

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Kingston Ladies' Bible Association.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

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COMMITTEE:

The Wives of Ministers who qualify as Members of this Association; Mrs. Macaulay, Mrs. Macnee, Mrs. Paton, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. H. Fraser, Mrs. McAlister, Mrs. Chaffey, Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Irons, Mrs. J. Fraser, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Aitkins, Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Corbett, Mrs. Hobart, Mrs. Riddell, Mrs. Moffat, Mrs. W. C. Evans, Mrs. Grange, Mrs. Gunn, Miss Sampson, Miss Fowler, Miss Gray, Miss M. Gray, Miss Robertson, Miss Hill, Miss B. Hill, Miss Charlotte Dupuy, Miss Tossell, Miss Beath, Miss Patterson, Miss Mair, Miss Innes, Miss McAlister, Miss Mowat, Miss Jenkins, Miss Coy, Miss C. F. Dupuy, Miss Stoughton, Miss Hardy, Miss Bell, Miss Harper, Miss Bibby, Miss Twining.

REPORT.

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anxiety that others have endured, be awakened from sloth and slumber, and obey the call which comes to us in the providence of God, to trim our lamps and stand prepared to meet the Lord when He cometh.

Let us be more than ever desirous of being found engaged in the work of the Lord—not merely by proxy—by furthering the work of the Agents employed by this Society; but actively, earnestly and diligently, each one for ourselves, endeavoring to be instruments in the Lord's hands of circulating His Word—of promoting every work of faith and labor of love, and upholding others by earnest and fervent prayer.

Thus may we experience the blessedness of being instruments in the hands of God, fellow-workers with Christ Jesus, and faithful laborers in His vineyard, who will receive an abundant reward in that day, and when not even the Cup of Cold Water shall be forgotten.

Abstract of issues of Bibles and Testaments

BY THE

Kingston Ladies' Bible Association,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1864.

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CIRCULATION OF SCRIPTURES.

Distributed by the Ladies during the year, and by the Colporteur during six months, 318 copies of the Scriptures.

THE TREASURY.

The Treasurer's Report shows that the sum of \$230.05 has been collected during the year.

The expenditure has been \$244.44—leaving the Society in debt to the Treasurer \$14.39.

REMARKS.

From a glance at the Treasurer's Report, it must be apparent to those who are interested in the Bible work, that there is great need for all to be up and doing—while it is evident that there has not been as much pecuniary assistance given to the Association as usual, it would be well to ask—have we all prayed as we ought for that "blessing which maketh rich and addeth no sorrow therewith;" and have we all done "what we could" as laborers in this part of the Lord's vineyard?

While your Committee have continued to employ a joint Colporteur with the Kingston Auxiliary, it is with regret that they cannot report much success on the part of the Bible Woman effort, which is more legitimately the work of an association of ladies, and has wrought such wonders in other places. From want of means, it has been found impossible to support a Bible Woman for more than a few months during the past year. Those who know Kingston will hardly say that there is not a field for such labor here. In this field, our Bible Woman, Miss Henley, has labored to the best of her power; she has been diligent in visiting families who stood in need of kindly counsel, instruction and admonition; and her visits have been in some cases, so far as human observation can reach, much blessed in enlightening ignorant and darkened souls—in pointing them to the Saviour when trembling at the approach of death under a load of conscious sin; and what is perhaps the most satisfactory of all, she has in some cases seen tokens of an abiding reformation in heart and life. She has also held Prayer Meetings for women from time to time, and visited the Hospital pretty regularly, sometimes finding cheering tokens, that her visits have not been in vain.

IN CONCLUSION.

As year by year we are reminded at this season of the flight of Time, and of the approach of Him whom we profess to love and serve, Christian friends, let us be aroused thereby to more of earnest and devoted zeal in the cause of Christ; let us in grateful remembrance of the undeserved mercy which has spared us during the past year from the havoc and desolation of war, and all the suffering and

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IN ACCOUNT WITH THE

KINGSTON LADIES' BIBLE ASSOCIATION,

FROM DECEMBER, 1863, TO DECEMBER, 1864.

DR.	CR.
1864. Receipts in collection for Colporteur and Bible Woman.....\$ 205.87	1864. Paid Treasurer money advanced.....\$ 10.55
“ Collections for Bibles and Testaments..... 4.00	“ Printing Annual Report..... 7.00
“ Donations..... 19.50	“ Bibles and Testaments..... 1.82
From members of the Association..... 230.05	“ Distributing notices..... 2.25
Due to the Treasurer..... 14.39	“ Stationery..... 50
	“ Salary of Bible Woman for six months..... 36.30
	“ Salary and expenses of Colporteur for six months..... 186.52
	\$ 244.44
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DIANA CLARKE, TREASURER.

Examined and found correct.

WM. C. EVANS.

Kingston, 31st Dec., 1864.