

## RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY, LONDON.

This mighty Parent Institution still "rejoices as a strong man to run a race," and renews and increases its strength with each annual period. With growing experience and resources, it goes on still devising more liberal things in blessing the world with the literature of the Cross. In its yearly career of beneficence, "its going forth is from the end of the heaven, and its circuit is unto the ends of it," dispensing blessings on every shore to them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

The issues of the Society's publications during the year ending in May last, were 20,887,064, being an increase of 1,641,623 on the previous year. The total circulation of Tracts and Books, in 110 languages, including the issues of affiliated societies in foreign lands, has been from the beginning about 549,000,000. The total receipts for the year were larger than ever, and amounted to £62,169 9s 11d, including £7,002 7s 8d of benevolent contributions to aid its gratuitous issues, which issues amounted to no less than £8,563, 9s, being £1,983 6s 8d more than the free-will offerings cast into the treasury.

The Report is full, as usual, of facts and narratives demonstrating the wonderful success, under God, of the tract enterprise in advancing true religion. A few instances are here subjoined :

## A TRACT ON THE SHORE.

A gentleman from Ireland had gone to Torquay in attendance on a younger brother, an officer in the army, in a declining state of health. Neither of them knew the other's mind upon religious subjects; but the elder had been for some years anxiously inquiring about them, and was greatly harassed with doubts,

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