all expense of freight and shipping charges from Glasgow to Montreal.

Taking into consideration the great and unceasing demand for the Scriptures, your Committee have thought necessary to order, from the British and Foreign Bible Society, 13,230 copies, of which a large proportion are of the cheap editions.

They here beg leave to notice that these editions form an inestimable boon in the training up our rising generation in the way they should go ; but they are not by any means so suitable for family use as those which are rather more expensive, as the slight difference in price is more than amply compensated by the superiority of the latter in paper and binding.

The great extension of the operations of our Society is mainly attributable to the employment of a travelling Agent; and your Committee desire to express their high sense of the exertions of your Agent, the Reverend James Richardson, who has been indefatigable in exhorting and exciting the people to those strenuous exertions which they are capable of making when the importance of the subject is pointed out.— Your Agent has visited most parts of Canada west of Kingston ; and we have much satisfaction in referring to his Statement, which appears in the Appendix.

Your Committee regret to state that they have had to pay duty on the supplies received last year, to the amount of £30 1s. 4d. This loss falls entirely on your Society, as no allowance for it was made on the prices of the Bibles and Testaments, which were calculated in expectation that the duties would have been remitted as formerly. This, however, the late Governor-General decided that he had not the power of doing; but, being fully persuaded of the policy, as well as the propriety, of such remission, he recommended an Act, which was passed by the last Provincial Parliament, taking off the duties on all copies of the Scriptures imported by sea, and thus conferring