

ful heart to God, for his preserving mercy, and thankfulness to many kind families and friends, for their Christian hospitalities and co-operation.

I am, gentlemen,  
In the Gospel of Christ,  
Yours very truly,

T. GOLDSMITH.

Hamilton, April 15th, 1870.

### LONDON AUXILIARY.

The *Recorder* for March, pp. 34, 35, contains a notice of the annual meeting of this flourishing Auxiliary, and a summary of the Treasurer's and the Depositary's Reports. We feel much inclined, could we find room, to convey our congratulations, and at the same time to urge upon our London friends not to lose sight of the "grave responsibility," as well as "great honour," which the cultivation of their rich vineyard—rich in every sense—lays upon them. We now with pleasure introduce our readers to Mr. Goldsmith's excellent report of this Western field.

### REV. THOMAS GOLDSMITH'S REPORT.

#### LONDON AUXILIARY.

HAMILTON, DEC. 29TH, 1869.

*To the Directors of the London Auxiliary:—*

GENTLEMEN,—Having completed my tour of the branches in your Auxiliary, I seize this my first opportunity of reporting to you the condition and general aspect of the work. It is unfortunate that a considerable portion of this work has fallen upon a time unfavorable to the collecting of cash, being in the months of May, June and July, when there is but little money astir in the country, and moreover, this being so early in our fiscal year, the branches visited at this time (being a little more than one third of the whole), were not ready to report. In each of these cases, we made provision to collect and send on their funds at the earliest favorable opportunity. I hope, ere this, you have heard a favourable account of these branches, and large cash remittances. The branches that I visited in the fall were in the main ready with their cash, which was in most places in advance of last year, and I think I may predict another year of increase to your funds.

You will be glad to learn that there is perfect harmony among the Branches, with satisfaction and confidence in your administration, as indicated by the large proportion of the cash raised, contributed to your Board to enable you to enter upon the work of Colportage—a branch of service, in some parts of your field, felt to be a necessity. In some parts of your field, Mr. Lowry has been engaged during the last few years, and though it has been for short periods, and only in small portions, still his labours have resulted in great good, and this is manifest not only in the large number of copies of the Holy Scriptures sold, but also by the improved tone of public sentiment and feeling in regard to the Bible Society. Your Auxiliary furnishes a most important sphere for the continuous labors of a Colporteur, and from what I have witnessed of its results on a small scale and in a casual manner, I am quite certain it would largely increase your money receipts, if it were maintained as a regular arm of the service in your work.

The weather has been so wet and capricious this year, as a whole, that it has greatly interfered with our work, and in some few instances, storms of such violence have occurred as utterly to defeat our meetings; however, most