

It has been one of the most satisfactory, and we doubt not will also eventually appear to have been one of the most profitable parts of the duty of your Committee, to supply the different Sunday Schools in various parts of the Province with Copies of the Word of God, and there have been distributed for the use of those excellent Seminaries of early piety, 138 Bibles and 241 Testaments.—The total amount of Issues above enumerated being 856 Bibles and 1301 Testaments.

There has also been an appropriation of a number of Copies of the Scriptures made by your Committee of which, we trust, the Society will approve. We have had for many years past a number of Copies of the German Scriptures, lying useless in our Depository, having been originally sent out to this Society through mistake, and there being no demand for them in this Province: On communicating with the American Bible Society we found that they had an ample field for their distribution in that country; and your Committee therefore forwarded 445 German Testaments to New York, and received from Mr. Brigham the Corresponding Secretary of the American Bible Society, a letter expressing their obligations to us, and offering in return, to supply us, if necessary, with Two Hundred English Bibles, which kind offer however we had not then occasion to accept, as we had a full supply of Bibles on hand.

There has been received since the last Report, at the Depository from the British and Foreign Bible Society, including also a few copies of the Scriptures in foreign languages from other sources, 486 Bibles and 914 Testaments.

Since the first organization of this Society in the year 1814, up to the present time, there have been received from the parent Society 7,370 copies of the Bible, and 11,663 copies of the New Testament; and there are at the present time on hand 389 Bibles and 237 Testaments.

It evidently appears by the above statements that much remains to be accomplished towards increasing the funds and carrying into effect the objects of the Society throughout the Province, and that an increased measure of energy and activity in aid of our cause is highly desirable.

It is well known, that in many of the newly settled parts of the Country, and along its shores, where the population are, for a great part of the year, deprived of a regular communication with the Capital, or other places, and composed of persons engaged in Navigation or the Fisheries, that a vast amount of good might be done by the circulation of the Scriptures, among those who have never yet learned to value its sacred treasures.

Such facts should stimulate these who in any degree appreciate the inestimable benefits which must result from the diffusion and knowledge of the Bible, to come forward and by their contributions or their exertions, lend their ready assistance to so holy a cause.

Your Committee would conclude with expressing their earnest desire that the interests of the Institution may never cease to be