

"The Directors of the U. C. Bible Society, having just received intelligence of the death of Jesse Ketchum, Esq., of Buffalo, formerly of this city, desire to place on record an expression of their feelings of high respect for the character of the deceased, and of their warm gratitude for his great liberality to this Society. The premises in which the business of the Society is carried on, and in which the Directors are now assembled, may be regarded as a memorial of Mr. Ketchum. But other memorials also perpetuate his memory: many acts of warm-hearted kindness and liberality—especially to the young in this city—many efforts for the advancement of morality and religion, will long preserve as a household word the name of Jesse Ketchum."

The Society issued during last year 42,761 copies of the Scriptures, and since the commencement of its operations it has put in circulation 659,131 copies of the sacred volume.

The value of the stock in hand at the close of the year was \$10,216:16.

The receipts for the year were \$25,729:58, and the expenditure was \$23,550:97.

Among the receipts there were several legacies: from the late George Michie, Esq., of Toronto, \$1,000; from the late Mr. James Leary, of Toronto Township, \$50; and from the late Mrs. Dobbs, of Port Dover, \$100.

THE KINGSTON AUXILIARY,

which, as already stated, is in connection with the U. C. Bible Society, embraces 10 counties and 37 branches. The number of its issues for the year was 3,461. It employs a colporteur, for whose support it receives a grant of \$300 from the U. C. Bible Society. The receipts for the year, including the \$300 just noticed, were \$1,543, and its expenditure \$1,850.

THE OTTAWA BIBLE SOCIETY.

The issues of this Society for the year numbered over 4,000 copies, and its receipts about \$4,000. It employs an agent for the superintendence of the 28 branches connected with it, and two colporteurs for the circulation and reading of the Scriptures. The labors of the colporteurs are largely devoted to the hundreds of lumbermen who are employed up the Gatineau and Ottawa rivers.

The British and Foreign Bible Society.

The extent of this Society's operations may be inferred from the volume in which they are reported, consisting of 578 pages. Its depots and agents are to be met with in every country which British enterprise has reached, or, generally speaking, in every country of the world. In the conclusion of the report for 1868 the following description is given of the field cultivated:—"Europe occupies a prominent place, but only as the foreground of the more distant landscape. France and Germany, Norway and Sweden, Denmark and Russia, Greece and Turkey, Italy and Portugal,