

by which they were previously distinguished.

The circulation for the year was 27,037 copies. This shows an increase, as compared with the previous year, to the extent of 7666 copies, and brings the entire circulation of the Auxiliary to the large total of 373,467.

The following sums have been received during the year which closed March 30th: Free Contribution, 533*l.* 18*s.* 9*d.*; Purchase Account, 1404*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.**

KINGSTON.—The renewal of Colportage has given an impetus to the issues of this Auxiliary, which have reached a total for the year of 3290 copies.

MONTREAL.—The general operations of the Montreal Auxiliary are satisfactory and progressive. The issues have been 12,816, showing an increase, as compared with the previous year, of 1300 copies, and bringing the total circulation of the Auxiliary to 247,984.

QUEBEC.—In reporting issues, the following remarks are presented:—

“The entire number of copies issued is 1187, which may appear insignificant for the extent of the field occupied; but its peculiar nature would, under the existing state of things, preclude the hope of any very great progressive increase in the annual circulation. The entire issues of the Auxiliary to the present time are 21,320 copies.”

NEW BRUNSWICK.—**ST. JOHN.**—The Auxiliary for the Colony of New Brunswick continues to prosper. Free Contributions have been received from the Auxiliary and its Branches (inclusive of payments on account of legacies) amounting to 395*l.* 5*s.*; † and 1474 copies of Scripture have been forwarded to St. John.

FREDERICTON.—The circulation effected by the Auxiliary for the past year was 1600 copies. A Colporteur materially aided the distribution, visiting, during the summer, 800 families scattered over a wide district, 45 of whom were found entirely destitute of the Scriptures.

NOVA SCOTIA.—**HALIFAX.**—The sum of 205*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.* has been received for the purchase of Scriptures, in addition to 200*l.* for General Purposes. The Dépôt has been supplied with 2506 copies.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.—**CHARLOTTE TOWN.**—The correspondence from the Auxiliary in this island informs your Committee, that the issues for the year were 2068 copies, and of this number, 1060 had been sold through the zealous efforts

* Since this date, further remittances have been received, comprising 550*l.* 17*s.* 3*d.* as Free Contribution, and 700*l.* on Purchase Account.

† Further remittances, comprising 301*l.* 16*s.* 9*d.*, have been received since the accounts of the year were closed.

of a Colporteur in the short space of fifteen weeks.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—**ST. JOHN'S.**—The circulation of the year was 1830 copies, making the total issues of the Auxiliary 18,903. The Parent Society has received 87*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* in payment for supplies of Scriptures, and 182*l.* 0*s.* 8*d.* for General Purposes.

DOMESTIC.—The past year, no less than its predecessors, has witnessed the removal by death of some earnest and long-tried friends of the Society. The Bishops of Worcester and Madras, and Lord Lilford, whose names were on the list of Vice-Presidents, have finished their earthly course.

The following Prelates, on the invitation of your Committee, have signified the pleasure it affords them, to have their names placed on the list of Vice-Presidents of the Society:—The Right Reverends the Bishops of Carlisle, Rochester, Sierra Leone, Antigua, and Waiapu.

FUNDS.—The prosperous state of the Finances is once more a subject for devout congratulation. The Receipts from ordinary sources have reached the sum of 167,164*l.* 6*s.* 7*d.* To this amount must be added 777*l.* 8*s.* for Special Funds, thus bringing the entire Receipts to a GRAND TOTAL of 167,941*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.*

A large increase is thus apparent as compared with the previous year, the excess on the total income being 3805*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.*, and on the ordinary income 5143*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.*

The sum applicable to the GENERAL PURPOSES of the Society is 84,254*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*

The Receipts for the sale of Scriptures have produced the sum of 82,909*l.* 15*s.* 3*d.*

The EXPENDITURE of the Society has amounted to 165,462*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.* Omitting payments amounting to 5646*l.* 5*s.* 1*d.*, made on behalf of the Jubilee, China and India Funds, the ordinary expenditure has been 13,804*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.* below that of the preceding year, and is more than covered by the year's receipts.

ISSUES.—From the 1st of April 1860 to the 30th of March 1861, the copies circulated have amounted to 1,787,398; being less by 130,499 than in the previous twelve months. Your Committee see no ground of discouragement in this circumstance, as special and exceptional causes contributed to swell the issues announced in the last Report.

The Issues of the Society now present a total of THIRTY-NINE MILLIONS, THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIX COPIES.

The labours of the District Secretaries have been not less numerous and arduous in the past than in preceding years; and although difficulties have been occasionally