

been from the beginning of our present system of education. The point is, whether a few infidels, Jews, and Romanists, only about a tithe of our entire population, shall deprive us and our children of one of our most sacred and valuable privileges.

We respectfully submit to all the intelligent people of the land, that there can be no complete education without the Bible. This book is the book of humanity and of God, and has a right *every where*, but especially has it a place in every school, as a branch of study which cannot be ignored. The moment it is excluded from any school, that moment that school is converted into a heathen seminary, and a great wrong is suffered and perpetrated.

The truth is, we have been too liberal in this matter. The time was when the Bible was not only read, but *studied* in all our schools. It should be so now. This precious volume should be a text-book. As a book of history, literature, and law, as well as the great Gospel directory, it should be carefully investigated. Let it be understood that no person is thoroughly educated who is ignorant of Bible truth, and this grand old book will be sought after, not thrust aside.—*Extract from a Sermon by the Rev. Dr. Stryker, Bible Society Record, New York.*

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REPORT OF THE REV. ST. GEORGE CAULFIELD, LL.D.

To the Board of Directors of the Upper Canada Bible Society.

GENTLEMEN,—Having, during the last winter, visited, as your agent, four counties, I beg leave to make the following report :—

In the month of October I visited eight branches in the County of Bruce. As in all cases they had been without an agent's visit for two, and in some cases for four years, I found much disorganization ; but fair promises of amendment were made, and in nearly all the branches they at once set actively to work.

What I witnessed in Bruce has strengthened my opinion of the absurdity of an idea which I found to be gaining ground in some places (generally not the most active branches), that the agency was a needless expense. As I am resigning my agency, I may, perhaps, state my conviction, without indelicacy, that, without the constant and active supervision of a competent agent, the work of the Bible Society would languish, and, in many of the branches die out.

In November and December, I visited sixteen branches in Middlesex. Whilst there are some excellently-managed branches in Middlesex, yet, as a general rule, I have found that county, though the richest in my field, the least zealous in the work of the Lord. I fear, amidst all the temporal blessings so richly poured out upon them, they forget the hand that gives.

In January and February, I visited eight more branches in Middlesex, and in the County of Perth nine branches.

In the month of March, I visited seventeen branches in the County of Huron, most of which I found in a healthy condition, though in some places, as Goderich, Seaforth and Clinton, a good deal of injury, I fear of a permanent character, has been done to the good cause by those who ought to have been its most active supporters. How easy it is to raise reports injurious to a Society, especially a religious one ; how difficult to quell the most unfounded rumours.