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To report success in the circulation of the Word of Life, is always gratifying to those who attach importance to the present and future welfare of man. The knowledge of this Book is destined in the Providence of God to destroy the antipathies which have sundered the human race, and to foster those virtues which will restore to confidence and peace. Through its influence the stormy period of human history will draw to a close, and the calm and happiness of Eden once more abide with men. "They shall not hurt nor destroy in all the holy mountain of God, for the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth, as the waters cover the sea."

Your Committee would have had sincere pleasure in reporting more extended operations and success; but while they lament over their stunted measure of exertion, they desire to be thankful for any good which may have been done through their means.

Your Committee, anxious that persons in the country might be supplied with copies of the Scriptures, learned that owing to a scarcity of money it would be necessary to sell for produce. It therefore became expedient to form Depositories of the Scriptures at the merchants' stores, in order to supply the inhabitants with Bibles, in exchange for the produce of their farms. Your Committee are happy to report, that some persons have been obtained to dispose of them in this way, and hope that others will follow their example. Fresh facilities for distributing the Word of God in these Provinces will be thus afforded.

Your Committee deem it of great importance to multiply Branches and Associations in different parts of the country, and accordingly appointed a deputation to visit Chambly, St. Johns and Laprairie; the consequence is, that a Branch Society has been formed at St. Johns, the Laprairie Branch revived, and likely to proceed with its wonted energy. A Branch has also been formed at New Glasgow, which promises well.

Your Committee regret that no official communications have been received from the several other Branches and Associations, with the exception of that at Breadalbane, which proceeds with unwearied zeal in the good work. That the other Branches proceed in their operations we have good reason to conclude, from the circumstance of their having purchased Bibles and Testaments to the amount of £37 15 6, and £21 18 8 have been received on account of Books entrusted to our respective Agents, in different parts of the