

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The Ninety-First Annual Meeting of this venerable Society was held in Exeter Hall, London, Eng., on Wednesday, 1st May, 1895, and was a great success. The attendance was larger than in the previous year, and the audience was widely representative of the different Churches.

In the absence, through ill health, of the noble President, Lord. Harrowby, the chair was occupied by *Lord Kinnaird*, and the speeches were full of interest.

All friends of the Society and its great work will be pleased to learn that the deficit in revenue, which caused some discouragement for a few years past, has now been cleared off, and that the Reserve Fund has been restored to its normal condition.

As the "Abstract of Report," as presented to that meeting, is reproduced in this issue, we only note a few statistics, viz : Issues of Scriptures, 3,837,222 copies.

	£	s.	d.
Total Revenue for the year, 1894-5.....	233,363	6	8
" Expenditure " " "	214,970	7	10

Surplus of receipts over expenses..... £18,392 18 10

From a letter dated 2nd May, 1895, from one of the Secretaries of the British and Foreign Bible Society, we quote, viz: "You will note with thankfulness that with the surplus, which has been given to us again this year, the deficit has been completely covered. For the share which the Upper Canada Bible Society and its Branches have had in bringing about this happy result, we are very thankful. Will you kindly convey the expression of our gratitude, both to your Board of Directors and to the Officers of your Branches, and also convey to them our thanks for the noble remittance forwarded in your letter of April 18th."

(See Abstract of Report, page 13.)

ISSUES FROM THE DEPOSITORY, TORONTO, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH MARCH 1895, AND COMPARISON WITH THOSE OF PREVIOUS YEAR.

		1893-94.	1894-95.
To Branches and the Trade.....	Bibles,	10,109	9,634
	Testaments,	6,235	5,568
	Portions	137	158
		16,481	15,360
By Colporteurs.....	Bibles,	3,018	3,452
	Testaments,	2,930	3,088
		5,948	6,540
Sold in the Depository.....	Bibles,	4,358	3,917
	Testaments,	3,238	4,672
	Portions,	824	739
		8,420	9,328
Gratuitous Issues.....	Bibles,	361	929
	Testaments,	427	760
	Portions,	24	60
		812	1,749
Total for year.....		31,661	32,977