

the Abstract of the Parent Report is itself very worthy, and as your Committee, agreeably to the kind suggestion of their President, assented to the republication of it to the amount of one thousand copies, and to its general circulation among you all, it is not considered necessary to make such particular extracts as formerly. Your Committee, however, may afford you some extracts from the Monthly Reporters of the Parent Society, published since its last Anniversary, which are all highly pleasing, and full of evidence that the great Bible work is still advancing more and more under the blessing and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

In the Reporter for July, notice is taken of the inattention paid to the proper position, which the case of Scriptures in various languages, should have had in the International Exhibition. You will be pleased on hearing or seeing the Memorial which was signed by the President, the Earl of Shaftesbury, Archbishop of Canterbury, Bishop of London, etc. It is as follows:—

“We, the President, Vice-Presidents, Committee, and Members of the British and Foreign Bible Society, beg to represent once more to your Honourable Board, the dishonour, which, we consider is put upon the Word of God, by its virtual exclusion from the International Exhibition. We entreat you to consider the following facts:—

“You have invited men of all nations to assemble in our metropolis, to compare the products of every land, and to mark the progress which has been made in the Arts and Sciences during the last decade of fleeting years.

“You have given ample space for the display of gold and silver and precious stones, and of every fabric under the sun, down to the very toy, which you have thought worthy of a trophy in your main transept.

“But as regards God’s written Word, which, ‘cannot be valued with the gold of ophir,’ and is ‘more precious than rubies,’—that Word, on which all civilization rests, and the source whence all greatness flows,—you have hitherto denied it that prominent position which its history deserves and its wondrous achievements claim.

“When an African Prince sent presents to England’s Queen, and asked in return to be informed what was the secret of England’s greatness, she sent him a beautiful copy of the Word of God, and said, ‘This is the source of England’s greatness;’ and had the Prince Consort been spared to us, surely he, too, would have vindicated the honour of God’s Word, and would never have allowed the Bible in 196 different languages or versions, to be placed in an out-of-the-way

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