

The Bible in its complete form, translated, electrotyped, printed, and bound, appeared in the spring of 1879, and not long after Dr. Williamson, who had contributed so much to its excellence, fell asleep at the age of eighty years.

These copious extracts indicate with sufficient fulness the difficulties and the delays incident to so great a task as the rendering of the entire Bible into a new and barbarous tongue; but it tasks the imagination to tell what the fruit will be of such protracted toil. But this we know, that the Book has power to waken thought, to quicken conscience, to convict of sin, to manifest the love of God, to reveal good tidings of great joy. It is a civilizing and evangelizing power, mighty for pulling down the strongholds of sin, effectual in building up the kingdom of Christ. The Dakotas are a different people to-day from what they would have been had not Riggs and Williamson given them the Scriptures.

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BOARD MEETINGS.

The regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, October 19th, at 7.30, P. M., A. T. McCord, Esq. in the chair. After the reading of Scripture and Prayer, the reading and confirming of the minutes of the last meeting &c., a report was presented from a Special Committee, which had been appointed to consider the matter of prices, and the management of Branch Depositories. After some discussion this report was referred back to the Committee. The Secretaries having reported that Mr. Robert Black, of Blenheim, had given fifty dollars to the funds of the Society, he was elected a life member of the Society. The Depository's cash account was submitted, other routine business transacted, and the meeting was closed with prayer led by the Rev. John Smith.

The Directors met again on Tuesday, Nov. 16th, at the usual hour, the Hon. William McMaster in the chair. Scripture was read by the Rev. J. M. Cameron, and prayer led by the Rev. S. J. Hunter. After the reading of minutes &c., a second report was presented by the Committee on prices &c., recommending that all Bibles should be marked with their prices in plain figures with the view to promote uniformity of prices in all the Branches; and also that a few of the prices be slightly altered in such a way as to make them more convenient for change, and yet not only preserve the principle of selling at the average net cost; but make a nearer approximation to each book being sold at its own particular cost price. After a very full discussion this report was adopted. Reports were also presented from the Committee on the Ketchum Bequests, and the Committee on the care of the premises. The consideration of the latter was postponed. Reports were submitted from