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**BIBLE SOCIETY.**

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## NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY.

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## LAWS AND REGULATIONS

### OF THE NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY.

- I. This society shall be called The Bible Society of N. S. 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 One Pound, or at one time a Donation of Ten Pounds, shall be considered a Member of this Society.
- V. A General Meeting of the Members of this Society shall be held every year, during the sitting of the Legislature, before which shall be laid the accounts and proceedings of the preceding year.
- VI. The whole of the subscriptions and donations, after deducting incidental expences, 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.

AT THE EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY, HELD AT THE ACADIAN SCHOOL, MARCH 18th, 1823.

*The Hon. JUDGE STEWART in the Chair :*

THE Meeting having been opened with prayer by the Rev. Wm. Black, and the Report of the Committee having been read by the Secretary, it was, on the motion of J. W. Nutting, Esq. seconded by W. A. Chipman, Esq.

*Resolved Unanimously,* That the Report now read be received and adopted; and that, it be printed under the direction of the Committee.

On the motion of S. B. Robie, Esq. seconded by W. H. O. Haliburton, Esq. it was

*Resolved Unanimously,* That the thanks of this meeting be given to his Excellency Sir James Kempt, the President, for his continued patronage of this Society.

On the motion of S. G. W. Archibald, Esq. seconded by John Starr, Esq. it was

*Resolved Unanimously,* That the thanks of this meeting be given to the Hon. Chief Justice Blowers, the Vice President, for the continuance of his services to this Society.

On the motion of J. G. Marshall, Esq. seconded by W. Dickson, Esq. it was

*Resolved Unanimously,* That the thanks of this meeting be presented to the several Branch Societies which have continued their exertions in support of the objects of this Institution.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Lusher, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Martin, it was

*Resolved Unanimously,* That the thanks of this meeting be given to the Rev. James Robson, the Secretary, and to H. H. Cogswell, Esq. the Treasurer, and to Mr. M. G. Black, the Depository, for their assiduous and persevering attention to the business of the Society.

The Hon. Judge Stewart having left the Chair, it was taken by H. H. Cogswell, Esq. the Treasurer; and on the motion of John Howe, jun. Esq. seconded by Mr. John A. Barry, it was

*Resolved Unanimously,* That the thanks of this meeting be given to the Hon. Judge Stewart, for his condescending attention to the business of this day, and his uniform and anxious endeavours to promote the interests of this Institution.

The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. J. Martin.

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## Report.

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**T**HE Province of Nova Scotia, as appears from the returns of the public revenue, lately laid before the Hon. House of Assembly, is evidently beginning to recover from the distress which has been, for some time, so severely felt by every order of its inhabitants. And it is to be hoped that, through the blessing of Divine Providence, this amelioration in the state of its affairs, will be progressive; that trade and commerce will regain their wonted vigour, and the middling and inferior classes find themselves again placed in comparatively easy and comfortable circumstances. And when this shall be the case, it cannot be reasonably doubted, that this Auxiliary Bible Society will, less or more, participate in the general prosperity. We are informed from various quarters that many, who are cordially attached to the cause, are kept only by the extreme narrowness of their means, from contributing to our funds. When their means therefore shall become more ample, it may be presumed that they will not forget the resolutions which they have formed and expressed in a season of adversity, but cheerfully contribute, as the Lord had prospered them, for communicating the words of eternal life to the many millions of our fellow creatures, who are still perishing for lack of knowledge. The Committee flatter themselves, indeed, that this Society may be said to be already, in some measure, reaping the first fruits of its improving prospects.—From communications

received from many of the Branch Societies, it appears that the sums raised during the year which has just elapsed, exceed the amount of those which were received during the year which preceded it; although some of these sums have not yet been forwarded to Halifax. The contributions indeed of some of the Branches have diminished; but those of others have considerably increased. The Branch at Horton, too, the revival of which was announced in last Report, has this year made a respectable remittance. A new Branch has also been formed on Truro Road, called "The Gay's River and Upper Shubenacadie District Branch Bible Society," from which the sum of £19 16 0 has been received.

The Branch Society of Annapolis County has formed subordinate Branches at Granville, Clements and Sissiboo, and this arrangement has been found beneficial. The Directors of these Branches appear to be zealous and active, and, as their labours have already proved beneficial, it is hoped that they will yet be productive of more excellent results.

There is no Branch Society whose contributions have dwindled more than those of the Society at Chester; and this may perhaps be ascribed to the high rate of their subscription, in conjunction with the pressure of the times. The reduction of the general rate from one pound to five or ten shillings would probably enable many, whom necessity has compelled to withdraw, to re-appear in the number of their contributors.

The Gay's River and Upper Shubenacadie Branch has divided itself into a Male and Female class, each of which has its appropriate officers, and this Constitution promises to be advantageous. "The Females," says the Society's Report, "have manifested a very praiseworthy and spirited conduct, and by their interest, influence, and example, have added much to our collection, and merit our warmest acknowledgements." It is also provided, by the regulations of this Society, that subscriptions may be paid in produce of various kinds, at a certain specified rate; and that if the produce be afterwards sold to better advantage, the surplus shall be placed to the credit of the contributor, as a part of his subscription for the following year. This arrangement may, perhaps, afford a valuable hint to other branches which find it difficult to realize in money the subscriptions of their members.

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resolved, according to the practice of other Bible Institutions, to appoint some of their number to solicit personally from the inhabitants of Halifax, subscriptions to the funds of this Society. And accordingly, a Sub-committee was soon afterwards appointed for the management of this business. The Sub-committee were at the same time charged to endeavour to ascertain whether, and to what extent, there existed in this town, a want of the scriptures; and whether those who might be destitute of the Scriptures, were able and willing to pay for them, in whole or in part; and also to give copies, gratis, or at reduced prices, where they might judge that such a mode of procedure was expedient. The Sub-committee have since performed part of the work assigned them. They have visited a considerable part of the town, and found a number of families destitute of the Bible, some of which would not accept of copies; while others said that they were able to pay for them, and have since made purchases from the depository. They distributed 34 Bibles among others, some of whom cheerfully paid a part of the price. The Sub-committee also procured some subscriptions; though this part of the work devolved upon them has as yet been but partially performed.

Since the last anniversary, contributions to the amount of £235 4 1½ currency have been received; which, with former contributions from the commencement of the Institution, make the sum of £3478 2 1 currency. The sum now in the hands of the Treasurer, will be remitted by the first opportunity to the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Since the last anniversary to the first inst. 126 Bibles and 285 Testaments have been received from the Parent Institution; besides a donation from the same Society of 176 Bibles and 270 Testaments, chiefly in the Gaelic and German languages, for sale or gratuitous distribution. Since that time, also, 55 Bibles and 144 Testaments have been forwarded to the Branch Societies; 29 Bibles and 41 Testaments have been sold at reduced and cost prices; 141 Bibles and 97 Testaments have been distributed gratis, or placed in the hands of Agents of the Society, for sale, or gratuitous distribution; and there now remain in the depository 102 Bibles and 159 Testaments in the Gaelic language, 38 Bibles and 62 Testaments in the German, 48 Bibles and 50 Testaments in the Irish, and 30 Bibles and 174 Testaments in English; in all 218 Bibles and 445 Testaments.

**The shipwreck of the late French Frigate L'Africane, fur-**

nished the Committee with an opportunity of manifesting a benevolent regard to the best interests of her crew. They ordered what French Testaments were at that time in the depository to be sent to Capt. Epron, for the use of his men, accompanied with a letter from the Secretary, regretting that they were able to send only so small a number, and expressing a hope that what were sent would be of benefit to those for whom they were intended. A letter was soon afterwards received from Capt. Epron, very politely thanking the Committee for their attention.

The British and Foreign Bible Society, aided by a multitude of similar institutions, still prosecutes, with unwearied zeal, its benevolent labours. The multiplicity and the wide extent of its operations, though such as to fill Christendom with wonder and delight, do not so much engross its attention as to prevent it from continually looking out for, and promptly improving new openings for the exercise of its beneficence. Through its instrumentality we are growing, from day to day, better acquainted with the countries and nations of the globe on which we live. From the records of its transactions the names of places and tribes are often for the first time introduced to the knowledge of the civilized world. And whithersoever its influence extends, it fails not to produce the most excellent effects. The darkness which has for many generations, overspread so great a proportion of our race, is visibly beginning to dispel. The knowledge of the only true God, and of Jesus Christ whom he hath sent, is penetrating the most sequestered regions. Superstitions which have been venerated for thousands of years, are losing their hold of the human mind. Entire nations are, with one consent, casting their idols to the moles and to the bats. Nor are the beneficial effects resulting from the dissemination of the Scriptures more discernible in heathen lands, than in countries which have long borne the Christian name. "If it be asked," said the noble President Lord Teignmouth, at the last anniversary of the Institution in May, 1822, "If it be asked what consequences have flowed from the extraordinary distribution of the Scriptures? it may be replied, many and great: it has checked the progress of immorality, vice, and scepticism; it has raised the tone of moral feeling; it has produced an extensive reformation of life and manners; and has disposed many to attend the ordinances of religion, by whom they had been previously neglected; while, at the same time, it

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has enabled them to profit by these ordinances. These consequences are visible. But may we not go farther, and admit the gratifying presumption, that the gospel, thus promulgated, has become the power of God unto salvation in many who have received it.

At the last Anniversary of the Parent Institution, its nett receipts for the preceding year amounted to £103,802 17 1 sterling, and during the same period, there has been in its depository 118,796 Bibles, and 136,173 Testaments, making with those issued at the expence of the Society from foreign presses, since the commencement of the institution 3,563,974 Bibles and Testaments, Since the commencement of the Institution it has collected more than £1,800,000 Sterling.

It is highly gratifying to observe the prosperity of many other Bible Societies in various parts of the world. But at present the Committee would with peculiar satisfaction advert to that of the Protestant Bible Society at Paris; as the rapid progress which it has made encourages us to look for the most beneficial consequences from its labours, in a country in which the scriptures have been so little known, and in which an ignorance of the Scriptures has been lately accompanied with the most dreadful effects. It is not yet four years since that Society was instituted, and it is now surrounded with 40 Auxiliaries, and 12 Associations. During the year before last its income was very little more than 40,000 francs, and last year it amounted to more than 100,000.

The British and Foreign Bible Society continues to enjoy as it eminently deserves, the countenance and support of Christians at home, of every rank, and of every name; or rather, it is still rising in the public estimation. The attempts of enemies to defame, and to injure it, have only served to enhance its reputation, and to extend its influence. Of this it may be regarded as an ample proof, that its income, last year, considerably exceeded that of any other year since its commencement.

The exertions of the British and Foreign Bible Society, form a very prominent feature of this eventful age. Much more has been done, during the few years which have intervened since its commencement, for spreading over the face of the earth the knowledge of our holy religion, than had been done for more than a thousand years before. And the magnitude of the exertions which have been made, instead of exhausting, has continually served to invigorate the benevolent spi-

fit which now animates the Christian world. "The moral machinery," to make use once more of the words of Lord Teignmouth, "which it has set in action, is every year acquiring new power; and we may indulge the pleasing hope, that it will continue to act with augmented energy, and accelerated movements, until the wishes of our hearts are attained, that all who are willing to receive, and able to read, the word of God, shall have the means of doing so."

Now indeed is evidently fulfilling what was symbolically represented to John in Patmos, when he saw an angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting Gospel to preach to them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people. And we trust that the light which is now shedding its beams upon the nations, will shine more and more unto the perfect day. The disorders and the wretchedness which have hitherto overflowed the world will then be remembered as a tale that is told. Every thing prejudicial to the interests of Society will be rooted out, and every thing that is conducive to its welfare will take root and flourish. A mighty moral revolution will be effected among mankind. Wars will cease unto the ends of the earth. The most savage natures will lay aside their fierceness; the most blood-thirsty will cease to destroy; the most noxious will forget to injure. Peace and love will universally prevail. "The wolf also," says God by the Prophet, "shall dwell with the lamb; and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf, and the young lion, and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand, on the cockatrice' den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." May the good Lord hasten it in its time.

Dr. Henry H. Cogswell, Esq. Treasurer, in Account with the Nova Scotia Bible Society, Cr.

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REPORT of the CUMBERLAND BIBLE SOCIETY, Jan. 15th, 1823.

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THE Committee of the Cumberland Bible Society, in reporting the proceedings of the past year, have to regret the continued diminution of the number of its members. They would, however, rejoice to find that a few still remain cordially attached to the interests of the institution, and *willing to communicate*, according to their ability, for its support and furtherance: nor do they doubt that there are others who would gladly assist, were it in their power.

At, and since the last anniversary, contributions have been received to the amount of 15*l.* which, with 17*s.* 6*d.* before in hand, and 6*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* paid for Bibles, making 22*l.* 6*s.* 10*d.* currency, has been remitted to the Treasurer of the Nova Scotia Bible Society.

During the year past, 8 Bibles and one Testament have been distributed gratuitously; and 9 Bibles have been sold at reduced prices; and there now remain in the Depository 70 Bibles and 76 Testaments.

Were it necessary to urge motives to vigorous exertion, and steady perseverance in the dissemination of the Sacred Scriptures, your Committee might notice their incomparable excellence, the great privilege enjoyed by those who possess them, and the extreme privation endured by those who are destitute of them. They would especially remark with what astonishing success Almighty God has crowned the labours of the Parent Society, and other Societies engaged in this good work; whereby he has most clearly manifested that *with such sacrifices he is well pleased*. But this cause commends itself so forcibly to the heart and conscience, that, to persons rightly disposed, arguments and incentives must be unnecessary. Those who desire to be instrumental in promoting the declarative glory of God, and the present and eternal welfare of their fellow-mortals, have here an opportunity afforded them. Let us then, in this so good and great a cause, adopt the language of Nehemiah, *The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants will arise and build.*

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REPORT of the HANTS COUNTY BIBLE SOCIETY, Dec. 1822.

ANNUAL Reports of Benevolent Institutions are records and memorials of the Divine benignity in favouring the exertions of men for promoting the welfare of their species. When they faithfully exhibit what has already been done, and the present aspects of Providence, they furnish incentives to zeal and activity.

We will not begin by referring to the present scarcity of money, a complaint, though just, yet often little better than a hackneyed apology for the neglect of duty, and which actually deepens the gloom of life. Our Society has not been materially affected by the depression of the times: the best portion of our members keep their station on the field of benevolence, and count it their honour to promote the cause of the Redeemer among the dark and idolatrous kingdoms of the world. We rejoice in the encouragement which the Society has received as a circumstance creditable to the moral and religious character of the age: and we would remind its friends that its stability and prosperity must ultimately depend on individual exertion. All human things have a tendency to decay, and many excellent Institutions, have languished and died through the carelessness of men. Let every efficient member of the Society consider himself as a guardian of its interest and welfare, and let him do what he can to promote its resources. Let him cherish its spirit and consider his own improvement as connected with its success. The happy effects of the Bible Society are not confined to its immediate objects. It gives a spring to religious enterprise, and awakens feelings favourable to kindred Institutions. We have at Windsor a Female Charitable Society; at Rawdon a Peace Society, at Newport a Book Society and a Missionary Society, and they may be justly regarded as the children of the Bible Society. The support given them will not diminish the resources of the Bible Society; but it will deepen and widen the channel of that river whose streams shall gladden the city of our God.

We rejoice that the Bible Society is already become a great tree which covers many nations with its shade. Fifty years ago Christian charity was asleep. India bowed to her idols, and long injured Africa wore her chains unpitied and unrelieved: Buchannan and Martyn and Wilberforce, angels of mercy, were unknown. Infidelity desolated the fairest provinces of Christendom, and wars were the applauded achiev-

ments of states and empires : but the age of infidelity is past, and the sun of peace is rising on the world ; India is renouncing her pagan deities ; Africa is casting away her chains and stretching out her hands to God ; and soon shall the Gambia, the Niger and the Nile grace their shores with Christian Temples, and lend their waters to fertilize a Gospel land : In the mean time the wretched Arab, exchanging his Koran for the Bible, and tamed by its influence to honest industry, will settle the quarrel with the family of Jacob, and worship in the same temple.

REPORT of the HORTON BRANCH BIBLE SOCIETY, Jan. 1, 1823.

THE Committee, in reporting the proceedings of the last year, have occasion to advert to the meeting held in this place in February last for the purpose of renewing and reorganizing this Branch of the Nova Scotia Bible Society : at which time a re-election of officers took place, and such measures were adopted as, it was supposed, would facilitate and promote the object and design of this Institution ; one of which was that of dividing the township into ten districts, and of nominating a suitable person in each to solicit subscriptions and to collect the same. This measure was carried into effect ; but its success has not been equal to our anticipations, owing as we believe to three various causes ; viz. with some a backwardness and total disinclination, with others the great difficulty of realizing the money or any means wherewith to pay their subscriptions, and with others, who possess the willing heart, an entire inability to contribute at all. The Committee conclude, from their general observation, that the greatest existing barrier to the promotion of this soul benefiting Institution in this place that a very considerable proportion of the Inhabitants (notwithstanding the efforts that have been made in circulating Reports, and giving, otherwise, public opportunities of information on this subject) to the present remain unacquainted with the nature, design, or happy effects, of the Bible Society, consequently no common arguments will induce them to contribute their aid. However though the Committee have to lament over difficulties like those named, yet they can rejoice that there are a number, who, by their willing subscriptions, (proportioned to the times) their unabated zeal, their cheerful readiness in all affairs connected with the Society, manifest that they have a desire to promote the present and eternal welfare of their fellow creatures, especially of those who live

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in the benighted lands of the East, and who have long been deprived of the blessings of the Bible, and of the Gospel of peace which it contains. The Committee learn with grateful pleasure that the beneficial effects of the Bible Society continue to be felt and acknowledged throughout various parts of the world; and while they consider this Institution of Divine appointment, and reflect upon its past success, they feel fully convinced that its gracious influences will urge their widening way until the whole earth shall be filled with the knowledge of God. Under these impressions they come cheerfully forward to call upon their friends, neighbours, and fellow townsmen to engage with them in this blessed work which in its effects is calculated to make many happy in this life, and, what is vastly more important, to save souls from everlasting destruction.

The subscriptions for the past year were without an exception made as donations, it being conceived the best way, as then persons subscribing could yearly withdraw or continue their aid, as they thought proper, freeing the Society from charges of severity and impropriety in demanding long standing arrears.

There has been realized from the last year's subscription the sum of 15*l.* which together with 5*l.* 9*s.* 3*d.* being the balance of an old subscription received from the former Treasurer, and 5*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.* obtained by the sale of Bibles and Testaments the last year, amount to 25*l.* 12*s.* 9*d.* of which 10*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* has been remitted to the general Treasurer of the Nova Scotia Bible Society, leaving a balance in the hands of your Treasurer of 14*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* to be remitted at an early period. There were on hand at the last meeting of the Society 14 English Bibles, 9 English Testaments, and 2 Dutch Testaments; 2 Bibles and 4 Testaments have been given gratis to such persons as were deemed worthy of them; the remaining 12 Bibles and 5 Testaments have been sold, the 2 Dutch Testaments remain on hand. The several Reports put into the hands of your Depository have all been distributed. The Committee regret to find that the exertions of the last year have proved in a great measure unavailing, and that the sum received in aid of this Society is but small to what they might have reasonably expected. However they are led to hope that the subscriptions and proceedings of the subsequent year, will raise not only the funds, but also the credit of this Society into respect and notice.

TRURO ROAD, near GAY'S RIVER, Jan. 23, 1823.

I HAVE the pleasure to inform you that at the particular desire and recommendation of the Rev. R. Blackwood, a Meeting of the inhabitants of this place was convened on the 19th Dec. 1821, for the purpose of forming themselves into a Society to put in their mite in aid of that most excellent Institution, The British and Foreign Bible Society, when the following resolutions were agreed to unanimously, viz.

1st, That this Society shall be called The Gay's River and Upper Shubenacadie District Branch Bible Society.

2d, That its managers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary, with other four members of Committee, five of the above list forming a quorum, the managers to be elected yearly at the General Meeting.

3d, That all the proceeds of this Society shall be transmitted annually to the Bible Society's fund in Halifax, contingent expenses excepted. These proceeds to be raised by the general voice of the Society in any manner agreeable to their desire.

4th, That the contribution of 2s. 6d. shall constitute the individual a member, the same being annually paid.

5th, That all donations and subscriptions below the sum which constitutes a member shall be gratefully received and cast into the general fund for the above benevolent design.

6th, That the Society shall meet annually for the purpose of settling its accounts and regulating its affairs.

It was also resolved, That the thanks of this Society be given to the Rev. R. Blackwood, for calling this meeting, and for his zealous and able conduct in the chair.

The following Gentlemen were proposed and unanimously elected to be office-bearers for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Robert Blackwood, President,  
 Mr. William Dickey, Vice-President,  
 Mr. Samuel Moore, Treasurer,  
 Mr. William Field, Secretary,  
 Mr. William Cook,  
 Mr. Robert Pollock, } Other Members of Committee.  
 Mr. George Logan, }  
 Mr. James Keys, }

The Society divided itself into two classes, male and female, and the following ladies were unanimously chosen to be office-bearers for the Female Society, viz. Mrs. Blackwood, President, Miss Field, Secretary, Mrs. Thos. Parker, Mrs. Jas.

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Keys, Mrs. John Cook, and Miss Pollock, Members of Committee.

A Subscription list was immediately signed by all present, and by the subsequent exertions of the Committee, who severally went round to those members of the Congregation who were not at the meeting, a very considerable addition was made to the subscription list.

On the 19th December last our Annual Meeting took place, when the subscriptions of the foregoing year were mostly paid up. The minutes and resolutions of the last Meeting, and the statement of the Society's accounts, were read and approved.

The office-bearers and Members of Committee were all re-chosen. *It was further resolved,*

1st, That any member wishing to discontinue or reduce his subscription, may do so on giving notice in writing to the Committee, otherwise must be considered bound to pay annually the amount of his first subscription.

2d, That a supply of Bibles and Testaments be requested from the Parent Society, to be disposed of agreeably to the views of the Committee.

3d, That subscriptions by produce for this year shall be received on the following terms, viz. Small oats 1s. 6d. large oats 2s. wheat 7s. white peas 7s. gray peas 6s. Indian corn 6s. per bushel.

4th, That the produce shall be sold in the spring, and the overplus (if any) to be placed to the credit of the members respectively for the following year.

Considering that this is a small and scattered settlement, and that the subscriptions are confined within the bounds of the Congregation, and considering also the depression of the times, and the extinction almost of public medium, the sum (though small) has exceeded our most sanguine expectations.

We are happy to add that the people appear to be much interested and warmly attached to the Institution, and we hope and trust that the same pious flame will still glow in their bosoms, and not only animate them to perseverance, but stir them up to greater exertions in the glorious cause.

The females have manifested a very praise-worthy and spirited conduct, and by their interest, influence, and exam-

ple, have added much to our collections; and merit our warmest acknowledgments.

I am, Rev. Sir,

With the greatest respect,

Your most obedient humble Servant,

WILLIAM FIELD, *Secretary.*

*The Rev. James Robson.*

P. S. We have some contributions in produce which cannot be advantageously converted into cash till the Spring.

Yours truly,

WILLIAM FIELD.

HALIFAX, le 6 Juin, 1822.

MONSIEUR,

J'ai reçu les exemplaires du Nouveau Testament de Notre Seigneur Jesus Christ, que vous avez eu la bonté de m'adresser, pour l'instruction de mon Equipage. Je vous prie de faire agréer sa reconnoissance et la mieux à L'honorable Société de la Bible pour cette louable attention de sa part. Veuillez aussi Monsieur, recevoir l'assurance des sentiments particulieres avec lesquels, J'ai l'honneur d'être, avec une consideration très distinguée, Monsieur,

Votre très humble Serviteur,

J. EPRON,

Capt. de Vaisseau.

*A Monsieur James Robson, }  
Secrétaire de L'hon de la Bible, &c. }*

### LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

TO THE NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY, FOR THE YEAR 1822.

HALIFAX.	Annual.	Donation.
Archibald, S. G. W. Esq.	£l 0 0	
Allison, Mr. Joseph	1 0 0	
Blowers, The Hon. S. S.	1 0 0	
Black, The Rev. William	1 0 0	
Bromley, Walter Esq.	1 0 0	
Burton, The Rev. John	1 0 0	
Barron, Mr. John		0 10 0
Black, Mr. M. G.	1 0 0	
Black, Mr. Samuel	1 0 0	
Barry, Mr. John A.	1 0 0	

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Brockley, Mr. George		0 5 0
Black Mr. James	£1 0 0	
Collins, The Hon. Enos	1 0 0	
Crawley, F. Esq. (Sydney)	1 0 0	
Cogswell, H. H. Esq.	1 0 0	
Friend, per M. G. B.		1 0 0
Fairbanks, Samuel Esq.	1 0 0	
Foreman, James Esq.	1 0 0	
Ferguson, Mr. John	1 0 0	
Fraser, Mr. A. (Douglas)	0 10 0	
Gray, Rev. Doctor	1 0 0	
Grant Mr. P. (Douglas)	0 10 0	
Grant, M. J.	0 10 0	
Hill, Capt.	1 0 0	
Howe, John Esq.	1 0 0	
Howe, John jun. Esq.	1 0 0	
Head, Samuel Esq.	1 0 0	
Haden, F. W. Esq.	1 0 0	
Hare, Mr. David	1 0 0	
Hamilton, Mr. James	1 0 0	
Izat, Mrs.	1 0 0	
Izat, Mr. Alexander	1 0 0	
Jeffery, The Hon. T. N.	1 0 0	
Johnston, J. W. Esq.	1 0 0	
Kempt, Sir James	3 0 0	
Knox, The Rev. Mr.	1 0 0	
Kerr, Col. (Parraboro)	1 0 0	
Leishman, Mr. J.	1 0 0	
Lawson, William Esq.	1 0 0	
Lydiard, Mr. Samuel	1 0 0	
Mott, Mrs. (two years)	2 0 0	
Martin, The Rev. John	1 0 0	
Munro, Mr. John	1 0 0	
M'Intosh, Mrs.		0 3 0
Marshall, J. G. Esq.	1 0 0	
Morris, The Hon. Charles	1 0 0	
Nutting, J. W. Esq.	1 0 0	
Robie, S. B. Esq.	1 0 0	
Robson, Rev. James	2 6 8	
Stewart, The Hon. Judge	1 0 0	
Starr, John Esq.	1 0 0	
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Donation.

	Annual.	Donation.
Smith, Wm. Esq. (Douglas)	£1 0 0	
Smith, Richard Esq.	1 0 0	
Smith, Benjamin Esq.	1 0 0	
Wier, Mr. William sen.	0 5 0	
Young, John Esq.	1 0 0	
<i>ANNAPOLIS COUNTY.</i>		
Ansley, Rev. Thomas	10 0	
Burrel, John	5 0	
Bent, Asa	10 0	
Bent, Joseph	10 0	
Bent, Stephen	10 0	
Bent, William	10 0	
Beekwith, E. M.	10 0	
Bayard, Sam. V.	2 0 0	
Chesley, Samuel	10 0	
Cross, Janet		5 0
De Lancey Martha		1 3
Ditmars, Dowie	1 0 0	
Ditmars, Dowie jun.	10 0	
Fellowes, Israel (legacy)		1 5 0
Fellowes, Mrs. Catharine, col- lected by her in small sums }		4 10 0
Hardwick, Henry	10 0	
Hardy, Anthony	1 0 0	
Harris, George	10 0	
Johnson, Peter		1 10 1
Lent, Eleanor		2 1
Morse, Mrs. Susannah, col- lected by her in small sums }		17 7
Purdy, James	10 0	
Potter, Warren	7 6	
Pearson, Thomas		7 6
Quinn, Roger	10 0	
Randall, William	1 0 0	
Reid, Mary		7 6
Shook, David	10 0	
Simpson, Henry	5 0	
Spurr, Thomas	1 0 0	
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Vroom, John	£0 10 0	
Whitman, Asaph		5 0
Warren, Nicholas		5 0
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*Clements Branch of the Annapolis County Society.*

	Annual.		Annual.
Balcomb, Olive	£0 10 0	Vroom, John	£0 10 0
Burrel, John	10 0	Vroom, Henry	10 0
Chute, Abel	10 0		Donation.
Chute, Andrew	10 0	Balcomb, Eleanor	0 2 6
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Chute, Calvin	10 0	Burrel, Mary	2 6
Chute, Daniel	10 0	Chute, Abraham	5 0
Chute, Thomas	10 0	Chute, Israel	2 6
Chute Thomas jun.	10 0	Chute, John	2 6
Crosby, William	7 6	Chute, Sarah	5 0
Ditmars, Dowe	10 0	Dukeshire, Abraham	5 0
Ditmars, Dowe jun.	10 0	Emery, Mary	6 0
Dukeshire, Daniel	10 0	Fortane, Rose	1 0
Dukeshire, George	10 0	Jones, William jun.	5 0
Millner, John	10 0	Millner, Beulah	2 6
Miller, Francis	10 0	Milberry, Thomas	2 6
Morgan, Edward	10 0	Purdy, Jonah	3 0
Purdy, James	5 0	Purdy, Gabriel	3 0
Purdy, Anthony	1 0	Rawding, Jacob	2 6
Potter, Israel	10 0	Rawding, Phebe	2 6
Potter, Aaron	10 0	Robbins, Fanny	1 3
Potter, Benjamin 3d	5 0	Robbins, William	2 6
Pickup, Mary	5 0	Weare, James	2 6
Pickup, Sarah	5 0	Weare, Robert (a child)	0 1
Pickup, William	10 0	Weare, Samuel	8 9

*Lower Granville Branch of Annapolis County Society.*

	Annual.		Donation.
Harris, Rev. David	0 10 0	M'Intyre, Hannah	0 1 3
Hall, Samuel	10 0	White, Margaret	3 0
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Boile, Mrs. (a widow)	£1	0 0	Mitchell, Mr. Geo.	£1	0 0
Crandal, D. W. Esq.	2	6 8	Thomson, Mr. Jas. S.	1	0 0
Dimock, Rev. Joseph	1	3 4			

## CORNWALLIS.

Allison, James Esq.	10	Kinsman, Ezekiel	1	0	0
Burbidge, James	1	0	Kinsman, Amos	10	
Bleigh, Thomas	1	0	Kinsman, Ebenezer	1	0
Burbidge, Widow Ann	10		Manning, Rev. E.	1	0
Beckwith, Asa jun.	1	0	Morton, Roland	1	0
Bolls, Graham	10		Masters, S. W.	10	
Bayard, Doctor R.	1	0	Morton, John	1	0
Barton, William	2	6	M'Donald, Geo.	2	6
Chipman, J. Esq.	1	0	Newcomb, John	1	0
Chipman, W. A.	1	0	Newcomb, Obd. & Jas.	1	0
Chipman, Homes	1	0	Pearsons, John	10	
Chipman, William	1	0	Reed, Walter	1	0
Chipman J. H.	10		Reed, Stephen S.	5	
Chipman, Geo, Esq.	1	0	Robinson, William	1	0
Chipman, Charles	5		Supper, Thomas	1	0
Chase, Joshua	1	0	Sanford, Benjamin	1	0
Calkins, Ahira	10		Sanford, Benjamin	1	0
Cogswell, Daniel	1	0	Sharp, Samuel	5	
Cogswell, James	1	0	Sharp, Robert	7	6
Cogswell, William	1	0	Terry, John M.	7	6
Cogswell, Oliver & } W. H. Allison }	5		Terry, Ephraim	10	
Cogswell, Harriet	2	6	Woodworth Levi	1	0
Dickie, William	1	0	Woodworth, Oliver	1	0
Dickie, David	1	0	Woodworth, John	10	
Dickie, James	10		Woodworth, George	5	
Dickie, H. L.	10		Woodworth, Henry	5	
Dewolf C. & E.	10		Webster, Dr. Isaac	1	5
Eaton, William	10		Wheaton, William D.	5	
Forsythe, Rev. Wm.	1	0	Whidden, David Esq.	10	
Hamilton, Otho	5		Whidden, John Esq.	10	
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## CUMBERLAND.

Baker, Chas. Esq. } President }	10	Chapman, Thos. sen.	10
Baker, W. Esq. V. P.	10	Crane, William Esq.	10
Baker, Miss Charlotte	5	Dickey, Robt. M. G.	10
Bent, Martin	10	Freeman, Samuel	10
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Logan, Mrs. Hugh	5	Tupper, Rev. C. Sec.	10
Logan, Matthew	1	Trueman, Wm. sen.	10
Logan, Thomas	10	Trueman, Thompson	5
Lewis, Gaius Esq.	10	Trueman, H. Treasr.	10
Rayworth, John	10	Wilson, Rev. James	5

HANTS COUNTY.

	Annual.		Annual.
Alice, Mr.	0 10 0	Haliburton, W. H. O. Es	1 0 0
Allison, Jn. Esq. Pr.	1	Jackson, Rev. Geo.	10
Allison, William	10	Inglis, Andrew	10
Allison, Jas. As. Sec.	10	Leavons, George	10
Anderson, John	10	Leavons, Mrs.	5
Burt, Rev. William	10	Mackay, William	10
Clarke, John Esq.	1	Mackay, George	10
Campbell, Mrs.	1	Mackay, John Esq.	10
Casey, Benjamin	10	Mackay, Mrs.	10
Chambers, John	10	M'Kenzie, John	10
Card, Richard	10	M'Haffie, Robert	10
Cunningham, Mrs.	1	Meek, Samuel	10
Caldwell, Joseph	10	Mosier E.	5
Chandley, William	10	O'Brien, Wm. Esq.	10
Dick, Mrs.	10	Payzant, Elias	10
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Dimock, Rev. George	10	Rathburn, Sarah	5
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Dewolf, Benj. Esq.	10	Shaw, Anthony	10
Elder, John Esq.	10	Shaw, Jedidiah	10
Evans, Llewellyn J.	5	Starke, John	10
Forrest, John	10	Shaw, Eliza	5
Friend to the cause	5	Stirling James	
Fraser, W. Esq. Tresr. T		Smith, Archibald	10
Gorden, James	10	Shey, Wm. H. Esq.	10
Godfrey, John	10	Todd, John	10
Godfrey, Mrs.	5	Tongue, Caleb Esq.	10
Harvie, James	10	Wyer, Samuel	10
Harvie, Andw. jun.	5	Wyer, Daniel Esq.	10
Harvie, Miss Amy	2 6	Young, Clarke	10
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## HORTON.

Donation.		Donation.	
Avery, Capt. Saml.	£0 10 0	Hamilton, Otho	£0 5 0
Allen, Joseph	5	Harris, Elisha	2 6
Burt, Rev. W. Presid.	10	Johnson, John	10
Brown, Capt. Charles	10	Kirkpatrick, John	10
Benjamin, Perez M.	5	Lockhart, Dapl. Esq.	10
Bayers, Edward	10	Loveless, Isaac	5
Borden, Perry	5	Little, Thomas	10
Bishop, Capt. Ebenezer	7 6	Martin, Perez	5
Crane, James N.	7 6	Pope, Rev. J. V.P.	10
Dewolf, Elisha Esq.	10	Palmer James	5
Dewolf, Daniel Esq.	10	Randol, Charles	5
Dewolf, William	5	Randol, Nathaniel	2 6
Dewolf, A. tres. & dep.	10	Rathburn, Araunah	7 6
Fitch, Simon Esq.	10	Strong Peter	7 6
Fitch, Capt. S. jr. V.P.	10	Thompson, John	10
Fitch, Frederick	10	Woodworth, Elihu	
Fitch, Samuel	5	Secretary	10
Graham, Capt. Jon.	5	Woodworth, Sarah	5
Harris, J. D. Esq.	} 1 0 0	Woodworth, Joseph	5
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## TRURO.

Annual.		Annual.	
Archibald, Jas. Esq.	0 10 0	Handley, Alex.	0 10 0
Archibald, John j.	5	Logan, Edward	5
Archibald, Ebenezer	5	McCully, William	5
Archibald, Saml. 3d	7 6	Millar, Alexander	10
Blanchard, E. T. Esq.	5	Moore, Hugh	10
Christie, John	5	Millar, Alex. 3d	5
Christie, John D.	5	M'Laughlin, William	5
Cock, Daniel	10	Smith, John	6
Dickson, Wm. Esq.	10	Tucker, Charles	2 6
Dunlop, James	10	Waddle, Rev. John	10
Dunlop, Samuel	5		Donation.
Dunlop, James jun.	1 1	Kent, Alexander	4 0 0
Fleming, William	10	Truro collection box	3 13 4
<i>Stewards Branch of Truro Society.</i>			
Blackie, Charles B.	0 5 0		Annual.
Gammel, Archibald	10	Newcomb, D. Matth.	0 5 0
Gammel, Robert	10	Tupper, Saml. Esq.	10
Graham, Rev. H. Sec.	10		Donation.
Johnson, Wm.	10	Money arising from the	
Newcomb, Abraham	10	sale of Bibles & Test.	13 0