

The Rev. A. E. Russ then moved the second resolution, setting forth the deep thankfulness to Almighty God which is called for by the success attending the labours of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Mr. Russ regretted that the lateness of the time at which the resolution was put into his hands, and the press of other matters consequent upon the weekly visit of the mail steamer, prevented him from doing full justice to the resolution. He was glad to see so many present at the first meeting, and hoped that similar occasions in the future would be still more interesting and successful. He laid great stress upon the fact that the Bible contained those precepts which were the guiding principles of life. Like a powerful locomotive without an engineer, was a cultured mind without religious teachings. He hoped the day would never come when the Bible would be banished from our common schools. Non-sectarian education was a good thing and worthy the support of all, but it would be a fatal mistake to banish the Bible—a book in which there was no sectarianism—from the schools.

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Mr. Wm. Clarkson seconded the resolution. He was suffering from ill health and must ask to be excused from making a speech. He dwelt for a few minutes very earnestly on the duty of every one to aid the efforts of the Bible Society and its agents.

Rev. Mr. Jamieson, Secretary to the Branch, then gave a short history of the Bible Society here. He told how well the work had been commenced nine years ago; how, after a few years of successful work, it had languished and finally died; how those who had charge of the work had become scattered by the changes incidental to a life in a new country; and finally how the Society had been re-organized. He made an eloquent appeal to those present to be active on the side of truth, telling them how active some were on the side of error. The Speaker then gave details of the organization and standing of the Society, and informed the meeting that Messrs. Cunningham and Homer had been asked to canvass the city for members of the Society. He suggested that it would be well to make a beginning in the work at once.

While Mr. Homer was engaged in giving those present an opportunity of subscribing their names as members of the Society,

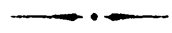
Rev. Mr. Owen said that the Secretary, in giving a history of the resurrection of the Society, had not told them how much was owing to his (the Secretary's) exertions. He therefore moved that this meeting tender its most cordial thanks to the Rev. Robert Jamieson for his exertions in behalf of the Bible Society.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Wm. Clarkson, and carried unanimously.

The Chairman announced, as the result of the canvass of the meeting, that a very encouraging beginning had been made.\*

A vote of thanks to the Chairman was then passed; the Doxology sung; a benediction pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Jamieson, and the proceedings closed.

The meeting was a most agreeable and interesting one, and we congratulate the friends of the Society on the success which has attended their efforts so far.—*Dominion Pacific Herald*.



KINGSTON AUXILIARY.—In the City of Kingston, the friends and patrons of benevolent institutions hold—as is done in Montreal and Quebec,—the anniversary services of various kindred societies, such as the Bible and Tract, during the same week, and generally in the month of January. The Annual

\* Since writing the foregoing we have received from New Westminster, as free contribution, sixty dollars—thirty to the B. & F. Bible Society and thirty to the U. C. Bible Society, which we hereby thankfully acknowledge.