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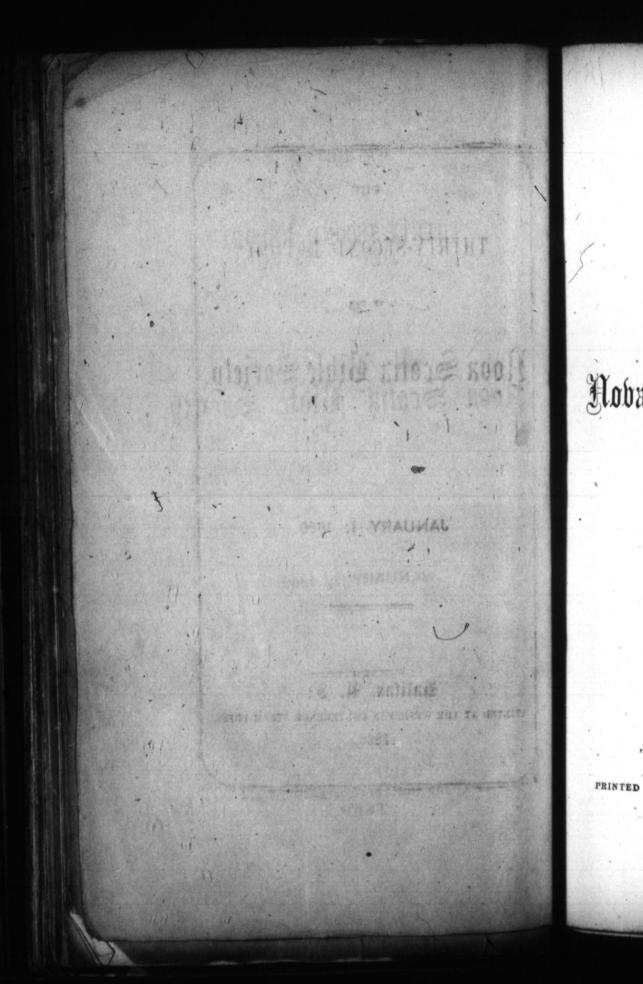
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#### LAWS AND REGULATIONS

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## BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

I. The designation of this Society shall be, THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY, of which the sole object shall be to encourage a wider circulation of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment; the only copies in the Languages of the United Kingdom, to be circulated by the Society, shall be the Authorized Version.

II. This Society shall add its endeavours to those employed by other Societies for circulating the Scriptures through the British Dominions; and shall also, according to its ability, extend its influence to other countries, whether Christian, Mahometan, or Pagan.

III. Each Subscriber of one Guinea annually shall be a Member. IV. Each Subscriber of Ten Guineas at one time shall be a Member for Life.

V. Each Subscriber of Five Guineas annually shall be a Governor. VI. Each Subscriber of Fifty Pounds at one time, or who shall, by one additional payment, increase his original subscription to Fifty Pounds, shall be a Governor for life.

VII. Governors shall be entitled to attend and vote at all Meetings of the Committee.

VIII. An Executor, paying a bequest of Fifty Pounds, shall be a Member for life; or, of One Hundred Pounds, a Governor for life.

IX. A Committee shall be appointed to conduct the business of the Society, consisting of Thirty-six Laymen, Six of whom shall be Foreigners, resident in London or its vicinity; half the remainder shall be members of the Church of England, and the other half members of other denominations of Christians. Twenty-seven of the above number, who shall have most frequently attended, shall be eligible for re-election for the ensuing year.

The Committee shall appoint all officers, except the Treasurer, and call Special General Meetings, and shall be charged with procuring for the Society suitable patronage, both British and Foreign.

X. Each member of the Society shall be entitled, under the direction of the Committee, to purchase Bibles and Testaments at the Society's prices, which shall be as low as possible.

XI. The Annual Meeting of the Society shall be held on the first Wednesday in May, when the Treasurer and Committee shall be chosen, the Accounts presented, and the proceedings of the foregoing year reported. XII. The President, Vice-Presidents, and Treasurer, shall be considered, ex officio, Members of the Committee.

XIII. Every Clergyman or Dissenting Minister, who is a Member of the Society, shall be entitled to attend and vote at all meetings of the Committee.

XIV. The Secretaries for the time being shall be considered as members of the Committee; but no other person deriving any emolument from the Society, shall have that privilege.

XV. At the General Meetings, and Meetings of the Committee, the President, or, in his absence the Vice-President first upon the list then present; and in the absence of all the Vice-Presidents the Treasurer; and in his absence such member as shall be voted for that purpose, shall preside at the Meeting.

XVI. The Committee shall meet on the first Monday in every month, or oftener if necessary.

XVII. The Committee shall have the power of nominating such persons as have rendered essential services to the Society, either MEMBERS FOR LIFE, OR GOVERNORS FOR LIFE.

XVIII. The Committee shall also have the power of nominating HONORARY MEMBERS from among foreigners who have promoted the objects of the Society.

XIX. The whole of the Minutes of every General Meeting shall be signed by the Chairman

## REGULATIONS

#### ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY IN 1826 AND 1827.

I. That the fundamental law of the Society, which limits its operations to the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, be fully and distinctly recognized as excluding the circulation of the Apocrypha.

II. That in conformity to the preceding resolution, no pecuniary aid can be granted to any Society circulating the Apocrypha; nor, except for the purpose of being applied in conformity to the said resolution, to any individual whatever.

III. That, in all cases in which grants, whether gratuitous or otherwise, of the Holy Scriptures, either in whole or in part, shall be made to any Society, the books be issued bound, and on the express condition that they shall be distributed without alteration or addition.

IV. That all grants of the Scriptures to Societies which circulate the Apocrypha, be made under the express condition that they be sold or distributed without alteration or addition; and that the proceeds of the sales of any such copies of the Scriptures be held at the disposal of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

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## NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY.

I. THIS Society shall be called "THE BIBLE SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA AND ITS DEPENDENCIES." The object of which shall be the same as that of the British and Foreign Bible Society, viz: To encourage the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, and to furnish copies of the Scriptures gratis to the indigent, and at reduced prices to those requiring them.

II. The business of this Society shall be conducted by a President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, and Committee.

III. In order to give effect to the design of this Institution benefactions and subscriptions shall be solicited, and books opened for receiving the names of benefactors and subscribers.

IV. Every person contributing annually Ten Shillings at one time, or a donation of Ten Pounds, shall be considered a Member of the Society.

V. A general meeting of the Members of this Society will be held every year, before which shall be laid the accounts and proceedings of the preceding y(ar).

VI. The whole of the subscriptions and donations, after deducting incidental expenses, shall be remitted annually in aid of the funds of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

VII. Every member of this Society shall be entitled to purchase, under the direction of the Committee, Bibles and Testaments, at the reduced prices of the Society, which are as low as possible.

VIII. The Committee shall be authorized to meet for the purpose of conducting the business of the Society as often as may be necessary, and shall have power to add to their numbers as occasion may require.

## NOVA-SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY.

## Officers.

REV. J. T. TWINING, D. D., PRESIDENT. HON. JAMES W. JOHNSON, MARTIN G. BLACK, Esq., JAMES W. NUTTING, Esq., WILLIAM PRYOR, Esq., S. L. SHANNON, Esq., ----- SECRETARY. ISAAC SMITH, Esq., ----- ASSISTANT-SEC'TY.

Committee.

REV. JOHN SCOTT, REV. R. F. UNIACKE, A. M., REV. JOHN MARTIN, REV. J. C. COCHRAN, A. M., REV. J. C. COCHRAN, A. M., REV. C. CHURCHILL, A. M., REV. J. HUNTER, REV. T. CRISP, B. A., REV. G. W. HILL, A. M., REV. G. W. HILL, A. M., REV. JOHN BREWSTER, REV. G. W. HILL, A. M., REV. S. W. SPRAGUE, HON. M. B. ALMON, HOS. HUGH BELL, HON. W. A. BLACK, JAMES F. AVERY, Esq., M. D., JOHN H ANDERSON, Esq., A. MCKINLAY, Esq.,

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## Life Members,

BY DONATIONS OF TEN POUNDS AND UPWARDS AT AND SINCE THE FORMATION OF THE SOCIETY.

HON. SAMUEL CREELMAN, JAMES C. COGSWELL, Esq., H. B. WEESTER, Esq.

SOCIETY'S DEPOSITORY,-48 Barrington Street, opposite St. Paul's Church, Halifax, N. S.

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# NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY,

Held in Temperance Hall, Halifax, Oct. 24th 1859.

THE PRESIDENT, REV. DR. TWINING, IN THE CHAIR.

THE Meeting was opened with singing, and prayer by the Rev. P. G. McGREGOR. Opening address by the PRESIDENT.

The Report of the Committee having been read by the SECRETARY, it was, on the motion of Rev. G. W. HILL, A. M., seconded by A. MCKINLAY, Esq.,

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,—That the Report now read be adopted, and that it be printed and circulated under the direction of the Committee.

On motion of Rev. JOHN BREWSTER, seconded by Rev. GEORGE BOYD,

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,—That this Meeting, in expressing its thanks to Almighty God for the success vouchsafed to the Parent Society during the past year, desires to view the finger of His Divine Providence in the events which have recently transpired in the East and elsewhere, as presenting additional openings for the increased circulation of the Holy Scriptures.

On motion of Rev. W. H. HUMPHREY, seconded by Mr. ISAAC SMITH,

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,—That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the various Branch Societies and Ladies' Associations, for the efficient aid which they have afforded to this Auxiliary during the past year; and that they be requested to continue their valuable services in the promotion of so good a cause.

On motion of Rev. THOMAS JARDINE, seconded by

RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY,—That the following gentlemen be the Office-bearers of this Society for the ensuing year, viz :—

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President, Rev. J. T. Twining, D. D.; Vice-Presidents, Hon. J. W. Johnson, Martin G. Black, Esq., Jas. W. Nutting, Esq., Wm. Pryor, Esq.; Treasurer, Martin, G. Black, Esq.; Secretary, S. L. Shannon, Esq.; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Isaac Smith.

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Committee,—Rev. John Scott, Rev. R. F. Uniacke, Rev. John Martin, Rev. James C. Cochran, Rev. Charles Churchill, Rev. John Hunter, Rev. Thomas Crisp, Rev. George W. Hill, Rev. John Brewster, Rev. W. H. Humphrey, Rev. Thomas Jardine, Rev. Geo. Boyd, Rev. S. W. Sprague, Hon. M. B. Aimon, Hon. Hugh Bell, Hon. W. A. Black, John H. Anderson, Esq., Dr. Avery, Andrew McKinlav, Esq., Henry Pryor, Esq., Stephen Selden, Esq., T. A. Brown, Esq., J. G. A. Creighton, Esq., Charles Robson, Esq., Jeter Lynch, Esq., J. W. Ritchie, Esq., P. C. Hill, Esq., J. C. Cogswell, Esq., Nepean Clarke, Esq., George H. Starr, Esq., Robt. Miller, Esq., D. McEwen, Esq., Col. Nelson, Capt. W. Smith.

The Meeting was closed by the PRESIDENT with the Doxology and the Apostolic Benediction.

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## REPORT.

THE Committee of the Nova Scotia Bible Society have once more the pleasure of meeting their friends and patrons at another anniversary of their Institution. In coming before them they have the satisfaction to inform them that, great as had been the previous progress of the Parent Society and its various branches, on no former occasion were its prospects so bright or its success so remarkable as at present. They have also to state that in this success the various "branches of our auxiliary take the warmest interest; they follow the operations of the Society with increased attention, and hail its results with the greatest satisfaction. Ascribing all the praise and glory to Him who ruleth in the armies of heaven and among the children of men, they feel honored in being able to bear some humble share in this noble work, in which the finger of Providence is so plainly visible.

The Report of the Parent Society for the present year, which has just been received, is filled with details of the most interesting character, in connection with their operations. To this your Committee would now refer briefly before directing attention specially to the proceedings of our own auxiliary.

They begin as usual with FRANCE. This country, they say, is entitled to a prominent position, not simply on the ground of geographical proximity, the length of time the Society's operations have been carried on, or the large number of copies of Scripture, now reaching a grand total of four millions and a half, put into circulation, but in consequence of the beautiful moral fruits which have grown up in connection with the dissemination of God's word. The year now closed has not been without its difficulties. Manifestations of hostility have been encountered, and the line of action taken by some of the subordinate authorities appeared at one time to threaten the extinction of that system of colportage, by means of which the Scriptures are chiefly circu-The Committee had reason to be thankful that the lated. French Government disclaimed all desire to interfere with the right of the people to purchase and read the Scriptures, and that this declaration of its sentiment elicited a sympathetic response from the most enlightened portion of the French press. The work of the Society has therefore proceeded with undiminished vigor and success.

The Colporteurs continue to render the most effective service, under the direction of the Agent, M. de Pressensé. The Parent Committee rejoice that they have such a band of laborers, men entitled to all confidence and affection, who with great zeal and self denial encounter trials and sacrifices, which sufficiently attest that no mercenary or worldly motive can actuate them. One facility attending the work in France is the thoroughly exemplary spirit and demeanor of those humble agents; they are men who have given every reasonable evidence of personal religion, and, having experienced the transforming power of Divine truth, are impressed with the obligation of aiding its diffusion. In their intercourse with others they shun all discussion on political questions; they never seek to fan the flame of discontent; they are known as the men of "The Book," and are respected as the friends of social order. Hence they are rarely interfered with by the authorities in the prosecution of their peaceful A few incidents connected with their labors may mission. here be given :---

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very painful circumstances. On entering an isolated dwelling, he found a father and mother in a state of deep sorrow standing by a cradle, in which lay an only and beloved child, who had but just expired. The mother was the very picture of dispair; and the father, a peasant in the full strength of manhood, looked upon the sad scene with a sorrowful countenance. At such a moment it was not for a Christian to be silent. Our friend, therefore, went up to the couple, and, in compassionate terms, expressed his deep sympathy with them. At first they listened to him with astonishment, and then with interest. However, when his words began to give expression to religious sentiments, both the man and his wife became impatient, and bitterly exclaimed against the injustice of God. The Colporteur gently stopped them, and, turning to the Bible, he read to them various portions in every way so suited to their circumstances, and so consolatory to hearts afflicted as theirs were, that they were not long before they ceased uttering their unbelieving complaints. In fact, as a result of reading these passages, of offering up an earnest and ardent prayer, and more especially through the goodness and mercy of God, this afflicted couple fully and unreservedly accepted the consolations which descended upon them from above; and it was with evident tokens of sincere joy that they provided themselves with a copy of the Scriptures ' for,' said they, 'it was through them that God, and not man, spoke to our souls.' 'Never, writes the Colporteur, 'did I'dispose of a Bible with so full a conviction, that it will be the means of producing fruits of conversion and sanctification.'

"One of our friends describes the success he met with in a mansion, where, from the basement, in which the kitchens are situated, to the first floor, the residence of the owners, and up to the garrets, where are the sleeping apartments of the servants, he had succeeded in selling the scriptures under the most favorable circumstances. One day, lately, while the same friend was leaving one of the houses referred to, where he had been well entertained, he perceived, close to the gate, a very infirm old man, who was seated on the edge of a ditch, and who, on seeing our Colporteur approach, got up as quickly as he could, exclaiming, 'It is you I have been waiting for; I hope I am not too late, and that they have not quite emptied your wallet.' 'What do you mean?' 'Don't you know? Why I'm speaking about the Bible; of what else should I speak when speaking with you?' 'What then ?' 'Well then I knew you were in the house with your wallet, which I saw was quite full when you passed our house, and I at once seized my crutches and hurried hither, determined not to let you go away this time without getting a large Bible, 'Ah ! I see you are acquainted with this precious book.' 'To be sure I am ; why I never let it go away from me, not even for a moment; it is the companion which comforts me in the midst of my troubles.' On this he drew from under his blowse a copy of the Gospels and Acts, so much worn by constant handling, that a good part was already in 'But my good man,' continued the Colporteur, in tatters. order to put him to the test, 'the Bible which you seem desirous of buying costs six times as much as the book which you show me there, and you are too poor to spend so much money.' 'I will show you that I know what I am about ; I know the price of the Bible well enough; the large copy, with the large type, which my poor eyes will be able, no doubt, to decipher costs a little dollar-(the old coinage, the designations of which are still retained by the country people, this little dollar being equal to three francs); and see here, -judge for yourself whether or not I can afford to gratify this whim of mine.' On this he produced a five-franc piece, carefully wrapped up in five or six scraps of paper, these being again wrapped in as many pieces of cloth. 'This piece of money is the result of all the savings I was ever able to effect, and my idea is, that by purchasing a Bible of you I shall be putting my money out at good interest.' "

The positive and widely extended religious convictions which have been gradually spreading in France give hopes that the awful indifference to spiritual truth, once almost universal in the country, has received at least some effectual check; and the various discussions, now so common on religious worship and religious liberty, denote a state of mind not indisposed to examine religious ideas and sentiments. On the whole it is the deliberate opinion of M. de Pressensé that the moral soil of France is in an infinitely better condition to receive the good seed of Divine Truth than at any former period of his agency; and that in due time it will well repay, in a that may b

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In BELGIUM the prospects of the Society are very encouraging. The Committee state with much satisfaction that after a period of gradual declension in the issues from the Brussels Depôt, for the last few years there has been an increased demand, for the Scriptures; and as the result of this reaction, the circulation of the year just closed has risen to 10,494 copies.

The Committee have deemed it in every way desirable to sanction the continuance of Bible Meetings in Belgium, convened for the express pupose of advocating the labors of the Society. These assemblies afford the opportunity of showing how intimately the work of the Society has been identified with the movements in favor of evangelical religion. Great interest is excited in the localities where they are held, and eager crowds, Papists as well as Protestants, gather together to listen to addresses which expatiate on the right and duty of every man to read the Bible, and the invaluable results which must flow from the operations of a Society which seeks the universal dissemination of Divine Truth.

The work is proceeding favorably in HOLLAND, which, with its mixed population, cannot dispense with the action of the Society. In this country, as well as in France and Belgium, Colporteurs are employed whose services are of the most efficient character.

GERMANY, say the Parent Committee, has assumed an importance in the operations of the Society with which no other country can compare. It is a mighty population on which to act. There is very much territory, at present, but superficially touched by any agency for the circulation of the Scriptures, and dread foes to Divine Truth seek to hold that territory under the sway of pestilential heresy and sceptical philosophy. This Society has a blessed and honored mission in Germany.

The correspondence of Mr. Davies, one of the agents employed in this country, has supplied a mass of facts in connection with the labors of the Colporteurs, showing with how much avidity the poor surren ler their last mite, forego their food, and submit cheerfully to keenest privations, to buy the Scriptures,—with what joy sometimes the rich, and even nobles, hail the benevolent mission of the Society,—and how the offer of the Bible to those long pining for its precious truths, gives peace to the mourner and the dying.

The work in DENMARK is advancing; and in SWEDEN and NORWAY it is specially interesting, owing to the religious awakening which has been going on in these countries.

Of RUSSIA little can be said, as the operations of the Society are still confined almost exclusively to that part of the Russian population which lies beyond the pale of the Greek Church. The spiritual censorship still imposes its veto on the circulation of the Holy Scriptures in Modern Russ. It is to be hoped, however, that under the enlightened rule of the Emperor Alexander II. the indifference of the clergy to that vital necessity of a professedly Christian people, the possession of the Bible in a language perfectly intelligible to them, will ere long become impossible, and that the rapidly advancing intelligence of the laity will render the supply of this great and crying want imperative.

In SPAIN and PORTUGAL little is done by the Society although it is evident that the people are willing and even anxious to receive the Bible, were they permitted by the ecclesiastical power to do so.

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In ITALY the operations of the Society continue as narrow and circumscribed as in former years. Tuscany is jealously guarded by the Roman hierarchy;—in the States of the Church no effort for the circulation of the Scriptures is tolerated,—and the Neapolitan dominions are equally inaccessible to the distribution of the Bible. Sardinia is the only bright spot in the whole Italian peninsula, so far as the circulation of the Word of God is concerned; and even there the work is only tolerated, not recognized in the broad sense that every man has a right to the Scriptures, and that no human government can justly refuse its subjects the privilege of possessing and reading the Scriptures, and following out their honest convictions of truth.

The Parent Committee in closing their remarks upon Italy state that it is not for them to express either predictions or hopes in relation to its political future. They have always considered it a solemn duty to stand prepared for enlarged openings in that country, and present circumstances do not render it less important than formerly, that the same readiness for action should be observed. Whenever Italy shall proelaim freedom of religious thought, and freedom of religious worship, they feel assured that a cheap and open Bible will be found, under the Divine blessing, the most potent means of consolidating Government, and promoting social elevation and national happiness.

Little can be said respecting GREECE. The Scriptures are still freely admitted into the Government Schools, and thus one great point of importance has been gained. The circulation thus effected is entirely gratuitous, but its special character justifies, in the opinion of the Committee, the sacrifice that is made. It would ill become the Society to relinquish almost the only mode by which its operations can be made

available for the people of benighted Greece.

The Parent Committee state that they attach immense importance to TURKEY as a sphere of labor, and they are desirous that the action of the Society should be vigorous and expansive, embracing not merely the Mahometan population, but those remote and extensive provinces of the empire, where corrupt Churches have long diffused the baneful influence of error and superstition, but over which the light of heavenly truth is shining with increasing lustre, and where the progress of Christianity is marked by features of the The vast extent of the Turkish most encouraging character. dominions ;--- its enormous population, comprising in its European portion not fewer than sixteen million souls, and in its Asiatic territory an equal number ;---its variety of races, the appaling ignorance, the wretched fanaticism, the social degradation and misery that prevail, -all these circumstances combine to present on behalf of Turkey an appeal for sympathy and help, the urgency and importance of which it is impossible for the friends of the Bible to over-estimate ; convinced, as they must be, that the one great want of Turkey is the Bible-the truth which that Bible unfolds, and which the Holy Spirit graciously sanctifies to the saving of the soul.

It is cheering to observe that the work is making progress among the Mahometan Turks. Mr. Barker, the agent, states that during the year 710 copies of the Turkish Scriptures were sold, not including St. Matthew's Gospel, many of which found ready purchasers. The actual purchase of the Scriptures by the Turks was never, it is presumed, so large, for all gratuitous distribution is terminated, and every copy is bought, implying that the books are coveted to be read and pondered. Many incidents have occurred to show the desire evinced by The follow

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"I cannot refrain from communicating a fact relative to the distribution of the Turkish Scriptures, which I think will interest you, as showing that there exists a spirit of enquiry, even among Turkish women. This fact was related by an American Missionary at our last monthly Bible meeting :---

"A Turkish woman stopped a Colporteur, and asked him if his books spoke of Jesus; in answer to which he put into her hands a Turkish New Testament, and said, 'This does.' As she could not read, and doubting, perhaps, his veracity, she took the book across the street to a shop, the proprietor of which knew how to read. The Turk immediately said to her, 'What do you want with such a book; it is the book of the Christians?' 'Never mind,' replied she, 'about that; does it treat of Jesus?' 'Yes,' responded he; 'but it is of no use to you, as you cannot read.' To this she answered, 'True, but I have persons at home who can read, and will read it to me.' After this she took the New Testament, paid for it, and went her way.

"Some time ago I mentioned to you a Subaltern in the Turkish army, who was imprisoned for refusing to do duty on Sunday, because, as he fearlessly said to his Colonel, he had become a Christian. This individual, when released from prison, fled to Malta and is doing very well there. Mr. Williams related to me the following interesting particulars respecting this young man and his conversion to Christianity. When at the Turkish Military School, he obtained a New Testament, and during play-hours, when the other boys were diverting themselves, he kept apart from them, and under a tree read his book. When so occupied, he invariably observed that another student was similarly employed; this excited his curiosity, and hoping that he was also reading a New Testament, accosted him one day, begging to be informed what the book was that so interested him, as to induce him to forbear mixing in the sports of the other young men. He returned no answer, but asked in return; 'And pray, what book are you reading, for I have been watching you

"The young Subaltern immediately showed him his New Iestament, on which the other young man drew from his bosom a book, which proved to be also a New Testament; this made them intimate, and henceforward they read the Scriptures together. The Subaltern, as I said before, fled to Malta, and the other is still here; and though he has made as yet no public profession of Christianity, he is a Christian at heart, attends the Turkish Protestant Service, and Mr. Williams speaks very highly of him. I further learnt that the father of the Subaltern was an Englishman, who turned Turk and married a Turkish woman. He is now dead.

"How inscrutable are the ways of Providence! a father turns Turk, and his son becomes a Christian: and what a sure and positive evidence we have in the case of these young men, that the simple word of God, unaided by human instrumentality, is fully able to convert souls to Christ!"

After the unavailing efforts and fruitless toil of many long years to induce the Mussulman to accept and read the Scriptures, that object is now, at least in part, attained; and when the Scriptures are perused with an inquiring and docile spirit, what darkness will they not dissipate, and what seeds of precious faith will they not implant in the human heart! The poor fanatical Moslem bending in pensive attention over the inspired volume is a spectacle which may well make glad the heart of every believer in Divine revelation. Could access be gained to the secret chambers of the imperial palace at Constantinople there might possibly be seen the head of the Mohametan imposture turning thoughtfully over the pages of a large and handsomely-bound volume. Conjecture suggests that this is the Bible sometime since presented by the Committee in the name of the British and Foreign Bible Society to the Sultan. In the hope that such is the fact let there go up the prayer that he may discover wondrous things out of God's law.

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st the Armenian and demonstrate when no livin g, become, unde the illuminating grace of the Divine Spirit, effectual to disenthral the mind from the captivity of error. Many extracts might be given from the correspondence of the Parent Society in reference to this subject, but this brief report can do nothing more than refer to them.

One of the most engrossing topics during the last two years has been INDIA; a country for which so much has been done, and in which there appeared so fair a prospect. the Lord has permitted the scourge of war to prevail, and But the dismal tidings of revolt, outrage, and massacre, filled England with mourning and lamentation. Now, however, the afflicting hand has been withdrawn, and the whirlwind of rebellion which swept over India's fairest provinces has expended itself, and left British power and British influence still in the ascendant. The enemy that marshalled its mighty legions and waged a war of extermination has disappeared, and tranquility now prevails where but a short time since the uproar of mutiny, and the wild tumult of brutal passion perpetrated their most terrible excesses. To what is this to be ascribed ? Not to the sagacity of human counsels, nor the intrepidity of heroic leaders, nor the invincible prowess of England's army, but to the gracious help and blessing of that God whose aid England invoked, and whose hand can smite to the dust the loftiest fabric of human ambition, and crown with success the feeblest and most insignificant instrumentalities.

India now occupies a nearer and more direct relation to the British throne than before. It has become an integral part of the Empire, and is numbered amongst the dominions of our beloved Queen. But does not this fact carry with it an enlarged responsibility, both in reference to the nation and the Church of Christ? The righteous demand of the nation will be that henceforth India shall be governed on Christian principles,—that the policy which would discourage and The Parent Committee, while deeply regreting that the disasters of the last two years have so seriously interfered with and crippled the action of the Society in India, would now anticipate a wider field and more successful range of operation than before. With this view a Special Fund has been opened by the Committee on behalf of India, partly with the design of covering actual losses, and also to provide means for meeting enlarged demands, which may be reasonably expected from the several auxiliaries. Liberal contributions have been made to this fund, and the total amount subscribed to the end of last March was  $\pounds 6,218$  18s. 7d.

We turn now to CHINA, which country has also been the subject of anxious hope and expectation for some time. Long has the Church of Christ waited and prayed for the opening of this stupendous country, in its length and breadth, to the introduction of the Gospel. The eventful period seems now to have arrived, and although an untoward event has recently occurred which may delay for a short time the very confident expectations of the religious public, yet we cannot but feel assured that the delay will be but temporary, and that the terms of the treaty recently concluded by Lord Elgin will be carried out in all their particulars, including a ready access of the Bible and of Missionaries to the mass of the people.

The Parent Committee contemplate the present state of China with the deepest interest, and anxiously await the time when they will be able to employ the resources they already hold in trust for the benefit of that immense Empire. They have endeavored to carry out the scheme introduced by the liberality of Christian friends for the dissemination of the Chinese Testament, and have been successful to a certain extent. But all the efforts they have been able to make fall below the years ago tion in ( and they receive for tural trut merchand

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Passing over several of the ordinary, but still deeply interesting portions of the Society's field of labor, we would direct attention to the recent extraordinary openings in Sourn AMERICA, a country heretofore closed to their operations. Judicious agents have been employed, both in the Northern and Western Republics and in the Empire of Brazil, and the success vouchsafed to them has been most surprising and gratifying. "The Book" has been carried into these countries, and has been received with joyous welcome by multitudes, who have waited anxiously for the Scriptures, but knew not whence or how the supply was to reach them. The correspondence of these agents has been most interesting, and interesting extracts are given below :—

"I have to add," writes one of these gentlemen, "that in the weeks closing and opening the year, my sales surpassed all our previous returns; and I have now the great happiness of telling you that, during the past four months we have sold, (for the most part to single purchasers) 6,000 copies, making a total of 8,000 books sold in Peru alone, during the past year. This is wonderful; and now that I am a little removed from the scene of our labors, with the blessed sea breeze strengthening and refreshing me, I am better able to realize the success which has been vouchsafed to the Society in this, the latest country embraced by our wide stretching arms. It may seem to some, only the fond words of a heart overjoyed to say, that the reception given to the Bible in lima indicates, beyond a doubt, the true and earnest spirit of the Bereans of old, who searched the Scriptures for themelves. Almost every Bible agent, in all parts of the world,

has bad to use that piece of holy history to illustrate the results of his labers; and thankful indeed am I to the Father of all mercies, that the illustration stands good for Lima, as it has for France, India, Ireland. New Zealand and other islands of the Pacific Sea. Without my seeking for them, evidences have been brought to me of families receiving the Word, and valuing it, and that in the face of priestly denunciations and the jeers of personal friends,—families unknown to me, but well known to my informants. Others I do know of, who, being by their confessors forbidden to read our accursed books, have procured them, and read them to the confusion of those who sought to prohibit them. Indeed, to such an extent has the Bible gained its own influence, that it would be absurd for any power, priestly or other, to attempt to prevent its unfettered circulation."

We now turn to the home operations of the Society. The state of the funds is most encouraging—the amount of income for the year being £160,062 12s. 4d. This sum is in advance of the receipts of the previous year by £7,448 15s. 10d., and £21,313 2s. 1d. in advance of the receipts of 1856-7.

The issues of the Society during the year amount to the marvellous total of One million six hundred and twenty-five thousand, nine hundred and eighty-five copies; being an increase over the circulation of the previous year of Twentythree thousand, seven hundred and ninety-eight copies. The total issues of the Society to the present time have now reached Thirty-five millions. six hundred and nine thousand, nine hundred and thirty-one copies.

We now come back to our own Auxiliary. During the year ending on the 31st day of December last, to which period the annual account of the Treasurer is made up, but little occurred beyond the ordinary routine operations. The several Branches continued to make their usual remittances, and the circulation of the Scriptures has been about the ordinary average. But the want of an agent to visit the different Branches absent d The Com Province and no w that it rec their frien

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In the month of April last Mr. Smith returned to this Province from Prince Edward Island, and at once commenced to carry out the engagement which he had made with the Committee for the ensuing six months. The engagement has just been completed, and during that time he has visited nearly all the Branches in the Western part of the Province, and several of the most important ones to the Eastward of the Metropolis. During these tours he has everywhere brought to the notice of our friends the special effort which has been made by the Parent Society on behalf of India, and the Committee have much pleasure in stating that this appeal has been most generously responded to.

Among the occurrences of the year connected with our Auxiliary, the Committee would mention the death of the Hon. Charles R. Prescott, an old and tried friend of the institution, whose name has for many years occupied a conspicuous place among our life members.

The Committee would also mention that a very interesting correspondence has taken place with the Parent Society in reference to the translation of the Book of Psalms into Micmac by the Rev. S. T. Rand, which is very complimentary to that zealous and able Missicnary to the Indians. In the last Report the Parent Committee mention that they have ordered the printing of this translation.

The Committee would now refer to their finances during the past year. The Treasurer's account has been submitted, of which the following is an abstract :

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The balance in hand at the end of the year 1858 was Since the commencement of the present year £63 9s. 3d. there has been received from the Branch Societies the sum of £246 6s. 5d; which amount with the balance in hand above referred to has enabled your Committee to make a free contribution to the Parent Society of the sum of £100, sterling.

While spending funds of our Auxiliary, your Committee would not omit their grateful acknowledgements which are due to the St. Matthew's Church and Halifax Ladies' Bible Associations, and to the several Branches and Ladies' Associations throughout the Province, for their very efficient aid during the past year; and they trust that their valuable services will be continued as heretofore, and that their increasing contributions will only testify their increasing love and zeal for the cause of the Bible.

The receipts and distribution of the Auxiliary during the year 1858 were as follows :

Received from the Parent Society on purchase account, 2114 Bibles, and 1364 Testaments.

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The Committee in closing their report would again call upon their friends to continue their aid to this good cause. In this day of strife and perplexity no better boon can be given to the nations than God's own Word—the only effective agent to remedy their moral diseases. Let us aid in the great contest which is going on against sin and ignorance and superstition, and in which the British and Foreign Bible Society occupies the front rank. "The weapons of our warfare are not carnal;"—we use none other than that which is "mighty to the pulling down of the strong holds of sin and Satan," and which, in the history of the noble Society of which we form a part, has ever been attended with the most signal success. Let us rally round this great institution, and thus exhibit our determination to exert ourselves to the utmost for the extension of our Redeemer's kingdom.

## EXTRACTS FROM CORRESPONDENCE.

#### FROM MR. ISAAC SMITH.

## To the Committee of the Nova Scotia Bible Society-

GENTLEMEN,—The period of my engagement for this season, as Travelling Agent for your Society, having been completed, I submit the following as a report of my proceedings and their results during that time.

I arrived in the Province to commence my work on the 25th of April, which I continued until the time I left to return home, on the 13th of November. Though the early part of the season was very unfavorable for Public Meetings, I attended about forty in all, which were held for the promotion of my object—and many of them were largely attended. In most places I visited the people at their homes in order to revive the operation of the Branches more effectually; and to gather up contributions, in which I succeeded better than I might have expected, an unusual scarcity of money being everywhere reiterated.

In my first tour, from the 1st to the 29th of May, I visited Windsor, Newport, Avondale, Kennetcook, Kempt, Walton, Rawdon, and Maitland. In Windsor I received from the Treasurer, Harry King, Esq.,  $\pounds 12$  10s. 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d., which had been collected after my former visit, and  $\pounds 1$  17s. 7 d., from the present Depository, P. Allison, Esq., and  $\pounds 1$  from the former Depository, John Scott, Esq., for books sold: the two smaller sums on purchase account, and the first as a free contribution to return of the B At No were app ed to rev meeting, At Av

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At Newport a Committee meeting was held, and collectors were appointed. At the request of the Office-bearers, I promised to revisit them later in the season, to aid in their general meeting, and take up the contributions.

At Avondale the public meeting was well attended, and a lively interest was taken in the object. Means were adopted for reviving the Society, and  $\pounds 2$  1s. 3d. was handed to me by the Treasurer, J. W. Allison, jr., Esq.

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The Branch Society at Walton had not been so prosperous for some time past as at first, a public meeting was called, but the attendance was small. Means were adopted for reviving the operations of the Society, and for gathering up and remitting the subscriptions before the end of the year.  $\pounds 3$  7s. 8d. were handed to me by the Treasurer, C. F. Allison, Esq., as a free contribution.

At Kempt and Kennetcook I conferred with the officebearers on the necessity of more effective and united effort to give vigor and permanency to the operations of the Society. A public meeting at the latter place, as previously announced, was held; but the attendance was small. All present, however, took a lively interest in the proceedings. £3 5s. was handed over to me (5s. of which was laid down by a subscriber at the meeting) as a free contribution, by the Treasurer, Capt. Marsters. The other subscriptions were promised to be collected later in the season.

Since my former visits to Rawdon, two of the principal office-bearers of the Society had been removed by death, and it was deemed impracticable, at this unfavorable time, to collect the people together to elect others in their stead, and to reorganize and revive the operations of this formerly interesting Branch.

At Maitland a very good meeting was held. Subscriptions

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were promised to the amount of £8 8s. 9d.—£6 11s. 3d. for the special fund for India, and £1 17s. 6d. for ordinary purposes—to be paid and remitted to Halifax before the end of the year.

From Maitland I returned to the city, and gave to the subcommittee a brief outline of my tour, and handed to the Treasurer an account of the monies received, part of which had been remitted before, amounting to  $\pounds 24$  1s. 8d.

On the 3rd of June I commenced another tour to the Western section of the Province; visiting in my progress the following places in succession, viz: Hantsport, Lower Horton, Canning and other parts of Eastern Cornwallis, Scotch Bay, Kentville, Berwick, and Western Cornwallis, Aylesford, Wilmot, Nictaux, Canaan Mountain, Lawrencetown, Bridgetown, Granville, Annapolis, Clements, Hillsburg, Digby, Weymouth, Yarmouth, Milton, Barrington, Shelburne, Liverpool, Mills Village, Petite Riviere, Bridgewater, Lunenburg, and Chester; in all of which I did as much as practicable in the time for advancing the operations of the several Branches and promoting the great object contemplated.

At Hantsport I conducted a meeting, which had been previously intimated, and gave notice of my intention of visiting the people generally. The day was very stormy, which made the attendance comparatively small. I obtained £2 6s. 11d., and promise of £2 6s. 3d. more, to be collected and remitted afterwards. Many persons were from home and the time was unfavorable. If a judicious effort be made under more favorable circumstances considerably more will be collected.

At Horton I visited the Office-bearers, who had given notice for a meeting. It was a very busy time, and the attendance consequently small. It was arranged that the Committee should meet and appoint collectors, and a general meeting be held in the autumn, which I engaged to attend, if practicable. I nex been app fore, inc and in for the additional efficiency I gathere al subser

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On visiting the Office-bearers at Kentville I found that a general meeting of the Society had been held in January, and funds remitted to the Treasurer of the Auxiliary. Another meeting had also been appointed to take place on the 13th of September, which I promised to attend if I could be in the neighborhood so soon. This, however, I found to be impracticable. The meeting was held at the time, and it is hoped beneficial results will follow.

The Society of Berwick and Western Cornwallis, as I found on my arrival there, had appointed quarterly meetings for the furtherance of its objects, and the resident ministers had engaged to preach in turn a sermon adapted to the occasion at each of them. This arrangement cannot fail to be productive of good. I visited many of the Office-bearers and principal members, and gave all the encouragement in my power to their laudable endeavors.

At Aylesford a general meeting was convened, which was well attended, and by the help of several of the principal residents was made very interesting. The President being about to leave the place, and the Secretary also having already removed, the Society was reorganized. The following are the Office-bearers as now elected, viz : Nathan Tupper, Esq., President; Edmund Palmer, Esq., Treasurer; Thomas Harris, Esq., Secretary; Abraham VanBuskirk, Esq., was also elected as Vice-President, and several young ladies were appointed collectors. Other meetings held in different localities and visitations among the people afforded me good opportunities for presenting the claims of the Society, and for inviting the co-operation of all who felt interested in the universal diffusion of the Scriptures.

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I visited many families at Wilmot, Nictaux Falls, and Canaan Mountain, but found it difficult to do much for our object—not so much for want of sympathy for the destitute as the absence from home of Office-bearers of the Branch Society and influential residents, whose help I had confidently expected. The suspension of business also at the works at Nictaux Falls, had occasioned depression throughout the neighborhood, which seemed discouraging for the time. I obtained a list of subscriptions amounting to £12 17s. 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d, only thirty shillings of which was paid. Several young ladies engaged to collect the remainder later in the season—which I suppose would be easily obtained. I received from the Treasurer, Charles Barteux, Esq., who returned home before I left the place, £1 2s., for books sold.

At Lawrencetown and Lower Nietaux I collected £2 0s. 1<sub>1</sub>d., and obtained promises of contributions to the amount of four pounds more, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Lawrencetown Branch before the end of the year.

At Bridgetown I succeeded better, and collected £7 3s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.—half for the India fund and the remainder for ordinary purposes. Bibles and Testaments are kept constantly on sale at the Depository of this Branch, and it may be hoped its operations will not be allowed to decline.

The Branch at Annapolis and Granville, since its re-organization two or three years ago, has been active, and efficient. Meetings have been held more regularly, and collections taken up for the object. The following sums were paid to me by the Treasurer, A. Henderson, Esq., viz: amount in hand (including subscription of 10s. from Western Hall, Esq.,) £3 5s. 9d. Subscriptions collected by Mrs. James and Mrs. George Runciman £4; do. collected by Mrs. Bonnett £3 13s. 8 £11 1: tion.

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The Clements Branch is small, and but little could be done to revive its operations at this most busy season of the year. Between haymaking and catching and "smoking herrings," little else, for the time, could be attended to. I called upon the office-bearers and principal residents, and presented the increasing claims of the Bible Society, especially at this time, in the strongest light I was able, and not without hope of good. I obtained a list of subscriptions amounting to £3 10s., twenty-one shillings of which was since transmitted to me by the President, Isaac Vroom, Esq., who engaged to gather up and remit all that can be collected before the end of the year.

At Hillsburgh local objects, important to the place, had so engrossed the attention of some of the most influential members of the Branch that little had been done for the Bible Society since my preceding visit. I availed myself of all the means at command for securing a renewal of those efforts which had been so successful in promoting the object heretofore, and, as I trust, not in vain. Our meeting was good, and contributions to the amount of £4 1s. 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. were promised, of which I collected on the following day £2 5s. 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>d. The remainder to be gathered up, and remitted in the course of the season.

The Branch at Digby had lost its worthy Secretary, (Wm. Loudett, Esq., long a tried friend of the Bible Society), and required to be reorganized, but the time was deemed unfavorable for attempting it—this was consequently deferred to the winter season, when a greater number of persons could be convened for such a purpose. I visited the subscribers generally, and collected 4l. 11s.  $7\frac{1}{2}d$ .

The President of the little Society at Weymouth was from home, and I was sorry to find that little had been done for some time past. I tried to get up a meeting but found it would be impracticable within the time I could stay. I visited the friends generally—but several were from home—and gathered up 3l. 4s.  $4\frac{1}{2}d$ .

At Yarmouth I was cheered by a brighter prospect of success. The active office-bearers promptly adopted measures for rendering my visit effective. A public meeting was appointed to be held in the lower and more populous part of the town, and afterwards another in Milton, the upper part. Both these meetings were well attended, and, with the very efficient aid of the office-bearers, and resident Ministers, were At the former a collection was taken highly interesting. up amounting to about  $6l^3$ , and at the latter another amounting to over 1l. 10s. I collected in the town 10l. 8s. 11d., and got subscribed 61. more, which will no doubt be paid before the end of the year. The Treasurer, Robert Guest, Esq., handed over to me above 19%, which he had in his hands before I arrived, making in all, as remitted by me to the Treasurer of the Auxiliary, 37l. 13s. 12d. This Branch is distinguished by its laudable activity, and rewarded by its success in promoting so good a cause.

When I arrived at Barrington I found that the Branch Society had recently made a good remittance to the Auxiliary —but the subscriptions for this year had not been collected. A Public Meeting was called at the "Head," which was numerously attended, and by the excellent help, as in Yarmouth, of the office-bearers and resident ministers, was truly effective and good. I had good opportunities also, in other parts of Barrington, for making known the object of my visit, and gathered up contributions to the amount in all of 101. 11s. 7d.-5l. 11s. 7d. of it for the India fund. The Society in this place, like those of Yarmouth, Liverpool, Annapolis, and several others, is always ready to do good service, in this best of causes.

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annum. Many a Sabbath School in the more remote localities of the county will soon reap the benefit, it is to be hoped, of this kind provision of individual Christian liberality.

At Milton our meeting, held in the Congregational Church, was large and interesting. Good help from office-bearers and Ministers of the Gospel, gave character and influence to the proceedings, as in Liverpool. Here I received from the Treasurer, for books sold, 3*l*., collections at our public meetings, 1*l*. 12s. 1d.; and gathered of subscriptions 6*l*. 17s. 6d.—making a total amount to be remitted to the Auxiliary of 11*l*. 9s. 7d. from this small Branch.

At Mills Village the Society had been languishing for some time. Some of the officer's had been removed, and the others were mostly from home. Other local circumstances also' interfered to prevent our getting up a meeting. I succeeded collecting 21. 14s. 7d.,—except 6s. 3d. promised but not paid,' which was to be given to the Treasurer, who, it was not doubted, would gather up the contributions of those who were absent and remit to the Treasurer of the Auxiliary.

On reaching Petite Riviere I learned that many of the residents were absent fishing. and that the pressing claims of local objects, and depression of business, would interfere to render the convening of a public meeting for my object impracticable. Here I received from the Treasurer of the Branch 2*l*., which he had in hand, and collected from subscribers 1*l*. 10s.—making together 3*l*. 10s.

Though I sent a Telegram, on my arrival at Lunenburg, to Bridgewater, that notice might be given for a meeting there, a heavy storm prevented the announcement being made, and when I arrived other objects interposed to prevent another notice being given. I was obliged, therefore, to content myself with a visitation among the office-bearers and friends, which resulted in my pressing the object upon the attention of the people individually, and gathering up their contribution Treasurer

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On my return to Lunenburg, I attended a meeting in the Court House, which, from some unexplained cause, was much smaller than our meetings for the Bible Society here had usually been. I was accompanied by the President on a visitation among the people, whom we found favorably disposed towards our object. Collected 71. 3s.  $1\frac{1}{2}d$ ., and obtained promises of 12s. 6d. more to be paid to the Treasurer.

At Chester my design of a meeting for re-organizing the Branch Society there, was frustrated. Two other public meetings, previously announced for a benevolent object, unavoidably crowded out the one I intended. I collected subscriptions amounting to 3l. 9s.  $7\frac{1}{2}d$ .—half of which was centributed by the family of our former excellent President, the late George Mitchell, Esq.

From Chester I returned to Halifax, on Saturday, the 22nd of August. On the 24th I handed over to the Treasurer of the Auxiliary a statement of the places I had visited and a balance of the monies received from the several Branch Societies I had visited. On the 2nd of September I was instructed by the sub-Committee of the Auxiliary Society to make another tour by way of Truro, along to Parrsborough, and return by way of Horton and Newport, &c., so as to be in Halifax before the Anniversary Meeting, intended to be held in October.

On this third tour I visited the following places in order, viz: Truro, Onslow, Folly Village, Lower Londonderry, (including Portaupique and Bass River,) Economy, Five Islands, Parrsborough, Horton, Falmouth, Windsor, Avondale, and Upper Newport.

At Truro I received from the Rev. Mr. McCulloch's congregation, towards printing Scriptures in the Aneiteum language, 5*l*. Called upon members of other Churches, and gathered up contributions to the amount of 3*l*. 5*s*. 7<sup>1</sup>*d*. partly for the India Fund—making together 8*l*. 5*s*. 7<sup>1</sup>*d*. received in Truro.

In Onslow the Rev. Mr. Baxter promised to take up a collection in his congregation in aid of the special fund for India, after some pressing claims presented for other objects should have been attended to.

When I arrived at Folly Village I was sorry to find that the President of the Branch Society, the Rev. E. Ross, had gone from home. The other office-bearers advised that as no meeting could be held, without detaining me too long, I should visit the subscribers and receive their contributions. This I did as fully as practicable, and obtained 4l. 0s. 9d., leaving a list of subscriptions amounting to 1l. 16s. 3d. with others, to be collected and remitted afterwards.

On my arrival at Lower Londonderry I was disappointed by the absence from home of the President of this Branch also, the Rev. Mr. Wyllie, and was thrown upon my own individual efforts to make known as best I could my desire of reviving its operations, and gathering up contributions. I succeeded in collecting 5*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*, some of it at Portaupique, and a little at Bass River. Before I left the place the Rev. Mr. Wyllie returned, and desired me to furnish him with a list of contributions I had received, which I sent him since from Portapique. He kindly promised to do what he could in further carrying out the object.

When I reached Economy services were being held in the Presbyterian Church, preparatory to dispensing the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. There being no resident minister the Rev. Mr. McKay, from Parrsborough, conducted these services, and Rev. Mr. Grant assisted. By their kindness ample notice was given on the next day (the Sabbath) of my desire to address the people on behalf of the Bible Society on the day following. Much of the time being occupied on the Monday, the Rev. Mr. McKay introduced the subject, at the conclusio The proc and powe I spoke a Mr. Mck Divine p It was feared wo paration they did, real symp every ma by the R by hearin the Divin course of welfare o ment of a highest w tidings of prepared the people the Rev. rate, that who were as were ] opened m than I cou time I had paid down with but 1 place who butions af total amou never seen on such ar . 5s. 71d.— 8l. 5s. 71d.

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conclusion of his services, and requested the people to remain. The proceedings for my object he opened with much propriety and power, and then called upon me to address the meeting. I spoke at some length, as did the Rev. Mr. Grant, and Rev. Mr. McKay concluded. There was evidently much of the Divine presence resting upon the congregation throughout. It was providential that these religious exercises, which I feared would leave no room for my work, were the best preparation for it I could have desired-bringing together, as they did, a large concourse of people, and preparing them for real sympathy with a kindred object which commends itself to every man's conscience in the sight of God. The last sermon by the Rev. Mr. McKay, on the words, "Now faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God," was alike by the Divine blessing especially adapted to the conclusion of a course of religious services, calculated to promote the highest welfare of the people themselves as it was to the commencement of another service, which was designed to promote the highest welfare of others-by sending them those "glad tidings of great joy," which they themselves were thus prepared to appreciate. I had intimated that I would visit the people at their homes and collect their subscriptions; but the Rev. Mr. McKay suggested, as they were about to separate, that it would save me much time and labor if all present who were disposed would give their names at once, and, such as were prepared, their contributions also. I sat down and opened my book, when their offerings were presented faster than I could note them down without help. In a very short time I had received over 40 names on my list and 51. 6s. 8d. Thus was my work here well accomplished, paid down. with but little labor of my own-for most of the people in the place who would give were present. I obtained five contributions afterwards, amounting to 11s. 3d., which made the total amount from this small Society 51. 17s. 11d. I had never seen greater promptitude, or a better spirit manifested

At Five Islands but little could be done at that season of the year. Could I have remained to have notice for a meeting given on the Sabbath I might have succeeded in reviving a little more the operations of the Branch, but my time would not allow it. I called upon most of the former subscribers, and collected about two pounds, and was promised five shillings more to be paid afterwards.

At Parrsborough I was well assisted by the Officers of the Society, and by the Rev. Mr. McKay especially, and had good opportunities afforded me for making known my object, and should, no doubt, have succeeded well but for heavy rain storms occurring at the time, which greatly lessened the congregations, both on the Sabbath, when my object was announced, and on the week days following. Our meeting, in the Presbyterian Church, on the Monday evening, though good and encouraging under the circumstances, was rendered much smaller by heavy rain all the day than it would have been if the weather had been favorable. I visited as many as I could at their houses, and collected 4*l*. 10*s*., and 13*s*. 9*d*. more was subscribed.

I crossed the Basin of Minas in the Steamer to Windsor, and went by coach to Horton, but could not accomplish my purpose of getting up a public meeting, in order to give, by the Divine blessing, a new impulse to the operations of the Society there; meetings for other objects, previously announced, occupied the ground for the time. I gathered up contributions, however, in Lower Horton and Wolfville, (although I called on many I could not see, who would have contributed,) to the amount of 8l. 3s.  $4\frac{1}{2}d$ .

At Windsor I was not more fortunate as regards a public meeting, though it was as much required. "The Sessions" were being held, and the season of the year was deemed unfavorable to such meetings as that I had contemplated. I collected 101. 14s. 8d. in the town alone; much more might be obtained by visiting the whole neighborhood around also, if a ri friends,

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A meeting was held at Newport on the 10th of October, which was well attended, and, with the efficient help of the Rev. Mr. Hennigar and Rev. Mr. Hill, who advocated the cause with much effect, was made highly interesting, and, by the blessing of God, it may be hoped will be of lasting good to the Society. I received the following sums, viz:

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There was also 21. 11s. 3d. subscribed at the public meeting, to be paid in the course of the autumn.

At Avondale I received from the Treasurer, J. W. Allison, jr., Esq., 41. 6s. 0<sup>1</sup>d., which had been gathered up since the public meeting held in May. Other sums were expected to be paid in. From thence I returned by Windsor to Halifax on the 11th of October.

The whole amount which passed through my hands from the Branch Societies in the country to the Treasurer of the Auxiliary in Halifax, as will be seen by the foregoing statements, was a little over two hundred and forty-five pounds.

In this brief narration of facts it was necessary, in accounting for monies received, to state the particulars more fully than other important matters connected with my work required, or that could be allowed, where so many places had to be referred to in a space unavoidably so limited. But it must not from this be inferred that other and higher objects were overlooked, or merged in the mere collection of funds. In all our public meetings, where I was often favored with the best of help from ministers of the Gospel and others, as well as in my visitations among the people at their homes, the importance of the Scriptures and of the great work of the Parent Society, so evidently originated and directed by an Almighty hand,the Providential openings made for extending its operations, since the celebration of its Jubilee, to nearly one-half of the population of the world heretofore shut out from the light of Truth-and many of the endless variety of topics included in these and other kindred subjects were adverted to as presenting their claims on Christian sympathy in behalf of our object. Nor are we to measure the sympathy thus elicited by the pounds, shillings and pence contributed : the claims of other important objects, and the unwonted depression of business still almost everywhere felt, interposed to limit all pecuniary manifestations of benevolence to this. One thing may be confidently affirmed-that at no former period did the Christians of this Province generally appear to be more deeply interested in the objects of the British and Foreign Bible Society (not the least of which is regarded that of the special fund for India) and other appropriate and efficient means for promoting the highest welfare of mankind, than the presentnor were ever actuated by higher motives in the expression of their sympathy, than now. There are some persons, however, it is to be lamented, in every place, who care not for any of such benevolent objects, nor acknowledge any obligation to support them.

## I remain, gentlemen,

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Most faithfully yours,

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THE RECTORY, KENTVILLE, 26th July, 1858.

SIR,-The interest in the Bible cause in this place, first stimulated to action last year, has not been allowed to languish, although circumstances have caused much delay in forwarding to you the knowledge of its result. A public meeting was held in January last, which was fairly attended, and at which a good collection was taken. The whole sum obtained by subscription you will perceive to be more than double what was forwarded last year. I send a copy of our Subscription list, although I am led to doubt the use of so doing by the fact that the list forwarded last year does not appear in your Report. Of the whole amount which our Treasurer will forward we have appropriated 5l. as a free contribution and 71. 7s. 11d. on purchase account-12l. 7s. 11d.

Mr. Lydiard will specify the particular kind and number of books that are required in addition to the few now remaining in his hands, which were sometime since placed with him on a private arrangement, but which we desire to be transferred to this Committee, and of course the cost of them must be taken out of the sum now sent on purchase account. We have to regret the loss of our respected President-Hon. J. MORTON, --- who had long been an active and earnest friend of the Bible Society.

I am, Sir,

## Yours faithfully in the work, HARRY LEIGH YEWENS. To S. L. Shannon, Esq., Secretary N. S. B. S.

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## GUYSBOROUGH, Oct. 27th, 1858.

To M. G. Black, Esq., Treasurer,-

DEAR SIR,-Through the kind watchful care of my Heavenly Father, the God of the Bible, I am spared once more to address you on the subject of its interests; and truly feel the Lord's mercies are very great, and of long continuance to his unworthy handmaid. I have also on behalf of our Association to acknowledge and express thanks to you for your many attentions to us during the year, in forwarding Reports of the British and Foreign Bible Society, with various monthly Reports, containing information and detail of deepest interest, calculated to move anything (less obdurate) than a heart of stone ; but such is the unregenerate heart, "it does not feel for man," and nothing less powerful than Divine Grace can give it a right direction. We have hastened to circulate every information afforded us, and feel it an honor to have anything to do, any portion of duty assigned us, in so great, so triumphant, a cause as that of the Bible Society. It must rise superior (eventually) to every opponent, be cause The Book "has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter." Every lover, therefore, of the Word of God will feel it a de-

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light to give or do in some way something to promote its distribution, if possible, to earth's remotest bounds. But those who have not "tasted that the Lord is gracious," neither have taken " his testimonies as an heritage forever," these, doubtless, feel it almost an intrusion to make application to them, and as if they made great sacrifice to do anything in this blessed work, or as if they robbed themselves ! Yet, as Bible agents we would humbly and kindly express our views on the subject dissimilar to them, and that the light of eternity may discover robbing on the other side of the question,--- "Will a man rob God ?" is a scripture interrogatory-Malachi, iii. 8. God's work (externally) in the world demands means; his intelligent redeemed creatures—stewards of his bounty-are surely under the most sacred obligations, when applied to in the order of His Providence, to render unto the Lord a portion of that with which He hath intrusted them. And for every sacrifice of personal comfort or convenience (really made) in order "to do good " to others " and communicate," there is the assurance, on Scripture truth, "with such sacrifices God is well pleased ;" and the Divine blessing will more than compensate : for we believe the written Word-"God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love which ye have shewed towards his Name." Thus, dear sir, we would continue to speak to all within our humble sphere of influence. As regards our small remittance, only amounting to fourteen pounds, the general depression of trade and all mercantile concerns this year has, doubtless, had its influence on our association; our hearts (many of us) would have devised more "liberal things," yet our consolation is "If there be first a willing mind it is according to that a man hath "-2 Cor. viii. 12.

I have the honor to subscribe myself,

Very respectfully,

C. A. NEWTON, Secty. & Collector.

## GUYSBOROUGH, Nov. 25th, 1859.

## To M. G. Black, Esquire-

DEAR SIR,-We regret that this letter could not have reached you earlier after date, but so desirous are we to get every fraction that can be collected for the important object that it has occasioned delay. Our Ladies' Association have to thank you for your attention to our interests in forwarding Reports of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and other communications relative to the great work of diffusing the Sacred Scriptures. There can be no doubt that "the God of heaven, in whose hands our breath is, and whose are all our ways," would have us glorify Him at this eventful era, by increased zeal, and love, and steadfastness, in the circulation of that Book

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.....By inspiration given ; Bright as a lamp its doctrines shine, To guide our souls to heaven."

No marvel that the powers of darkness should be arrayed against it ; but the star in the East still points to Bethlehem, and the light of life in its rays are being scattered far and wide, and will cast their reflection, until " all the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the Lord, and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before Thee "-Psalm xxii. 27. The signs of the times are opening on our view, and the latter day glory hastening on apace ! But I must stay my feeble pen on this absorbing subject; as our last communication was lengthy, and you have done us the kindness to say it shall appear in your next Report, we are increasingly confirmed in the sentiments and views there expressed. We have to thank your Depository-Miss Wells -for forwarding a box of Bibles and Testaments, which came in due season. We wished to have had every one sold ere we made our little remittance-181. 12s. 6d.; but we hope ere long to pay off our debt at your Depository.

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I subscribe myself, Dear Sir,

Respectfully with esteem,

C. A. NEWTON.

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