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THE LATE BISHOP OF HURON.

Since the publication of our last RECORDER it has pleased our Divine Master to call to his reward, the highly esteemed and beloved President of the London Auxiliary Bible Society. The resolutions of regret at his loss, and of condolence with his bereaved partner and children, here presented, were unanimously and cordially adopted by the London Committee. Few men have been taken from our midst whose departure will be more generally felt, and none whose character was more marked for undoubted catholicity of spirit, heartfelt devotion to the Bible Society, and unflinching adherence to the principles which that Bible inculcates.

"The sad and serious loss to the London Auxiliary Bible Society in the death of its deeply lamented President, the Right Rev. Bishop Cronyn, led the Committee of that Auxiliary at its last meeting to pass the following resolution as a just tribute to departed worth:—

"The Committee of the London Auxiliary Bible Society, at this their first meeting since the death of the President, the Right Reverend Benjamin Cronyn, D.D., Bishop of Huron, would place on record a notice of that lamented event, which took place on the 22nd September, 1871, being the 60th year of his age. For ten years he held the office of President to the London Branch Bible Society, and held the same office to the Auxiliary from the date of its formation to the time of his death, discharging the duties thereof with diligence and efficiency.

"The Committee would record an expression of their high regard for his character, their gratitude to God for the long and valuable service which he rendered to the cause of Bible distribution, and their sense of the loss which the Auxiliary, and the Bible cause in general, have sustained by his decease.

"The Committee would also express their deep sympathy with the widow and other members of the family under the painful bereavement which they have been called to experience, and pray that they may be sustained and comforted by the grace of that Saviour in whom the departed husband and father trusted."

(Signed)

J. SCOTT, *Chairman.*

J. NATTRASS, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE REV. W. S. BALL.

GUELPH, Nov. 10th, 1871.

To the Directors of the Upper Canada Bible Society.

GENTLEMEN,—In giving a short account of my labours in work of your Society I may state that my field of labour took me through the county of Elgin, which lies within the bounds of the London Auxiliary, to which I have already sent a short report. I also visited the branches in the counties of Oxford, Brant, Waterloo and Wellington, and for special reasons attended the meetings at St. Catharines and Norval.

It is rather tiresome, and by no means necessary, to mention the particulars of each Branch, but with few exceptions I found the work carefully managed and energetically prosecuted. I found that in certain places Branches had been unwisely formed and then left to perish from neglect. Brantford still maintains its towering pre-eminence. St. Catharines has made a vast stride in advance. Embro surpassed all former efforts, but Woodstock needs some