

Bible? Have you thought of the immense work there is among the Indians of our Northwest, and of the days and weeks that have been necessary to endeavor to get some of these abstract thoughts of our Bible into such shape that the Indian can apprehend it—writing them, listening, revising, re-revising in many cases, you can see, actually forming the language in order to give them in their own tongue the Word of God? Are you aware that to-day there stand over one thousand people that are engaged in the work of revision and in the work of preparing in various parts of the world in these languages the Word of God? You know what a loss we had in Dr. Kellogg, whom we had for some years in our city, and the great knowledge he had of the Indian tongues; and he has gone there for the purpose of revising the edition of the Bible that is coming out—spending years there, and bringing his acute knowledge, his intelligence and his grasp of the Bible to bear upon the work of giving to the people of India the Word of God in their own tongue. Do you know that in our own depository here we have for sale the Word of God in 30 languages? Do you know that in the agency in Turkey they have the Word of God in 40 different languages? Do you know that in Russia in the agency there they have it in 60 different languages, covering a portion of Russia? Are you surprised, therefore, when I tell you that this Bible Society has put into 320 different tongues and languages the Word of God; that with the aid of other Bible Societies we now have this Word in over 400 different tongues? Well, you say, had we not better stop? Have not we got to the end of this? Do you really think so? Do you know that in China we want 400 languages or dialects yet? Do you know that the calculation is that in Africa alone there are 600 different dialects into which that Bible is to be translated in order to give to the whole of those in the dark continent the word of God? Why, dear friends, we have only begun; and instead of having a body of a thousand we should have ten thousand people out into all parts of the land to acquire, to learn, to put into the shape of a language the Testament and finally the whole Word of God. It is immense what is yet left to be done in this way. But we have it in the 400 tongues; and you say, what does the Bible Society do with them? Why, lest you should think it is a mere place for selling the Word of God, I am glad to say, notwithstanding the financial depression, the income of the Society last year was over one million, one hundred thousand dollars, and of that about seven hundred thousand dollars went in free distribution of this Word; and that work was done by colporteurs in some 46 different lands, and done by a body of 429 Bible women; and the report is that last year these 429 Bible women read the Bible to 26,100 women. Now, will you not take more interest in this as being, not only what we have called it, a Bible Society, but a most magnificent missionary undertaking? Of these 429 Bible women that are engaged in this work, there are 303 of them in India alone invading the households, teaching the women there in their zenanas and otherwise making an entrance, opening the doors which up to that time had been closed and barred. So give your prayer and your thought on behalf of this glorious work. We might throw our "Trilbys" and other abominable trash into

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