

## APPENDIX B.

REPORTS OF THE TRAVELLING AGENTS OF THE UPPER  
CANADA BIBLE SOCIETY.

## (1.)—MR. S. B. JOHNSON'S REPORT.

*The Secretaries of the U. C. Bible Society.*

AUBURN HOUSE, PETERBORO, 31st March, 1868.

DEAR SIRS,—In commencing my report of labors for the thirteenth year in which I have been engaged in travelling for your Society, there is very much which calls for devout thankfulness to Almighty God for his continued goodness: to be preserved in health amid all the changes incident to our climate, to be able to keep actively engaged in one of the noblest aims that can possibly engage human attention, to see the good work prospering in our young and rising Dominion, is a source of satisfaction and delight; yet when we remember the land still in the possession of the adversary, the large majority of the inhabitants of this earth still under the dominancy of the Man of Sin, who can withhold the prayer, "Let thy Kingdom come till thy will is done on earth, even as it is done in heaven."

After a careful and minute attention to all the Branches in connection with the Kingston Auxiliary, I paid as usual my first visit to the small but interesting village of *Dunbarton*, where a vigorous organization has for many years been carried on, and I was delighted to find, which I took as an augury of success for the year, that their returns showed a small advance upon the preceding year. We had a very interesting meeting; our old and valued president still in the chair, though very near the end of his pilgrimage below. I received \$20 to the British and Foreign Bible Society and \$21 27 to the Upper Canada Bible Society.

At *Duffin's Creek*, although the returns were not made, some improvement is perceptible, and I trust we may yet rejoice with our friends on a return to their former prosperity and benevolence. *Greenwood*, a new lively branch, is doing remarkably well. Its sales of Scriptures have been unusually large, and its Free Contributions have already equalled many of our old and liberal branches. We have here the great advantage of a most active set of officers, who have gone heart and soul into the work. The contributions, which were most liberal, have been forwarded since my visit. Long may they exert the same influence for good with which they have commenced their labors among us. *Claremont* I found active and vigorous as ever. We had as usual a crowded meeting, and were favored with the assistance of the various ministers in the neighborhood. The returns show a most gratifying increase over those of last year, though these were liberal. *Whitby* is another Branch that has been faithful to its trust for many years, this year more energetic than ever. A series of meetings have been held in the neighborhood, with a view to increase the efficiency of the Branch. We know no means whereby the Society can be more largely assisted than in this way, and would urge our

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