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**Bible Societies.** One Clergyman of that communion, Leander Van Ess, Professor of Divinity in the University of Marbourg, is worthy of particular notice; This distinguished Ecclesiastic published, some years ago, a translation of the new testament into the German language; and of this translation, and chiefly through his instrumentality, 431,163 copies had been distributed among the Catholics in Germany, previous to the tenth day of October last.

It is pleasing, indeed, to observe how cordially Christians, of every denomination and of every rank, combine to promote the dissemination of the Scriptures. Protestants and Roman Catholics, Lutherans and Calvinists, Churchmen and Dissenters, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Independents, Baptists and Methodists, together with numbers of the Greek, Armenian and Moravian Churches here meet together on common ground, and embrace one another with fraternal affection. The most august princes, the most illustrious nobles, the most dignified prelates, the most eminent statesmen, the most renowned commanders, the profoundest scholars, the most learned divines, join hand in hand with multitudes of meaner, and of the meanest christians, in seeking the prosperity and enlargement of that Kingdom, which is righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. This may surely be regarded as an earnest of those blessed times for which we are taught to look, and the arrival of which the labours of Bible Societies have so direct a tendency to accelerate, when there shall be one sheepfold and one Shepherd; when they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying know the Lord, but all shall know him from the least to the greatest.

Who then would not wish to contribute according to his ability, to the resources and to the successes of the British and Foreign Bible Society? Who that is at all raised above a state of absolute indigence, would not be willing to relinquish a part of his substance, to impart wholesome nourishment to famishing multitudes? But how noble soever it may be to impart common food to the hungry, how much more noble is it to impart the bread of life to those who are perishing for lack of knowledge? To put the Scriptures of Truth, which are able to make wise unto salvation, into the hands of those who are ignorant of the character of the God that made them, of the relation in which they stand to him as guilty and depraved creatures, of Jesus Christ, the way and the truth and the life, by whom, and by whom alone, they can be restored to the enjoyment of his favour? In the one case we seek to ward off the stroke of temporal, but in the other, we seek to ward off the stroke of eternal death. In the one case, we may be instrumental in prolonging, for a season, that which is at best, a life of care, and of labour, and of sorrow; but in the other, we may be instrumental in opening up, to those who are the objects of our bounty, the infallible prospects of being, ere long, admitted to dwell forever in the regions of consummate and endless glory and bliss. The Committee trust, therefore, that no member of the Nova Scotia Auxiliary Society will suffer himself to grow weary in this species of well-doing, and that many of their fellow citizens will yet come forward, with alacrity, to strengthen their hands and to encourage their hearts, and invigorate their exertions in this work of the Lord. If from love to God and to our fellow creatures, we contribute of our substance, as the Lord hath prospered us for this most excellent end, we may hope that the blessing of those who are ready to perish will come upon us; that our conduct will be pleasing and acceptable to that God, in whose hand our breath is, and whose are all our ways; that when the purposes of his providence and grace with regard to us are finished upon earth, we shall be saluted with these soul rejoicing words, well done good and faithful servants, enter ye into the joy of your Lord; and that, through the ages of eternity, we shall inherit the portion of those who turn many to righteousness; shine as the brightness of the firmament, and as the stars forever and ever.

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