

fidence state, that they have not been idle with regard to the circulation of "the Word," and that the inhabitants of some spiritually destitute neighbourhoods, and the children of some poor, ignorant, or indifferent parents may be found to rise up in the great day of account and call *them* blessed, who have contributed by their money or by their endeavours to the objects of this Association.

While, therefore, they thankfully acknowledge past favours, they still appeal to their friends and subscribers, to place in their hands further means for the accomplishment of the good which they desire. As Protestants, they feel that it does not become them to sleep while the enemy is making extraordinary efforts to deface the Chart of their pilgrimage; as Christians they cannot be idle, while attempts are being made to banish the Book, which testifies of the "Author and Finisher of their faith." They may be told that women have nothing to do with such matters, but as Christian women they cannot forget that those of their sex who were "wise hearted" wrought for the service of the tabernacle, and that St. Paul commended those *women who laboured with him in the Gospel*. It is true that there are many, who, if asked to relieve the bodily wants of their fellow creatures, would be found most willing, but if urged to aid in procuring food for their immortal souls, feel that they care for none of these things; but of such the enquiry may justly be made: "What shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his soul?" The Committee, however, have no cause to complain, but much rather to rejoice, that, during a season of commercial depression, such kind and liberal aid has been afforded them, without interfering, they believe, with the just claims of any other Society, and that few have been the instances in which they have not been kindly received and generously assisted, proving they trust, that there exists in this community much interest both in the spiritual and bodily necessities of their brethren.

The Committee beg leave to lay the following statement of their proceedings, before their friends and subscribers:—

Sum received in Subscriptions and Donations, and from the sale of Bibles and Testaments, £71 4s. 4½d. In hand from last year, £3 9s. 4d. £72 have been paid to the Nova Scotia Bible Society, for the purposes of that Society, and this Association has received and distributed 242 Bibles and 39 Testaments, to the amount of £19 4s. 8d. from the Society. £1 6s. spent in defraying incidental expenses of the Association. Remaining in hands of the Treasurer, £2 5s. 7d.

Mrs. W. H. ROBINSON, *President*.

Mrs. S. N. BINNEY, *Treasurer*.

Miss BRAINE, *Secretary*.

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