

Issues by the British and Foreign Bible Society from 1804 to 1863, inclusive—Continued.

YEAR OF OPERATION.		FROM LONDON.		ON THE CONTINENT, ETC.		Total.
		Bibles and Parts of Old Testament.	New Testaments and Parts.	Bibles and Parts of Old Testament.	New Testaments and Parts.	
Year ending	March 31, 1855,...	503,951	514,931	107,741	324,253	1,450,876
.....	March 31, 1856,...	488,667	463,478	126,968	395,231	1,474,394
.....	March 31, 1857,...	531,936	469,979	144,907	370,986	1,517,853
.....	March 31, 1858,...	511,609	464,954	201,696	423,923	1,602,187
.....	March 31, 1859,...	533,485	455,802	190,249	446,449	1,625,985
.....	March 31, 1860,...	639,214	602,465	205,170	471,043	1,917,897
.....	March 31, 1861,...	594,651	544,901	185,670	462,176	1,787,898
.....	March 31, 1862,...	538,820	461,187	146,619	443,672	1,595,243
.....	March 31, 1863,...	594,049	924,420	133,084	477,307	2,133,860
.....	March 31, 1864,...	733,228	1,116,539	133,703	511,643	2,495,118
.....	March 31, 1865,...	676,672	1,063,998	144,706	559,751	2,460,127
.....	March 31, 1866,...	623,033	843,011	170,154	654,932	2,296,130
.....	March 30, 1867,...	613,342	780,634	191,693	797,711	2,383,330
.....	March 30, 1868,...	594,363	757,626	215,079	830,708	2,400,776
TOTAL.....		17827,743	20404,641	3601,600	13235,881	55,069,365

The Secretary in his letter gives the following *resumé* of the Society's operations during the year. He says:—

"It cannot be otherwise than a source of real gratification and thankfulness to every true lover of his Bible to find that from year to year the efforts of the Society, whose one single aim is to diffuse that Bible in the varied languages of the earth, among all people, kindreds and tribes, are meeting with increased success; and that there is no deminution in the desire felt to become possessed of a treasure, which, while it reveals man's fallen state by nature, at the same time proclaims a Saviour who came into the world to die, that perishing sinners might live.

"During the year just closed, the Society has again had many proofs that the work which it is carrying on is accompanied by a rich blessing from a covenant God. Whether we regard the state of the Society's funds, or the amount of work which it has been the means of accomplishing, there is every reason to thank God, and to push onward with our labours with renewed courage.

In France, upwards of 91,000 copies have been put into circulation in connection with our general work, in addition to 169,000 copies, mostly portions which were sold or distributed on the occasion of the Universal Exhibition in Paris, and our agent supplies us with many facts showing the increased desire which is now manifested by Roman Catholics in all parts of the country to become acquainted with the truths of the Gospel. A specially interesting work of Scripture circulation continues to be carried on among the men of the French army, which is aided and promoted by not a few of the superior officers. The work at the exhibition