## THE SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

## NEW BRUNSWICK AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY

WAS HELD IN THE

HALL OF THE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE, ST. JOHN, ON THURSDAY EVENING, JANUARY 6th, 1881.

The attendance was very large, the Hall being filled to its utmost capacity.

The President, LEB. BOTSFORD, Esq., M. D., took the Chair at 7.30 o'clock.

The exercises began by the President announcing the hymn commencing—

Father of mercies in Thy Word
What endless glory shines!
Forever be Thy name adored
For these celestial lines.

Rev. Dr. WATERS read Psalm lxxii, and afterwards offered up prayer.

## ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT.

Your presence here to-night, again, shows that your interest in the cause of the British and Foreign Bible Society still continues, and, let us hope, increases in every one of us as the years roll round. And surely our hearts should rejoice as from year to year we have of its success in old fields and the extension of its object into new regions. It is true that it was small, very small, in its beginning; it is still small compared with the work it has undertaken to perform, but it is widening everywhere. The fields now sown are