

REPORT OF THE DUNHAM BRANCH BIBLE SOCIETY, PRESENTED  
AT ITS ANNIVERSARY, 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1863.

CHRISTIAN FRIENDS,—We hail with pleasure the return of the Rev. J. Greene. May his visit on this occasion prove as profitable, or much more so than in former years; and may he be ever blessed by the Holy Spirit's presence, leading him into all truth during the labours in which he is multifariously engaged.

Among the various ways by which the sanctified energies of the Church of Christ are employed for ameliorating the condition of a fallen world, there are none in which we discover so greater adaptation of means to an end, than those employed by the "Bible Society" for circulating the "word of God," and diffusing the "common salvation," a truth which does not rest upon mere abstract speculation, but upon well ascertained facts—facts of the conversion of souls from a state of death in trespasses and sin, to the light, life and liberty of the sons of God.

Is it not manifest to all, that the movements of a Divine Providence are tending to a great, glorious, and happy consummation? Barriers to the spread of the Bible hoary with age; are being removed, and a free communication between nations hitherto separated by deep-seated prejudice is effected. Are not the nations of the earth of one family? Is not God our Father? And is not the brotherhood of the entire human family better understood, and more generally recognized?

Amidst the wonderful scenes so often brought before us, it becomes the children of God to consider what such times require at their hands. Every one should, with devout reverence, address the Great Head of the Church, saying: "Lord, what wouldst thou have me to do?" and help so high, noble, and glorious a cause, as the Bible cause, which is the cause of God, according to the little or the abundance God has given them.—*See subscription list.*

OFFICE-BEARERS FOR ENSUING YEAR.

*President.*—Edward Finley, Esq.

*Vice-President.*—Rev. J. Scott, D.D.

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" " Dr. Stevens, M.A.

*Sec. Treas. and Depositary.*—Rev. J. Gear.

Respectfully submitted,

J. GEAR.

*Secretary.*

ST. ANDREW'S BRANCH BIBLE SOCIETY.—ANNUAL MEETING  
29TH DECEMBER, 1863.

The Treasurer and Depositary reports that he has sold during the year 29 English Bibles and 8 Testaments, and 2 French Testaments; and that the subscriptions amount to \$45.53, which sum will be handed to the Rev. Mr. Green, for the Montreal Auxiliary Society. The smallness of the sale of the French Scriptures, where there is so large a French population, and but ill-supplied with copies of the Bible, is not encouraging; but when we consider how few