

withstanding that the work they had already accomplished, was told in such enormous numbers, they were still only in the threshold of their labours. The Bible, after all the attacks made upon it, still remained supreme, and immeasurably above the books of all other religious systems. They should spread the Bible because it was closely related to the progress of humanity. It was not a book of Science, it was true, as Dr. Behrends had remarked; but see what it had done for science. It was in Christian lands, and in those Christian lands where the Bible was most freely and unrestrictedly distributed that science made most progress; it was in those lands where the telegraph and telephone and electric lighting and other modern wonders has been brought to perfection. Where but in Bible lands had science found its widest sphere? Then look at what it had done for literature and art. The themes of the great universal masters were taken from the Bible: Look, again, at what it was doing for the nations. It had created seventy languages. See what it has done for the German nation and for the British nation. The secret of Britain's power lay in her precious, peerless, Anglo-Saxon Bible. The speaker went on to comment on the report and enlarge upon the work being done in different lands by the Bible Societies, and concluded with an urgent appeal to them to do all that lay in their power towards spreading the Bible until from the Orient to the Occident it should purify all literature, elevate all science, and cleanse and renew all hearts.

Mr. James BROWN seconded the resolution and it was adopted.

Dr. J. G. HODGINS moved:—

“That the hearty thanks of this meeting be presented to the Rev. Dr. Behrends for the instructive sermon which he preached on behalf of the Society last evening; and to the pastor and trustees of the Elm Street Methodist church for kindly granting the Society the use of their church for the occasion.”

Rev. J. M. CAMERON, seconded the resolution and it was adopted.

The Hon. Wm. McMASTER moved:—

“That the hearty thanks of this meeting be presented to the pastor and trustees of this church, for granting its use on the present occasion; and to the organist and precentor for their valuable services on the occasion of this annual gathering.”

Rev. J. MANLY seconded the resolution, and it was adopted.

A hymn was then sung, and the proceedings were concluded with the benediction pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Reid.