

Bible Society year. We rejoice to hear of the attentions and kindnesses shewn to him by his own people and others. We pray earnestly for his complete and speedy recovery.

END OF THE BIBLE SOCIETY YEAR.—Officers of Branches are respectfully reminded that our year closes with the 31st of March. All remittances to this office, either as *Free Contributions*, or on *Purchase Account*, should be received by us by the last week of March. All *free contributions* for the *Parent Society* should reach Toronto on or before the first week in March, as the accounts in London close also on the 31st of March of each year.

THE BIBLE SOCIETY RECORDER FOR 1872.—We feel thankful for the favour with which the *Recorder* has been received during the two years of its existence. With the present number we begin our third volume. Commencing with January, 1870, we printed 5,000. These were distributed gratuitously to the respective Branches; additional numbers desired, were to be paid for. We received orders during the year, and in January, 1871, were obliged to issue 7,000 to meet the demand. We have already, with the new year obtained, chiefly through our Agents, a few more orders, and may anticipate the necessity of publishing 6,000, if not of this issue, of the next. For *TERMS*, please see last page of *Recorder*, and forward your orders as soon as convenient, as the type of the present number will be distributed in a few days.

REPORTS FROM BRANCHES.—We have recently received copies of the Annual Report of the Hamilton, Guelph, Park Hill, and Brantford Branches, each of which indicates a year of very gratifying prosperity. The large receipts and contributions of Brantford for last year, are exceeded in the present; so that Toronto itself may find difficulty in standing as high as this enterprising town, in this year's General Report. The collection alone taken up at the Annual Meeting in Brantford last week was \$300.28.

NEW BRANCHES.—The following new Branches,—some of them formed since our last issue—are not to be found in our recently printed list, viz:—*AINLEYVILLE*, *Depositary*, J. R. Grant; *BELL EWART*, *President*, S. B. Webster, *Treasurer*, T. H. Dixon, *Depositary*, J. B. Reid; *HOLLAND LANDING*, *President and Secretary*, W. Jakeway; *MANITOBA*, *President*, Rev. John Black, *Secretary*, Rev. George Young; *PAINSWICK*, *President*, W. H. Hewson, *Treasurer and Secretary*, Joseph Poole; *CLARK'S MILLS*, Kingston Auxiliary, *President*, James Parrott, *Treasurer and Secretary*, S. Lunan, *Depositary*, Benj. Clark.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS OFFERING.—It afforded us much interest to learn, from our well known and successful collector Mr. Lowry, that, during some of his recent visits, he received from four children named Kerr, the sum of one dollar. This amount was cheerfully appropriated by them from their