

never ceased to labour to aid the prosperity of the Society. Nine years ago he was relieved from the office of Secretary and appointed one of the Vice-Presidents.

The travelling agent of the Society, Mr. Russell, has visited the various branches in connection with the Auxiliary, as well as the parent Society's other auxiliaries in this Province, namely, Fredericton, Miramichi, and Restigouche. He travels over 4,000 miles and addresses 100 different meetings. The Committee trust he will continue to have tokens that his labour is not in vain.

BRANCHES.

The branches now number 64, two being added during the year.

ST. JOHN LADIES' ASSOCIATION.

The Treasurer received more from this branch than any other, and as its operations are confined to Portland and St. John, it deserves special reference, having since 1826 done good service, and hopes are expressed that its efficiency may be maintained.

FINANCES.

The Treasurer's account was published last April, he had only yet received, outside of the City, contributions and donations from four or five branches. It is expected the remittances of the others will come forward within the next few weeks. Particulars of the finances are, therefore, based on the Treasurer's accounts for last year, rather than the current. From these appear the following:—

St. John (including handsome collection of \$175.68 at last anniversary)	\$1,180
From Branches	2,840
For Sales of Books at Depository	650
Legacy by the late Stephen Palmer, Sen., Hampstead.	100
Making nearly \$5,000 in all received by the Treasurer.	

£684 9s. sterling was forwarded as a free donation to the parent Society, a little over the average of the last few years. In acknowledging the last donation the Secretary of the parent Society thanks the friends in New Brunswick "for the munificent help they continue to afford." £250 were recently remitted in payment of an importation of books for the depository.

OTHER NEW BRUNSWICK AUXILIARIES.

In addition to the contribution from the St. John Auxiliary, the report of the parent Society acknowledges £90 from the other three New Brunswick Auxiliaries, viz. : £55 from Fredericton, £30 from the "Ladies Association" at Miramichi, and £5 from Restigouche, thus making New Brunswick's gift to the British and Foreign Bible Society in 1874, £775 sterling.

CONCLUSION.

The report concludes with congratulation at being enabled to help on the work. Popery, Infidelity and Science were all striving to undermine the authority of the Bible, and deny the existence of its Author, and never was there a time when it was more bitterly assailed, but the combined annual circulation of the world's Bible Societies is now between four or five millions of copies.

The first resolution was read by the Rev. Dr. MacLise. It is as follows:—

"That the report now read be received and printed under the direction of the Committee, and that the following gentlemen be the Committee for the present year: Messrs. J. Wishart, E. Sears, T. B. Barker, James Logan, W. Peters, John Boyd, G. W. White, Matthew Lindsay, Joseph Prichard,