

FREE CIRCULATING LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND.

This library of raised print books was established in 1881. Early in the present year, owing to the great demand for books on the part of the graduates of the School and the adult blind who have been taught to read in their homes, an effort was made to secure funds to increase the number of volumes in the library. In response to a circular letter sent out from the School many friends have already liberally responded, or have intimated their intention of doing so at an early date. Since the first of Nov., 1898, embossed books for the blind have, by the authority of the Parliament of Canada, and by the order of the Postmaster-General, been transmitted through the mails free of charge. This has resulted in an increased demand for books and has made an addition to our circulating library most necessary. The library has proved a source of comfort and pleasure to scores of men and women deprived of sight, and that its blessings are gratefully appreciated is shown by the letters constantly received by the Librarian of the School. The special thanks of the readers are due to a number of ladies who have become expert Braille writers, and have copied for the library a number of very interesting books and pamphlets.

During the year 70 volumes have been added to the circulating library, in addition to the books presented by the British and Foreign Bible Society. The following contributions to the library are most gratefully acknowledged :—

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