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**1832.**

**WITH AN APPENDIX.**

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**THE Twelfth Anniversary Meeting of the MONTREAL AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY, was held in the BAPTIST Chapel, on Wednesday Evening, the 10th of October, 1832 ; Captain ANDERSON, R. A. in the Chair. After the Report had been read, the following resolutions were unanimously passed :—**

*Moved by the Rev. Mr. Hopwood, seconded by H. Gates, Esq.*

I. That the Report now read be adopted, printed, and distributed under the direction of the Committee.

*Moved by the Rev. Mr. Perkins, seconded by J. T. Barrett, Esq.*

II. That while this Society acknowledges with gratitude to God the blessings which have rested on its humble efforts in past time, it pledges itself to continued and increased exertion, to supply the rapidly increasing population of these Provinces with the Holy Scriptures.

*Moved by the Rev. E. Black, seconded by W. Budden, Esq.*

III. That this Meeting views with sentiments of great pleasure the extending influence of the Parent Institution, and gratefully acknowledges its liberal support to this Auxiliary.

*Moved by the Rev. E. Kingsford, seconded by J. DeWitt, Esq.*

IV. That this Meeting recognizes with deep reverence the hand of God in the afflicting disease with which these Provinces, and more especially our City, have been recently visited, by which the operations of the Society have been retarded, but rejoices in its removal, and the return of opportunities of former intercourse.

*Moved by the Rev. Mr. Robertson, seconded by J. Fleming, Esq.*

V. That the thanks of this Meeting be presented to the Ladies' Bible Association for their renewed and increased exertions in raising funds, and supplying the destitute with copies of the Scriptures, and that they be respectfully requested to continue their valuable services.

Moved by Dr. Holmes, seconded by Rev. King Barton, of York,

VI. That the following Gentlemen be requested to serve as Officers and Committee for the year ensuing :—

**VICE-PRESIDENTS.**

WM. PLENDERLEATH, WM. BUDDEN. J. T. BARRETT and  
WM. LUNN, Esquires.

**TREASURER.**

JOHN FROTHINGHAM, Esquire.

**SECRETARIES.**

Rev. JOHN GILMORE, Corresponding Secretary,  
" WILLIAM SQUIRE, Minute Secretary.

**COMMITTEE.**

Rev. H. Esson,  
" E. Black,  
" A. Mathieson,  
" G. W. Perkins,  
" R. Miles,  
Messrs. J. Fleming,  
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J. Mathewson,  
J. Ferrier,  
J. DeWitt,  
W. Moore,

Messrs. E. Muir,  
J. Rain,  
W. Ritchie,  
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## REPORT.

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

country. Your Committee would, however, suggest the expediency of maintaining a regular correspondence with these Associations, as well as appointing a deputation occasionally to visit them.

Your Committee refer, with great pleasure, to the Ladies' Association during the past year. For several years this Branch seemed to wither, but has again revived, resumed its verdure, and brought forth fruit. A general meeting was held in February, a brief Report read, and some interesting addresses delivered. One sentence in that Report deserves special notice: "A feeling of comparative indifference to the good cause seems, with a fatal influence, to have pervaded our mind. The past cannot be recalled, but the future is in our power; and your Committee, deriving a useful memento from their inattention, have resolved that in the sacred cause of circulating the Holy Scriptures, they will in future, with Divine aid, untiringly devote their energies to the best of their abilities." Since that time the Ladies have divided the town into twenty-four districts, to be visited monthly. They have collected £41 17, and obtained many subscribers for Bibles and Testaments. The facts and observations which they have made in these visitations, might very profitably be introduced to this meeting, were it not to swell the Report to undue dimensions, and occupy too much time.

They have been generally received with civility, kindness and gratitude. In the extracts from the reports of the respective Ladies who visit, we meet with such expressions as follows:—"They received us gladly; were thankful that they could in this way supply themselves with the Word of God."\*—"We have generally found unlimited confidence, and a willingness to give, especially in the classes of mechanics and labourers, and an almost universal approval of the Institution." Again, "We met with considerable success and encouragement, both from Catholics and Protestants." Again, "We have had to contend with many prejudices, and met with much opposition; one family treated us with contempt." Such are a few specimens of the reports generally. One extract more and we finish—"We met with an aged man, whose anxiety to obtain a Bible was so great, that he called on us to ascertain if there were no one who would call on him for his weekly pittance. We agreed to do so, and have received nearly one half of the price of a Bible."

\* A legacy to the Parent Society, during the past year, was left by a servant who, from the first time she heard of Bible Associations, was so gratified with the excellency of the plan, by which the poor could so easily supply themselves, that she became a free contributor herself, and was desirous that Bible Associations might, from the interest of her bequest of £5, derive one penny a-week for ever.

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Your Committee congratulate the Ladies' Association, in the energy and success of their late efforts; there is, no doubt, *yet* room for exertion. In a town in England, containing a population of 18,000, in which an Auxiliary Bible Society had existed for several years, it was found on close investigation, that 1000 of the inhabitants were entirely destitute of the Bible. Many in Montreal are yet destitute of the Word of God. How desirable that all should have it, that they may read the wonderful works of God in their own tongue; how necessary is continued exertion to accomplish this object. This Association will not, therefore, be easily hindered, but prosecute their undertaking with untiring zeal and dependence on God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, until they report that a copy of the Scriptures is lodged in every family, if not put into the hand of every inhabitant of Montreal.

The Books issued from the Depository during the last year are 4164, being an increase of 1187. The receipts during the past year, according to the Treasurer's account, are £315 9 11, including £72 11 9, which have been raised by the Ladies' Associations, being an increase of £69 15 8.

Your Committee sincerely rejoice in the increasing patronage which Bible Societies generally receive in these Provinces, and other parts of the world.

The Quebec Auxiliary issued, during the preceding year, 410 Bibles and Testaments, being ninety-five more than the preceding year. Their income amounted to £189 4, an increase of £75 17 2.

The York Auxiliary issued 1682 Bibles and Testaments, being nearly as many as both of the preceding years, making in all, since the formation of the Society, 3432. The income of the Society during the year, £381 2 7.

The Kingston Auxiliary has issued during the past year, 831 copies. Three Branch Societies have been established, and the receipts have been £212.

The issues of the Parent Institution have been 583,888 copies, being 112,959 more than in the preceding year, making in all, since the commencement of the Society, 7,608,615 Bibles and Testaments. During the past year 130 new Auxiliaries have been formed. The amount received by the Society, from all sources, during the year, £81,735 16 4.

The expenditure of the Parent Society during the first year of its operations, was £691 10 2; that of last year £98,409 10 9. The whole expenditure of the Parent Institution, during the twenty-eight years of its operations, has been £1,878,382 16 2; however liberal, bearing no proportion to that liberality shewn by the Jews at the building of

the temple, David's donation of silver alone amounting to twice the sum.

The issues of the American Bible Society, during the past year, are 115,802 Bibles and Testaments, making in all since the formation of the Society, 1,442,500 copies. The income of the Society during the past year, \$107,059. Their attention has been hitherto confined chiefly to the supply of the wants of their own population, but is now directed to foreign parts. They feel that they have reached an important era—a crisis in the history of the Society. To a very considerable extent the families of their own country have been once supplied with Bibles. Just at this moment when the country has got ready to embark in foreign distributions, the cry for the Bread of Life comes from Russia, different parts of Greece, India, Burman Empire, China and the Sandwich Islands. About eleven years ago some Missionaries went to these Islands,—here, all was darkness—they had no alphabet, no written language. “And now,” says one of these laborers in that field, “40,000 or 50,000 are daily reading the Word of Life in their own tongue.”

Your Committee have observed with pleasure several occurrences, which have subserved the distribution of the Bible more extensively during the past year. At the approach of Cholera, a meeting of the Committee of the Parent Society being called, it was recommended to the Committees of Auxiliary and Branch Societies to communicate with their respective Associations, and to appoint an immediate investigation into the wants of their neighbourhood, and wherever they found a family destitute of the Scriptures, to offer a copy of the New Testament with the Book of Psalms as a loan, the expence of the loan stock to be borne by the Parent Institution.

It is also a gratifying fact, that the British and Foreign Bible Society sent, by special request, 20,000 New Testaments to Lyons, under the sanction of the Minister of Instruction, that they might be circulated in the Schools of the Empire. 170,000 copies of the Scriptures have been circulated in France during the past year; and in Paris, where not many years ago the shops of *the whole city* were searched *in vain* to find a copy of the Scriptures, we now find that the Bible has been publicly sold, and earnestly sought after. The *Archives du Christianism* for August, 1831, observes that since the month of May above 2000 Bibles, and nearly 1600 Testaments have been sold at Paris by the Colporteurs. The issues of the Paris Bible Society in 1831 were 8000; during the past year 11,984, making in all since the commencement 130,000.

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"The Bible sales in the streets of Paris go on at a remarkable rate. It is quite an occupation, independently of our usual engagements to supply the Colporteurs, as far as our share is concerned. Every day we have reports of a curious and interesting nature: as our men go up the streets the people call from their shops, and are quite glad to be able to purchase these volumes. They find *young men* anxious to possess the Scriptures; they assure me, says Professor Kieffer, that they scarcely ever pass the corner of a street without placing one or more with the Porters who are stationed there. If they are not all rich enough to purchase a two franc Bible, they agree to lend one to each other till they can find a sous to have one of their own."

A fact not less interesting perhaps, fraught with the happiest consequences, may be properly introduced to the consideration of the meeting. From the Report of the Merchants' Seaman's Auxiliary, it appears that the distribution of the past year amounts to 5599 copies of the Sacred Scriptures, of which number no fewer than 5369 copies have been *sold* to sailors of *all countries*. At a former period of the operations of this Society, the aggregate amount *sold* was 597 out of no less than 5773 copies. It is true that many, nay multitudes of sailors are yet without copies of the Word of God, but the fact that 5369 copies have been *purchased* by *individual* sailors during the year, is surely a token for good concerning that important part of the community. It almost tempts to think the fulfilment of the prophecy, "*The abundance of the sea shall be converted unto him,*" begins to emerge like the Sun from the bosom of the deep, and will continue its course till it reach the zenith of its glory, and send forth the portion of its light on the sons of men.

However easy it were for your Committee to multiply instances from the operations of the past year, equally promising, they feel it necessary to draw the Report to a close. Events in Providence gave sure indications of the Messiah's first coming, though many did not believe the signs of the times. Indications of the approach of that period, when the "light of the Moon shall be as the light of the Sun, and the light of the Sun as that of seven days," are not now wanting. We hail them with pleasure, and pray God to hasten it in his time. Hitherto, cloud after cloud have sent its chilling shadows over the prospects of man, but at length we know they will break away, and a scene of beauty and brilliancy succeed. The Sun of Righteousness, so long hid, will burst on the bosom of darkness, and kindle the bow of peace over the sky. The strife of nations will subside—fearful apprehensions yield to the repose of friendship—and the springs of

happiness become deep and tranquil. "And," as Hall observes, "learning will amass her stores, and genius emit her splendor, but the former will be displayed without ostentation, and the latter shine with the softened effulgence of humility and love." Wisdom and knowledge will be the stability of the times.

Haste then, and wheel away a shattered world,  
Ye slow revolving seasons ; we *would* see  
A sight to which our eyes are strangers yet,  
A world, that does not dread and hate his laws,  
And suffer for its crime ; would learn how fair  
The creature is that God pronounces good,  
How pleasant in itself, what pleases him.



**Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society in account with J. Frothingham, Treasurer.**

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November 22. For cash paid storage to Cringan.....	£3 10	£40 11 10
December 31. For cash paid rent, &c. per account....	27 0 0	16 7 6
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March 10. For cash paid expenses Agent to St. Johns	2 8 6	5 7 4
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Feb. 15. By cash from Breadalbane Branch.....		22 10 0
March 2. By cash from Ottawa Branch.....	283 14 2	15 0 0
" " By cash of Depository general sales.....	72 7 7	30 19 9
June 28. By cash of ditto ditto.....		12 10 0
July 6. By cash W. G. Pell's Subscription.....		1 5 0
Sept. 11. By cash collected by J. Fleming.....		3 11 6
Oct. 1. By cash of Ladies' Bible Asso. pr. J.T. Barrett.		72 11 9
" 4. By cash of Rev. Mr. Cruikshank.....		11 10 0
" " By cash of Rev. Mr. Smart.....		6 0 0
" " By cash of Depository general sales.....		20 10 0
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1832. Oct. 4. By balance in Treasurer's hands this day..... £72 7 7  
**JOHN FROTHINGHAM, TREASURER.**

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MONTREAL, October 4th, 1832.

*A List of Free Contributors to the Ladies' Bible Association to the amount of Five Shillings and upwards for the year 1832.*

Mr. J. Try,	£1 0 0	Mrs. Thompson,	£0 5 0
Wm. Hedge,	1 0 0	Fuller,	0 5 0
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Buchanan,	0 10 0	Dr. Stevenson,	0 10 0
S. Field,	0 10 0	Tuttle,	0 5 0
Bain,	0 10 0	Square,	0 10 0
Peck,	0 10 0	Kurczyn,	0 5 0
Veners,	0 10 0	Glassford,	0 5 0
Castle,	0 10 0	Spragg,	0 6 0
Hanavan,	0 5 6	Gilmore,	0 10 0
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O. Wait,	1 5 6	Caverhill,	0 5 0
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Joseph Ross,	1 5 0	Fingland,	0 5 0
Grant,	1 5 0	Jeffries,	0 5 0
Lady Aylmer,	5 0 0	Beakman,	0 12 0
Mrs. Bruneau,	0 5 6	Thompson,	0 5 0
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## APPENDIX.

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### LAWS AND REGULATIONS

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#### **Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society.**

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1. The Society shall be designated, "THE MONTREAL AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY," the object of which shall be to co-operate with the *British and Foreign Bible Society* in promoting the distribution of the Holy Scriptures, both at home and abroad.
2. Conformably to the principles of the Parent Institution, the Bibles and Testaments circulated by this Society, shall be without note or comment, and those in the United Kingdom, in the authorised Version only.
3. All persons subscribing four dollars or upwards, per annum, shall be members of this Society; or forty dollars or upwards, at one time, shall be members for life. Nevertheless, persons subscribing less than four dollars per annum, shall be considered as annual Subscribers.
4. The business of the Society shall be conducted by a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretaries, and a Committee consisting of twenty other members; five members of this Committee shall form a quorum, the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and Secretaries attending and voting *ex-officio*.
5. Every Clergyman, or other Minister, who is a member of this Society, shall be enabled to attend and vote at the meetings of the Committee.
6. The Committee shall meet once every month, or oftener, on some day to be fixed by themselves.
7. The Committee are expected to use every possible exertion within the sphere of their influence, in procuring Subscriptions and Donations, with a view to the increase of the funds of this Institution: which sums so raised, shall be, within one month, paid into the hands of the Treasurer, who shall, when directed by the Committee, remit the same to the Parent Society.
8. The whole of the Subscriptions and Donations received by this Society, shall, from time to time, be remitted (after deducting incidental expences) to the Parent Institution, in consideration of the advantages held out to Auxiliary Societies, viz:—"That the Committee of such Society shall be entitled to receive Bibles and Testaments, estimated at prime cost, to the amount of half the entire sum remitted to the Parent Institution, if their local necessities shall require such a supply:—And further, that the members of Auxiliary Societies, shall be entitled to the privilege of purchasing from the Depository of the Auxiliary Societies, on the same conditions as members of the Parent Institution.
9. For the purpose of giving full effect to the benevolent designs of the *British and Foreign Bible Society*, in their grant of the Scriptures for distribution among the poor, the Committee shall make it their business to enquire what families or individuals are in want of Bibles or Testaments, and unable to procure them; and it shall be the duty of the Committee to furnish them therewith, at prime cost, reduced prices, or gratis, according to their circumstances.
10. All Clergymen and other Ministers, making collections in their respective congregations in behalf of this Society, shall be entitled, on remitting such collections to the Treasurer of this Society, to receive Bibles and

Testaments to an amount not exceeding one half of the said respective collections, estimated at prime cost, as shall be found to be needed by the poor in the vicinity; such return of Bibles and Testaments to be claimed within one year from the remittance of such collections. It is recommended to supply by sale rather than by gift.

11. A general meeting of the Subscribers to be held annually at Montreal, when the accounts shall be presented—the proceedings of the past year stated—a new Committee appointed—and a Report agreed upon, to be printed under the direction of the Committee, and circulated among the members.

12. In the formation of a new Committee, the Treasurer, Secretaries, and such three-fourths of the other members as have most frequently attended the Committee, shall be re-eligible for the ensuing year.

13. No alteration shall be made in these Laws except at a general meeting of the Society, and any proposed alteration must be published in at least two of the Montreal Papers, one month previous to the Meeting.

The following Constitution of a Branch Society, and Bible Association, is inserted for the purpose of facilitating the formation of those useful Institutions. Persons in the country are particularly invited to form themselves into Auxiliary Societies: besides discharging the duty of assisting in disseminating the Word of God, (which is incumbent on every Christian) they would consult their private advantage, as they would thereby be enabled to procure Bibles and Testaments at the Society's prices, whereas, at present, they purchase from Country Merchants at a high rate.

#### RULES RECOMMENDED FOR BRANCH SOCIETIES AND BIBLE ASSOCIATIONS.

In the formation of Auxiliary Societies, as friends who have met together for that purpose have frequently found some difficulty in framing a Constitution and Regulations on a subject till then new to them, they may avail themselves of the experience of several Auxiliary Institutions, by the plan here traced.

##### FOR A BRANCH SOCIETY.

1. That the Object and Constitution of the British and Foreign Bible Society have the cordial approbation of this meeting.

2. That a Society be formed to be called, "The Branch Bible Society of \_\_\_\_\_," for the purpose of co-operating with the British and Foreign Bible Society, through the medium of the Montreal Auxiliary Bible Society, in promoting the distribution of the Holy Scriptures both at home and abroad.

3. That, conformably to the principles of the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Bibles and Testaments to be circulated by this Society, shall be without note or comment, and those in the language of the United Kingdom of the authorised version only.

4. That all persons subscribing One Pound per annum, or upwards, or Ten Pounds, or upwards, at one time, shall be members of this Society.

5. That the business of this Society shall be conducted by a President, Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, Secretaries, and a Committee consisting of \_\_\_\_\_ other members: and that \_\_\_\_\_ members of the Committee constitute a quorum.

6. That every Clergyman, or other Minister, who is a member of the Society shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meeting of the Committee.

7. That the Committee shall meet once every month, or oftener, on some day to be fixed by themselves.

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8. That the Committee divide this neighbourhood into Districts, and appoint two or more of their members for each District, who may associate with themselves any Subscribers, for the purpose of soliciting Subscriptions and Donations from the inhabitants thereof; and that they establish proper Agents and Correspondents in different parts within the limits of this Branch Society.

9. That the whole of the Subscriptions and Donations received by this Society shall be remitted half-yearly, after deducting incidental expenses, to the Auxiliary Bible Society of Montreal, on condition of that Society granting to this, the same privileges which the Parent Institution grants, in such cases, to its Auxiliary Societies.

10. That the Committee shall make it their business to inquire what families or individuals, residing within the several Districts, are in want of Bibles or Testaments, and unable to procure them; and that it shall be the duty of the Committee to furnish them therewith at prime cost, reduced prices, or gratis, according to their circumstances.

11. That such persons as may not find it convenient to become members of this Society, shall, upon forming themselves into Bible Associations, be entitled to purchase at the Depository of this Society, under the direction of the Committee, copies of the Scriptures at prime cost, for gratuitous distribution, or sale at prime cost, or reduced prices, among their poor neighbours.

12. That all Clergymen, and other ministers, within the sphere of this Society, making collections in their respective congregations, in behalf of the Institution, shall be entitled, on remitting such collections to the Treasurer of this Society, to receive Bibles and Testaments to an amount, not exceeding one half of the said respective collections, estimated at prime cost, as shall be found to be needed by the poor in the vicinity; such returns of Bibles and Testaments to be claimed within one year from the remittance of the collection. It is recommended, in all practicable cases, to supply the poor by sale, rather than by gift.

13. That a General Meeting of the Subscribers be held at the \_\_\_\_\_ in each year, when the accounts shall be presented, the proceedings of the past year stated, a new committee formed, and a Report agreed upon, to be printed under the direction of the Committee, and circulated among the members.

14. That, in the formation of the new Committee, the Treasurer, the Secretaries, and such three fourths of the other members as have most frequently attended the Committee, shall be re-eligible for the ensuing year.

15. That \_\_\_\_\_ be President, \_\_\_\_\_ Vice-Presidents,  
Treasurer, \_\_\_\_\_ Secretaries and \_\_\_\_\_ Members of the Committee  
for the ensuing year.

16. That Annual subscriptions and Donations be now entered into, and that they be also received by the Treasurer.

17. That these Resolutions be published in such manner as the Committee may direct; and a copy of them, signed by the chairman, transmitted to the President of the Auxiliary Bible Society at Montreal.

18. That the Committee meet the \_\_\_\_\_ instant, at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, and prepare, print, and circulate an Address on the objects and views of this Society.

#### FOR A BIBLE ASSOCIATION.

1. That an Association be formed for the purpose of contributing towards the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, particularly among the poor of this neighbourhood, and that it be denominated the Bible Association of \_\_\_\_\_

2. That every Member of this Association subscribe not less than One Penny a week; the contributions to be payable quarterly, monthly, or weekly, at the option of the subscribers.

3. That for every twenty-four members, the Committee appoint a gratuitous collector, (or that office may be filled by the subscribers in rotation, each for a certain period,) to receive the contributions, who shall pay the same to the Treasurer early in every month.

4. That the business of the Association be under the management of a Treasurer, a Secretary, and a Committee consisting of other members; and that the Treasurer, Secretary, and three-fourths of the other members who have most frequently attended the Committee, shall be eligible for the ensuing year.

5. That the Committee meet once every month, or oftener, on some day to be fixed by themselves, and that shall form a quorum.

6. That the Committee divide this neighbourhood into Districts, and appoint a sub-committee for each District, for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions from the inhabitants thereof.

7. That the Committee shall make it their business to inquire, whether any families or individuals, residing within its sphere, are in want of Bibles or Testaments, and unable to procure them; in which case it shall be the duty of the Committee to furnish them therewith at prime cost, or reduced prices, according to their circumstances.

8. That the funds of this Association, or so much thereof as the Committee shall direct, whether arising from Subscriptions, Donations, or the sale of Bibles or Testaments, at prime cost, or reduced prices, shall, from time to time, be expended in the purchasing of Bibles and Testaments at prime cost, to be given or sold among the poor of this neighbourhood, as before directed, and that the remainder of such funds shall be remitted to the Auxiliary Bible Society at \_\_\_\_\_, or the Branch Bible Society at \_\_\_\_\_, in aid of its benevolent designs.

9. That application be made by the Committee to the Auxiliary Bible Society at Montreal, or to the Branch Bible Society at \_\_\_\_\_ for permission to lay out the funds of this Association, in purchasing at the Depository of the said Society, Bibles and Testaments at the cost prices.

10. That a general meeting of the Subscribers be held at \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ in each year, when the accounts (as audited by the Committee) shall be presented, the proceedings of the past year reported, and a Treasurer, Secretary, and \_\_\_\_\_ Committee-men appointed.

11. That \_\_\_\_\_ be Treasurer, \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary, and \_\_\_\_\_ Members of the Committee for the ensuing year.

12. That Subscriptions and Donations be now entered into, and that they be also received by the Treasurer, Secretary and Members of the Committee.

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