

DEATH OF SIR HUGH ALLAN.

Death has also summoned from earth Sir Hugh Allan, one of the principal proprietors of the "Allan Line" of Steamships to whose continued kindness the Society is deeply indebted for the conveyance, freight free, of the Stock imported from Great Britain by the Society.

COLPORTEURS' REPORTS.

The Committee have thought best to devote much more space to the reports of Colporteurs this year than usual. These will be found interesting, and will, we trust, be fruitful in increased donations.

FINANCIAL ASPECT OF THE YEAR.

In 1881 the volume of receipts from all sources was \$20,761.18; in the past year the Treasurer's statement shows a total of \$31,417.88. The increase is principally due to bequests, increased donations and Colporteur sales. For the measure of prosperity shown in the above statement, we return sincere thanks to our Heavenly Father.

INCREASED CAPITAL REQUIRED.

It is felt that the extension of this Society's much needed Home Mission Work can only be secured by an increase in the capital of the Society. It has therefore been determined that the Secretary put forth due effort in that direction.

Six years ago the former Secretary of the Society made a visit to Great Britain, was most cordially received, and collected £577, which proved to be exceedingly advantageous in the prosecution of our work.

It is the intention of the Committee that, God willing, our Secretary shall in person present the claims of our field to the brethren in Great Britain this year, with the hope that an addition of £500 may be made to the Capital Fund. With this assistance, there is no doubt that the Provinces will furnish the amount necessary to defray the current expenses of Colportage.

BIBLE CIRCULATION.

The copies of the Word of God circulated by our Society have always borne a large proportion to the other books; and it is with