

previously stated, to the original formation of the Society. *WALCE*, he said, was now peculiarly a land of Bibles, and she might well take part in the Jubilee of a Society which her own wants had indirectly originated.

The *Rev. Dr. CURMING* moved the following resolution:—"That this meeting, while calling on all the friends of the Society to unite in commemorating its year of Jubilee, would express their earnest desire and hope, that whatsoever is done may be in humble dependence on the blessing of Almighty God, and to his glory." [Speech in our next.]

*Mr. W. JONES*, Secretary of the Religious Tract Society, said he rose to connect the commencement of that Society with the Society whose meeting was about to terminate.—In a little book which he held in his hand there was recorded the first official minute of the desirableness of establishing that noble institution; and, so small was the beginning that the founders of this Society actually borrowed two or three pages of the minute book of the Tract Society for the purpose of making a record of their proceedings on the occasion. [Cheers.]

*Lord C. RUSSELL* moved the following resolution:—"That the warmest thanks of this meeting be given to the Right Hon. the Earl of Shaftesbury, President, for his Lordship's kind attention to the business of the day."—Such a resolution ought, he thought, to have been entrusted to the descendant of the first President of the Society; but as it had been given to himself, he would observe, that long before he had the pleasure of the Chairman's acquaintance, he, like many others, watched his career with great interest. [Cheers.] No doubt his Lordship was much indebted for the formation of his Christian character to that Society; and he believed he spoke the sentiments of the people of England when he said, they were quite contented that a Society which was the glory of the land, should be presided over by the noble Earl. [Cheers.]

The resolution was seconded by the *Rev. Mr. BEVAN*, and on being put by *Lord C. Russell* to the meeting, was carried with acclamation.

The *CHAIRMAN*, in returning thanks, said, he trusted they would all continue to manifest increased interest in a Society which he had said before, and would now repeat, was the greatest effort of uninspired man for the benefit, temporal and eternal, of the human race. [Cheers.]

The meeting then separated.

On Wednesday morning the Archbishop of Canterbury preached the Jubilee Sermon at St. Paul's Cathedral. A densely-crowded congregation was assembled, and all seemed to feel that the occasion was not only unprecedented, but of its kind, unparalleled. Among those present we observed the Bishop of Winchester, Bishop Carr, the Earls of Shaftesbury and Carlisle, the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, Mr. Alderman Hunter, a numerous body of clergy, and not a few leading Non-conformist ministers. At the close of the Liturgical service, the Archbishop took his text from Isaiah xxxii. 20, "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters."

#### THE BIBLE IN ITALY.

But what are the means? If asked what is the first mean to regenerate Italy, we answer, the Bible; if asked what is the second,

we answer, the Bible; if asked what is the third, we answer, the Bible. God is plainly announcing by his providence that He will overthrow the Papacy, regenerate Italy, and save the world, by his Word, to the exclusion of all else. No missionary could enter Italy at this moment; but the Bible will, can, and has entered Italy, and even Rome.—There are two doors by which we can send the Bible into Italy at present. We can convey it by the Simplon, the great highway from Switzerland into Italy. Covering this entrance, as it were, we have the Waldensian Church, ready and eager to assist us in this good work. Besides, the Austrian sway in Lombardy is milder than the sacerdotal government in the States of the Church; and in Lombardy and the adjoining parts of Italy it is quite practicable at this moment to distribute Bibles by colporteurs. The other door is of course on the west. There are three free ports on that side of Italy,—Genoa, Leghorn, and Civita Vecchia. Let Bibles be conveyed thither. They cannot be refused admission, being free ports; and from these places it is quite practicable, despite the Pope's myrmidons, to convey them all over Italy.—This may be done by colporteurs; but they must be prudent men. They must not offer them on the streets; they must carry them by threes and sixes in their pocket, or secreted about their persons, and distribute them privately.—*Rev. J. A. Wylie.*

#### THE BIBLE.

This book, this holy book, on every line  
Marked with the seal of high divinity,  
On every leaf bedewed with drops of love  
Divine, and with the eternal heraldry  
And signature of God Almighty stamped  
From first to last, this ray of sacred light,  
This lamp, from off the everlasting throne,  
Mercy took down, and in the night of Time  
Stood, casting on the dark her gracious bow;  
And evermore beseeching men, with tears  
And earnest sighs, to read, believe, and live.  
And many to her voice gave ear, and roared,  
Believed, obeyed; and now, as the Amen,  
True, Faithful Witness swore, with snowy robes  
And branching palms surround the fount of life,  
And drink the streams of immortality,  
Forever happy, and forever young.—*Pollock.*

#### PICTOU AUXILIARY.

The Jubilee of the British and Foreign Bible Society was celebrated by the Pictou Auxiliary, on Tuesday last. The attendance was so numerous that the Assembly Hall was found quite too small for the occasion, and the meeting consequently adjourned to Prince Street Church, which was well filled. Not being personally present, we are unable to give a detailed notice of proceedings, but we understand that the exercises of the day were of a deeply interesting character. The speakers were the *Rev's. Messrs. Elliott, Roy, Martell, Waddell, Ross, Bayne, Patterson, Forsyth and Herdman, and Robert McKay, Esq.* The musical part of the entertainment was conducted by members of the different choirs of St. Andrew's, St. James's, and Prince

Street Churches, by whom a number of hymns, &c., were sung in a very effective style. A collection amounting to £12 was taken in Prince Street Church on Sunday afternoon, in aid of the Jubilee Fund. Collections were also taken in St. James's and St. Andrew's Churches for the same object, that in the former amounting to £2 8s. 6d., and in the latter, including a contribution by the children attending the Sabbath school, to £7 15s.—*Eastern Chronicle.*

#### NEW BRUNSWICK AUXILIARY.

**BIBLE SOCIETY JUBILEE FUND.**—Sermons, we understand, were preached last Lord's Day, in several Churches in the City and Province, and collections taken up in aid of this fund. The following have come to our knowledge.—In Trinity Church, £23 3s.; in St. Luke's Church, Portland, £12 12s. 6d.; in the two Methodist Chapels of the City, £22 13s. 7d.; in the St. John Presbyterian Church, £14 5s.; in the Congregational Church, Union-street, £9; in the Sydney-street Free Church, £5 10s.; in the Free Baptist Church, Waterloo-road, £5 15s.—Remitted from the Congregational Church, Cardigan, York County, £2 5s.—We understand also that three gentlemen belonging to the Episcopal Church, have each sent in a donation of £5.—*Courier.*

☞ Collections were made in behalf of the British and Foreign Bible Society Jubilee Fund, in several of the Churches of this city on Sabbath, 13th ult., and the Treasurer of the Nova Scotia Auxiliary Bible Society has since received the following sums:—

St. Matthew's Church	20	0	0
St. George's Church	10	0	0
Poplar Grove Church	10	0	0
Wesleyan Methodist Churches	11	0	0
Also, contributed by the Truro Branch Society	5	0	0

☞ The committee earnestly hope that the various congregations throughout the Province that have not yet made collections, will do so at their earliest convenience, and report the sum collected to *M. G. Black, Esq.*, Treasurer of the Jubilee Fund.

The committee will also feel greatly obliged by the President or Secretary of the various Auxiliaries and Branch Associations transmitting to their Convener all proceedings, in their respective localities, connected with this great movement.

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