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"If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of Ged." "This is love, that we walk after his commandments."

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NEW-BRUNSWICK BIBLE SOCIETY.

The anniversary meeting of this Society was held at the Instituteon Thesday evening. Jan. 11th. As usual, on these occasions, the spacious Hall was densely crowded, and large numbers were unable It was indeed a cheering sight to witness so many to gain admittance of our citizens of all denominations of Christians assembled together to support the cause of the Bible Society. It proved that this noble Institution not only retains its influence in this community, but that it is advancing steadily onward, and gaining friends on every hand. The chair was taken at 7 o'clock by the President of the Society, Mr. Justice Parker; the first four verses of the sixty-sixth Psalm were then sung with delightful effect; the Rev. Mr. Donald then read the seventy-second Psalm, when the President rose and said that-We were assembled at a period of peculiar interest to all members of Rible Societies—just on the eve of the Jubilee year of the great Parent Institution, the British and Foreign Bible Society. had been called to this circumstance by a Circular just received, announcing the intention of the Society to commemorate the year by a special Celebration and a special Fund. "It is." as that paper states, "a period in the history of the British and Foreign Bible Society, when it will be most becoming in all its supporters and friends to pause and review the past dealings of God with it, and to stir up one another to a more full accomplishment of the mission with which it is entrusted." The President then alluded to the wonderful discoveries and improvements in arts and sciences of the last half-century -steam conveyance by land and sea-the application of the power of steam to machinery of all sorts, especially the printing press-the electric telegraph—Daguerentyping—chloroform—agricultural-chemistry—gas, &c., and asked what were all these but benefits and blestsings conferred on the present generation by a kind Providence, which. had been withheld from those of the hundreds and thousands of years: which have preceded us; and calling loudly on us, in recognition of of these blessings, in the words of the Psalmist, "to make God's ways. known upon earth. It is saving health among all nations." Surely the formation and success of the Bible Society ought to be ranked with the great events of the whole century, and well justified the prominent place it sustains before the world, and the deep hold it has on the affect