

declarations of Scripture, and from the movements of God in his mysterious Providence, that the coming of Christ, in his millennial glory, draweth nigh. In the Eastern Hemisphere, during the last few years, overturnings have taken place, scarcely less indicative of this glorious era, than those that preceded his personal advent were of the fulfilment of that long expected promise. One cheering result flowing from these overturnings is, that a door is thrown open for the Heralds of the Cross in India, China, and Japan—India, containing 140,000,000 inhabitants, China, 380,000,000, and Japan, 40,000,000,—560,000,000 immortal souls! what an amount of spiritual destitution here presents itself, claiming, not merely your human sympathies, but your immediate co-operation with all the other branches of the Bible Society, in sending them copies of the Holy Scriptures. Knowing that He, in whose hand are all hearts, hath given you readiness of mind to contribute so willingly and liberally as you have done, they would thank God and take courage. He that hath promised is able also to perform: "The Heathen shall be given to the Messiah for his inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession."

Your Committee, in discharging the trust committed to them, have thought good for the present year to keep back a sixth part of the amount of subscriptions to purchase copies of the Scriptures to supply the destitute at home, in accordance with the laws of your Branch Bible Society, and to appropriate all the rest as a free contribution to the British and Foreign Bible Society, to be transmitted by the New Brunswick Auxiliary.

The Report having been read and adopted, the Rev. Mr. Stavely, in his usual pleasing manner, addressed the meeting with an appropriate and animating speech. The Chairman then called upon Messrs. Mullin, Bates, Slip and Sharp, who, in order as named, addressed the audience.

Mr. John Slip, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Stavely, concluded the proceedings with prayer.

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