portion of our Dominion, and in furnishing to all our brave volunteers for that country, who desire to possess it, a copy of God's holy word as a present from the U. C.