

They are granted free, or at nominal rates, to multitudes of Sunday Schools and Missions of all denominations. Grants are made to orphanages, hospitals, and asylums; to soldiers' institutes and deep-sea fishermen. It has lessened much the cost of Bibles for the use of the blind, and to the Society many Missions and Mission Societies are indebted for the translations of the Bible their converts use. Such a work, then, deserves and should receive, the willing and liberal support and prayers of all who believe that the Holy Scriptures are God's message to the children of men, and are able to make them wise to salvation, through faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Bible Society has for ninety-five years been the great instrument in modern times by which God's Providence is accomplishing the wonderful work of translating the Scriptures; already it has helped the Gospel to speak in some 350 languages and dialects; so that the Bible, which a century ago was a sealed book to four men out of every five, to-day lies open, more or less completely, to seven men out of every ten in the world; such a result bears the manifest seal of a Divine vocation.

The following record of the British and Foreign Bible Society's work for last year, will show how much it needs, and also deserves, increased support:—

1. It issued over 4,419,000 Bibles, Testaments, and portions of Scripture—a record total. Thirty per cent. of these were in English or Welsh. Since the Society was founded in 1804, it has issued over 160 million copies, in 350 different languages.
2. It employed 725 colporteurs abroad, who sold over a million and a half copies.
3. It supported over 550 native Christian Bible Women in the East, chiefly in connection with some thirty different Missionary and Bible Societies.
4. It supervised or assisted translations or revisions of Scripture in 133 different languages—25 of them for India, and more than 30 for Africa. Thirteen of the translations are into new tongues, which had not previously appeared on the Society's list. These figures surpass any previous record of the Society. The thirteen new languages are: Bicol and Ilocano, dialects of the Phillipines; Chitonga, for the Atonga tribe, Central Africa; Bashkir Turki, for a Siberian tribe; Cakchiquel, for Indians in Central America; Koranko, for the Western Soudan; Soga, for Uganda Tribes, east of the Nile; Kurku for a hill tribe in Central India; Kien-yang for south-east China; Dieri, for South Australian aborigines; Fanting and Ranon, for the New Hebrides; Yakut, for Northern Siberia. Nearly 1,000 translators, revisers and assistants, are variously engaged in carrying on this world-wide task, under the Society's auspices, and mainly at its expense.

5. It constitutes a great English Bible supply, The Commission, uses the Bible. With comparative by the British Bible that, apart from Bibles and Testaments, undenomination indirectly, by the cases, these Scriptures gift, carriage paid.

6. While its total payments and contributions from increased by £3,000, the Agency shows how increasing work Bible.

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