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LONDON AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of this society was held on Friday, May 29th, in the City Hall, the President, the Bishop of Huron, in the chair. The platform was fully occupied by ministers of different denominations, amongst them the Revs. Dr. Cooper, J. Scott, Dean Boomer, W. H. Tilley, J. Smythe, D. Camelon, — Cox, R. W. Wallace, and several others. His Lordship called upon the Rev. W. H. Tilley to read a portion of scripture, and the Rev. Dr. Cooper to engage in prayer, after which the Chairman introduced the proceedings of the evening in a neat and forcible speech, adverting to the moral and religious effect the circulation of the Scriptures had upon the nations where circulated. He also spoke of the growing and extensive circulation of the Bible in different languages, and the liberality shown by the people in the support of this institution, by the immense amount subscribed. His Lordship made some pertinent remarks regarding the small attendance of citizens at the meetings of the society; and characterized the conduct of the absentees as un-Christianlike in every sense. Several speakers who followed him also adverted to this matter, and regretted the necessity for such remarks.

The Secretary, Mr. Natrass, read the report—which was happily much briefer than usual—showing that the society was in a prosperous and flourishing condition, and all its branches healthy.

The first resolution (referring to the adoption of the Report, and the election of officers and committee) was moved by the Rev. Dr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Alfred Rowland.

President—The Right Rev. I. Hellmuth, D.D., Lord Bishop of Huron.

Vice-Presidents—Rev. J. Scott, Rev. Canon Innis, Rev. A. Kennedy, Rev. Dr. Cooper, Rev. Dr. Jeffers, Rev. D. Savage.

Secretary—Rev. J. Natrass.

Treasurer—L. Gibson.

Depositary—R. Hannah.

The second resolution was moved by the Ven. Dean Boomer, seconded by the Rev. D. Camelon, as follows:—That in these days of tendency to religious doubt and practical materialism, it is the duty of all who hold the Word of God to be the only solution of spiritual difficulty, and the only safe and true guide in this life, and for that which is to come, to seek to the utmost the diffusion of the Scriptures amongst the people of this and other lands.

The third resolution, as follows, was moved by the Rev. R. W. Wallace, seconded by the Rev. John Scott:—That we deeply rejoice at the measure of success which has attended the operations of the different Bible agencies throughout the world, in the many countries occupied, the numerous translations made, the immense numbers of copies circulated, and in the spiritual and social transformation wrought out under their influence, &c., &c.

His Lordship, before closing, threw out a suggestion, which it is hoped will be taken up and worked to a successful termination, viz.: that the ministers of the various denominations organize themselves into a society for the purpose of building and supporting a benevolent institution for the benefit of the sick, poor, and indigent of the community.—*London Free Press.*