

expenditure of this year has reached the sum of £169,746 13s. 10d., being a large increase of payments over the previous year.

The issues of Scriptures by the Parent Society during the past year have reached a total of 2,450,127 copies. The total issues of the Society now amount to forty-seven millions, nine hundred and eighty-nine thousand, five hundred and seventy-nine copies.

Passing over much interesting matter in the Report relative to Home work, we dwell for a moment on the agency of Bible Women, which is now known by the designation of "the Missing Link." In the help extended to this agency, that portion of labor only is paid for by the Society which relates exclusively to the circulation of the Scriptures. It may be truly affirmed, that the Bible has been placed in thousands of families for the first time, by the help of the "Missing Link," and it was a source of gratification to the Parent Committee, that last year 9,844 copies of the Scriptures were drawn from the Auxiliary Depôts to supply the demands of humble subscribers, through the agency of the Bible Women, two hundred of whom are now laboring in the very worst districts of London. The Committee further mention the gratifying fact that within seven years 50,000 Bibles and Testaments have been sold through this instrumentality among the poor working classes, and that not less than £4,000 have been cheerfully paid for this great boon.

We have now to advert to the operations of our own Society during the past year.

Our Agent, Mr. Russell, has been employed as usual in visiting the Branch Societies, and supplying those destitute of Scriptures. His reports to the Committee are always deeply interesting, and show the importance of his mission, without

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