

remuneration can only be secured by an enlarged subscription list, and the enlargement cannot be accomplished without such strenuous and persevering effort as will prove that the *Christian Messenger* enjoys the patronage of the denomination at large.

Your Committee therefore in view of the advantages accruing from the *Christian Messenger*, and regarding its continuance as essentially identified with our denominational welfare recommend the appointment by this Association of an Advisory Committee to co-operate with brother Nutting in carrying into effect at the close of the year such alterations as may then be needful.

The Committee recommended further the following Resolution be passed :

*Resolved*, That the Ministers and Messengers of the Eastern Baptist Association now assembled in annual session, hereby pledge themselves to exert their individual efforts to promote an increased circulation of the *Christian Messenger* in their respective localities.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN SHAW, *Chairman*.

The above Report was received and adopted by the Association, and the Resolution therein contained unanimously passed.

The following brethren were appointed an advisory Committee to carry into effect the above object, viz.:

Brethren Cramp, C. Tupper, Hunt, McLearn, and J. W. Barss.

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

We rejoice to learn that God in his providence has opened a wide and extensive field for the circulation of the Holy Bible among the nations of the earth. They are happy to perceive that an increased distribution of the sacred scriptures has been made during the past year beyond any year since the Holy Book has been given to the world. They sincerely urge upon all our churches renewed exertions to aid this great and good work ; to accompany their contributions with earnest prayer, and to continue them until all the families of the earth possess the Word of Life.

WM. BURTON, *Chairman*.