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It now remains for your Committee in noticing the contributions to our funds, only to state, that the *direct subscriptions* to the *Nova-Scotia Bible Society*, in *Halifax*, although a number of *Subscribers* have left the Province, will equal, if not exceed those contained in the Report of the preceding year, and there is every reason to believe that with such attention as the Committee shall be able to give to the interest of the Institution, a progressive increase will continue to take place.

From the brief sketch now given of the affairs of the Society, and its different Branches during the last year, your Committee derive the most solid grounds for congratulating the friends of the Institution on the aspect of success and usefulness which it now wears. The strongest proof that can be adduced in corroboration of our expectations, is that although there are several Branch Societies from which *no returns* have as yet been made, and the amount of contributions from some of them noticed in the above statement, have not been paid in, yet the amount of what has already been received exceeds the gross amount of the Society's funds in the preceding year, up to the period of our remittance to the Parent Society in May last, by upwards of one hundred pounds.

By two most liberal and seasonable grants from the Parent Society, of 700 Bibles and 1500 Testaments, in addition to our Stock remaining on hand from the former year, and of 170 Bibles and 45 Testaments received on account of our last remittance, your Committee have been happily enabled to meet the numerous and extensive demands which have been made upon them during the last year, and which in the amount of Copies of the Scriptures distributed, exceeds by more than nine times that of the year preceding. There have been furnished to Branch Societies 343 Bibles and 112 Testaments.—175 Bibles and 349 Testaments have been distributed from the Depository at Halifax, in various ways either for sale or gratuitously, making in all 518 Bibles and 1161 Testaments, given out for circulation in the Province, and there now remain on hand, 696 Bibles, and 1421 Testaments, in various languages. This large stock on hand, has arisen from the late season at which some of the books arrived from England, and it will enable your Committee to meet the demands that are likely to be made early in the spring from various quarters.

Among the Scriptures distributed from the Depository at Halifax, it may be proper to state that 22 Bibles, and 150 Testaments have been given gratis by the Committee, to the several Sunday schools established in Halifax; as they deemed it peculiarly suitable to the views of the Society, to give every encouragement to those useful Institutions, as well as one of the most probable means of producing effectual good, to place the word of God in the hands of the rising generation.

But it is time that we should turn, and take a brief view of the