

he has made an extensive tour of several months.

Mr. Thomson succeeded in forming, at different places, eight Bible Societies among the sons of the forest; many of whom are now brought to revere and love that "Great Spirit" whom their forefathers ignorantly worshipped, and to take a lively part in propagating His holy word.

Toronto has been visited by Mr. Thomson; and the Toronto Bible Society has remitted, during the year, £418. A large supply of Bibles and Testaments, amounting to 5085 copies, have been forwarded thither, with a view to its becoming a central dépôt for the whole province.

Mr. Thomson has visited several other places, in some of which he held public meetings, in others he had conferences with Committees and Officers; in all of which, as well as everywhere else throughout his extensive tour, he met with the utmost kindness and hospitality, from Ministers and friends of different Religious Denominations, many of whose names your Agent specifies, and to all of whom your Committee feel cheerfully bound to offer the grateful acknowledgments of the Society.

On the 23d of September, Mr. Thomson left Toronto for Quebec, taking Prescott, Brockville, Perth, and Bytown, on his way. At these places he found many important matters to adjust, especially at Brockville, where the Society has been re-organized, with encouraging prospects of increased harmony and prosperity.

At Quebec, Mr. Thomson attended the public meeting of the Auxiliary; which has remitted £150, and ordered 260 Bibles and 50 Testaments.

The Montreal Auxiliary is still zealously employed in supplying every destitute family in the province with a copy of the Holy Scriptures. From their last Report, it appears that several additional counties and townships have been visited during the year. These investigations have brought to light numbers of families who have been living ten, twenty, thirty, and, in some instances, nearly forty years without a copy of the Scriptures: others never possessed the precious treasure. Several entries in the Journal are to this effect—"Eight years married, never had a Bible"—"Seven years married; lost three children within six days; never had a Bible—received it with tears"—"Father of six children; owns a farm, but never owned a Bible"—"Married twenty-two years; never till now possessed a Bible." In one county, out of 1469 families, 658 were found destitute; and in one day, of thirty-one families visited, twenty-three were without the Scriptures.

Dec. 24.—"One of the prisoners in the jail at Three Rivers, who cannot read, desired to get a Testament for his little daughter to read to him. The little girl proved to me that she could use it. It was of course cheerfully given."

To the dépôt at Montreal there have been granted, during the year, 4911 Bibles, and 5800 Testaments; besides which, the Montreal Auxiliary has ordered 2275 Bibles, and 4430 Testaments.

The New Brunswick Auxiliary has remitted the sum of £440, one-third of which is a free contribution; and ordered 680 Bibles, and 656 Testaments.

The Halifax Auxiliary has remitted £190; and received a grant of 100 German Bibles and 100 Testaments, for emigrants.

The Societies at Fredericton, Miramichi, Pictou, Prince-Edward's Island, and Yarmouth, have made remittances, amounting in the whole to £262 14s. 8d.

The Newfoundland School Society has remitted a further sum of £25 for Scriptures sold, and received a small grant of 1441 Bibles and 1675 Testaments.

The Missionaries of the United Brethren have completed and sent over a revised version of the Acts, the Epistles, and the Revelation, in the Esquimaux Language; 1000 copies of which have been ordered to be printed.—The translation of the Five Books of Moses, and three of the Prophets, has now been effected by the Missionaries; and they are proceeding with other parts of the Old Testament in Esquimaux. Genesis and Isaiah have already been printed.

WEST INDIES.—Mr. Wheeler, your Agent, has been occupied, during the greater part of the year, in an extensive visitation of the Island of Jamaica. He has been enabled to establish an Auxiliary for St. Dorothy, and one of Ladies, at Kingston. He has also instituted 17 new Associations, besides assisting to revive others which had gone somewhat into decay. One object, much kept in view by Mr. Wheeler in this visit, was to encourage the people to purchase the sacred volume for themselves; and so great was his success, that he took down, in 32 places, the names of 3500 individuals who came forward to pay for copies at the full cost price, it being distinctly understood that these were terms on which they were to be obtained. From one congregation alone, that of the Rev. Mr. Abbott, of St. Ann's Bay, he received 670 names.

Considerable supplies of books have been sent out during the year to Jamaica, amounting in the whole to 5232 copies; and remittances have been received from the different Auxiliaries, or from individuals to the extent of 500l.

The Jamaica Bible Society has changed its name to that of the "County of Surrey