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SEVENTEENTH REPORT

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Halifax Ladies' Bible Association.

THE Committee of the Halifax Ladies' Bible Association have only to state that with the exception of the Agent and Colporteur having been so happily and usefully employed, as they believe, they have very little to record. His Annual Report tells its own story, and they hope will be read with as much interest and pleasure as heretofore.

TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE HALIFAX LADIES' BIBLE ASSOCIATION,—

In presenting my fifth Annual Report, I may state at the outset that there is nothing unusual to relate. During the past year, as formerly, in addition to advocating the claims of the Bible Society, I have been circulating the Word of God in various districts of the Province. The counties, in parts of which I have been travelling with the Word of Life, are Antigonishe, Lunenburg and Shelburne. In the heat of summer and amid the snows of winter, my time has been fully occupied, either in going from house to house with the precious book, or in attending and addressing meetings connected with the circulation of God's word. In every county in Nova Scotia proper, and with the single exception of Cumberland, twice, in each county have I travelled, advocating the claims of God's Word. In the Quarterly Reports given in, I have particularly described my work in these places, specifying the parts where the greatest destitution existed.

During the past year I have, in prosecution of my work, travelled by rail, coach, and private conveyance, 2,867 miles; sailed 218, walked 967; visited 931 families, and 24 schools; supplied 70 families with Bibles, who were destitute; addressed 161 meetings; disposed of 421 Bibles and 524 Testaments—in all 945 copies of the Word of God.

Incidents are frequently occurring, trivial perhaps in them-