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ANNUAL MEETING.—Third Tuesday of January. The Committee meet on the second Monday of each month, at 4 P.M., and oftener, as business may require.

## Constitution of the Auxiliary Bible Society of Kingston.

I.—That the "Auxiliary Bible Society of Kingston," cordially approving the object and Constitution of the British and Foreign Bible Society, has been organized for the purpose of co-operating with that Institution, in promoting the distribution of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, and such copies as are in the languages of the United Kingdom shall be of the authorized version only.

II.—That all persons subscribing 7s. 6d. per annum shall be members of this Society; and each subscriber of £5 at one time shall be a life member.

III.—That the business of this Society shall be conducted by a Committee, comprising President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretaries, and not less than ten other members; and that five members constitute a quorum.

IV.—That all Ministers of the Gospel who are members of the Society shall be members of the Committee.

V.—That the Committee shall meet every month, or oftener if necessary.

VI.—That the whole of the subscriptions and donations received by the Society shall be applied, after deducting incidental expenses in the first instance, to such Bibles and Testaments from the Parent Institution as are required for distribution, and that the surplus funds shall be remitted to the Parent Society.

VII.—That for the promotion of the circulation of the Scriptures it is expedient to encourage the formation of Branch Societies and Depots, and to employ such other agencies as the Committee may think suitable.

VIII.—That a general meeting of the subscribers be held on the third Tuesday in January in each year, 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 and circulated under the direction of the Committee.

IX.—That in the formation of the new Committee respect be had to those who have been found faithful in their attendance during the year.

X.—That the Committee shall have the power of nominating such persons as have rendered essential services to the Society, either governors for life or honorary members.

### FORM OF CONSTITUTION FOR BRANCH SOCIETIES.

I.—That we form ourselves into a Society in connection with the "Auxiliary Bible Society of Kingston," for the purpose of contributing towards the circulation of the Holy Scriptures of such copies as are in the languages of the United Kingdom, to be of the authorized version only; and that the Society be denominated "The Branch Society of ———."

II.—That all persons subscribing ——— or upwards per annum shall be members of this Society.

III.—That the business of this Society shall be conducted by a Committee, comprising the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and Secretaries, and not less than ——— other members, and that ——— members of this Committee constitute a quorum.

IV.—That all Ministers of the Gospel who are members of the Society shall be members of the Committee.

V.—That the Committee shall meet every third month, or oftener if necessary.

VI.—That the Committee divide the locality into sections, and appoint two or more of their members for each section, who may associate with themselves any subscribers, for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions and donations.

VII.—That the whole of the money received by this Society shall be applied, after deducting incidental expenses in the first instance, to the purchase of such Bibles and Testaments from the Kingston Auxiliary as are required for distribution, and that the surplus funds shall be remitted to the Kingston Auxiliary.

VIII.—That a general meeting of the subscribers be held at such time as shall be convenient in each year, when the accounts shall be presented, the proceedings of the past year stated, a new Committee appointed, and a Report agreed upon.

IX.—That in the formation of a new Committee respect be had to those who have been found faithful in their attendance during the year.

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## ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

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The annual meeting was held in the City Hall, on Tuesday, the 17th January, 1865—THOMAS KIRKPATRICK, Esq., President, in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. DOBBS.

An abstract of the Report was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Dr. MAIR.

The Annual Report of the Ladies' Auxiliary was read by Mr. PATON.

On motion of the Rev. R. V. ROGERS, M.A., seconded by the Rev. J. GEMLEY, it was

Resolved—That the Report of which an abstract has been read be adopted, printed, and circulated under the direction of the Committee, and that the following be the Office-bearers and Committee for the ensuing year, with power to add to their number.—(See page 2.)

Two verses of hymn sung.

The Rev. HENRY GILL, Representative of the British and Foreign Bible Society, introduced by the chairman, addressed the meeting.

On motion of the Very Rev. Principal SNODGRASS, seconded by Colonel BURROWS, R.A., it was

Resolved—That this meeting most cordially welcome the Rev. HENRY GILL, the distinguished Representative of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and desire to express the deep sense they entertain of the high honor conferred on them, in common with other kindred institutions, by his mission to Canada, etc., and their confidence that his opportune visit, with the varied and highly-prized information he has communicated respecting the world-wide operations of their illustrious parent and her numerous offspring, together with his wise counsels, and, with the blessing of God, have a powerful effect in stimulating old and tried friends of the Bible to more prayerful, sustained and zealous efforts for the dissemination and inculcation of Divine Truth, and in raising up new associates to aid in the blessed work, and both ways tend greatly to advance the Redeemer's Kingdom and elevate the standard of public morals.

Two verses of hymn sung.

Rev. Mr. BROOKMAN, Agent of the Upper Canada Bible Society, introduced by the chairman, addressed the meeting.

Collection taken up.

On motion of the Rev. K. M. FENWICK, seconded by JOHN PATON, Esq., it was

Resolved—That this meeting express their entire and unanimous approval of the action taken by the Committee of the Kingston Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society in consenting to become a Central Auxiliary to the Upper Canada Bible Society, upon the basis of the resolutions now submitted, and hereby confirm and ratify that action accordingly—empowering the Committee now chosen to change the constitution to the altered relation of the Auxiliary.

On motion of Dr. MAIR, seconded by THOMAS HENDRY, Esq., it was

Resolved—That this meeting, on the eve of the Kingston Auxiliary bidding a final farewell to her august and venerable parent, and being henceforth associated in a similar relation with the U.C. Bible Society, desires to tender, through the honored delegate of the British and Foreign Bible Society, their best thanks to the Committee of that noble institution for the uniform courtesy, kindness, and generous treatment received from her, and at the same time to express their most grateful acknowledgments to the Rev. HENRY GILL, and the Rev. WM. BROOKMAN, for their valuable services upon this occasion.

Doxology.

Benediction pronounced by Rev. K. M. FENWICK.

## REPORT.

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How blessed—how consolatory—the truth, and the belief of it, that “the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy,” and that the Bible contains that testimony, from Genesis to Revelation, from first to last!

What an inestimable privilege to have been employed as agents in disseminating “the Word of God—the incorruptible seed—which liveth and abideth forever”—by which alone any sinful descendant of the first Adam can, under the Divine administration and power of the Holy Ghost, be turned from darkness to light, from the power of Satan unto God, and made like “the last Adam, the second man, the Lord from heaven!” This distinguished privilege has been enjoyed by the Kingston Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society for a number of years past; and for a variety of reasons we could sincerely desire that the silken ties which, since 1830 (with an interval of inaction from 1842 to 1849), have so happily united us to our illustrious and revered parent might not be loosed, and that we might continue to co-operate, as humble instruments under her immediate patronage and guidance, in the diffusion of Divine truth, for many years to come; but opposing forces, under the control of an all-wise, overruling Providence, seem to have placed such aspirations beyond our reach, and it behoves us submissively to say, “Thy will be done.”

Successive committees have endeavored to create and keep up a warm interest in the noble work of Bible circulation amongst their branches, by means of intelligent, zealous, hard-working colporteurs, visits from ministers and laymen, and for two years past the indefatigable labors of two talented and devoted ministers of the gospel: first, the Rev. P. D. MUIR, and latterly, the Rev. JOHN McEWEN, as travelling agents.

But, although many copies of the Holy Scriptures have no doubt found their way by means of our colporteurs into thinly-inhabited districts, and may have been the seed of everlasting life to individuals who might otherwise have remained without a knowledge of "the truth as it is in Jesus," and the numerous pointed and stirring addresses of our esteemed Bible-loving agents, combined with their prayers and pulpit ministrations, cannot have been without benefit in the more accessible and populous localities; for "thus saith the Lord, My Word that goeth forth out of my mouth shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it"; yet it cannot be denied that our expectations have not as yet been fully realized. This conviction has been painfully forced upon the minds of your Committee by the paucity and meagreness of the subscriptions and donations received from the branches for general purposes, the small amount of stock ordered and sold by them, and their dilatoriness in settling accounts (with a few honorable exceptions).

Under these circumstances, while continuing to cherish sentiments of high respect and profound gratitude towards the Parent Society for her disinterested kindnesses and munificent gifts from year to year, and while not yet recovered from the effects produced on our minds by the depressing and discouraging Report of our esteemed Agent, the Rev. J. McEWEN, received in July last, an important communication reached us from the Secretary of the Upper Canada Bible Society, inviting us to connect ourselves with that body as an auxiliary upon a new and, as it seemed to your Committee, satisfactory basis of union, lately adopted and promulgated by them. The question was introduced to our notice by a letter from the Secretary of that Society, J. S. HOWARD, Esq., dated 24th September, 1864, from which the following paragraphs are copied:—"Our friends in London, C.W., being possessed with the idea that they could work any field allotted to them better and more successfully as an Auxiliary than they could possibly do while remaining in the capacity of a branch, our Directors have accordingly made such a change in our Constitution as that they could work under us in the shape of an Auxiliary to the Upper Canada Bible Society; and I am happy to add that they have not only embraced it, but that they are now entering on their work with fresh vigor and renewed life." He goes on to say:—"For your information, and in the hope that you

likewise would see it to be to your advantage to come under its provision, as a basis of union, I herewith send you and our Ottawa friends copies of the change. You will observe by it that you can draw your supplies either from us directly, or from Earl Street, at cost and charges, including exchange, only that all will be through us, and will be accounted for to us. You will be at liberty to employ any Colporteurs you may think proper, and your field will be visited and worked by our Agents, who will report to you, as well as to us, paying over to you whatever money you may have received from branches on your own account, that of the British and Foreign, the Montreal Society, or the Upper Canada Bible Society. Trusting that you will see the wisdom of embracing this opportunity of coming under this basis of union, and so unite all our Societies in the Charter embracing Upper Canada, I remain," &c.

The letter from which the above are extracts, with the accompanying important document, containing seven resolutions, copied from the minutes of the Upper Canada Bible Society, was submitted to your Committee at the regular meeting held on 10th October, and the consideration of the matter referred to a sub-committee, consisting of Rev. R. V. ROGERS, M.A., one of the Vice-Presidents of the Auxiliary; Rev. K. M. FENWICK, Corresponding Secretary of the Auxiliary to the Religious Tract Society; JOHN MAIR, M.D., Corresponding Secretary, and HENRY SKINNER, M.D., Recording Secretary of the Kingston Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society. This sub-committee unanimously affixed their approving signatures to the document, of which the following is a copy, viz.:—"We beg to report that after having given due attention to the proposal made by the Upper Canada Bible Society, we cordially recommend its adoption by the general Committee, and would suggest that in the event of the Committee taking the same view of the case, notice of the same be sent to the Upper Canada Bible Society, and that steps be taken to secure the consummation of the arrangement at our next Annual Meeting." This Report having been submitted to the general Committee at their regular meeting held in the Depository on 14th November, 1864, was unanimously adopted by it, and a letter intimating the same was despatched to the Upper Canada Bible Society for their information.

The hearty consent of your Committee to the proposition of the Board of Directors of that Society was hailed with joy by them, as shown by the letter of their esteemed Secretary of

date 20th December last, containing the copy of the minute taken upon that occasion, of which the following is a transcript:—"The letters of Dr. MAIR, Secretary of the Kingston Auxiliary Bible Society, having been read, the Board desire to record its great satisfaction at the information which they contain, and cordially welcome the Kingston Auxiliary as one of the new central Auxiliaries of the Upper Canada Bible Society under the Constitution lately adopted by their Board; and the Board requests the Secretary to convey to the Auxiliary this expression of gratitude at the result of its late action in the matter."

What remains to consummate this auspicious alliance (for we trust it may prove good in every way) but to obtain from our worthy constituents their solemn ratification of it? This we respectfully ask for, and hope to obtain this evening, for we think we can see the good hand of our covenant God upon us, leading us to this change, not of "a local habitation," but of "a name" only. True, we must feel acutely the apparent severance of the solemn bond which has so long and harmoniously united us to our august parent, the British and Foreign Bible Society; but, after all, it is only a seeming, not a real severance of that bond, for admitting that we are to be removed by a few links of the golden chain which unites her in tenderest love to each member of her numerous family, by whatever name called, and our correspondence with her in future, instead of being direct, will be conducted through the intervention of one of the most influential and honorable of her daughters, what does it matter if the great and transcendently glorious work of Bible circulation be thus expedited and advanced, and the truth of God, by His blessing, made more availing for the conversion of peerless, immortal souls in the region round about us? And this is what we confidently anticipate. "Union is strength." "In multitude of counsellors is safety."

We shall, in addition to the advantages before mentioned by our connection with the Upper Canada Bible Society, be privileged to send three of our number to rank as ~~Vice-Presidents~~ *Directors* of that corporation and vote at their meetings, and have the benefit of the matured experience of men of superior intellectual powers and renovated hearts to aid us in the management of our field labor, with Agents of high reputation and varied attainments, having the attraction of novelty also, to visit and stir up our branches. What remains for us but earnestly to pray for God's blessing upon the hoped-for union,

and that Christ may be glorified, and His cause signally advanced thereby?

### DEPOSITORY.

This department continues under the skilful and watchful care of Mr EDWARD STACEY, who merits and possesses the entire confidence of your Committee. The issues of the past year have been as follows:—

	Bibles.	Testaments.	Parts.	Total.
Sales at Depository.....	180	433	37	650
Sales to Colporteurs.....	418	454	..	872
Grants .....	55	34	..	89
Branches .....	380	751	..	1131
Ladies' Bible Association.....	5	2	..	7
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Of the value of \$797,48. The issues exceed those of last year by 40. Since the reorganization of the Society in 1830 the number of Bibles, Testaments, and parts, sold and circulated, has been 64,152 copies.

Stock in the Depository at the end of the year:—Bibles 1725, Testaments 1050, parts 121, History of Bible Society 20.

Value of copies of the Scriptures.....	\$1175 17
Value of History of Bible Society.....	40 00

### AGENT'S REPORT.

Your Auxiliary's zealous and devoted agent, the Rev. J. McEWEN, completed his six months' engagement in July last. His labors were persevering and untiring (for his heart was in the work), but we are sorry to say they have been attended but with a small measure of success. We have had the satisfaction of receiving only one Report from our Branches—that from Demorestville. It breathes an excellent spirit, and makes known a contribution of \$14,19. (See appendix.)

### COLPORTAGE.

This is one of the best expedients ever devised for spreading far and wide the precious Word of God as contained in the Sacred Volume. Were it not for Colportage, what would become of the inhabitants of remote and for a large part of the year almost inaccessible settlements, shut out from the busy world of trade and commerce by the shortness of their means and the scantiness of their exchangeable commodities—having barely food and raiment sufficient to still the cries of pinching

cold and hunger—and all-but totally without the means of grace? To such, the kind-hearted, God-fearing Colporteur must be welcome indeed, (and if they have tasted that the Lord is gracious), his wares “more precious than gold,” of which, or of silver, they most probably have none to give in exchange for the Word of God, but which they may receive gratuitously, “without money and without price,” as they can also Him of whom that Word testifies—the Lord Jesus Christ, if they will only promise to read the Sacred Volume, and really give their hearts to Him “whose blood cleanseth us from all sin.” How beneficial a word of earnest, truthful expostulation and entreaty spoken by the Colporteur may be made to the sinner, dead in trespasses and sins, when applied to the heart and conscience by the Holy Spirit—how acceptable to “the mourner in Zion, and the broken-hearted penitent,” the soft sweet accents of fervent believing prayer! How cheering and reassuring to the cast-down Sabbath School teacher, laboring under untold difficulties and perplexities, and to his scholars, requiring something out of the beaten track to stimulate them, the account of similar arduous labors rewarded at length by the reception of little ones into the fold of the Good Shepherd, and the recital of interesting missionary anecdotes confirming the truth that the glad tidings of salvation are free to all, and will save all who trust in Jesus only. “How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation, that saith unto Zion, thy God reigneth.”

We now proceed to give a few illustrative extracts from the Report of our intelligent indefatigable Colporteur, Mr. J. MCGREGOR, who has labored for us for a twelvemonth past, sometimes encouraged and comforted, at other times having many difficulties and obstacles to contend with, but sustained by faith. In his first Report of January, 1864, he thus writes: “A wide sphere of usefulness opened up itself to me in the township of ——. I found the inhabitants already well supplied with the Bible. I met an aged woman, apparently anxious to see Jesus, yet groping in the dark—ignorant of ‘the way, the truth, and the life.’ I endeavored to lead her, and gratefully did she acknowledge the obligation.” Who knows but the day of Christ may reveal that your Society, through its Colporteur, may have become instrumental not only in leaving the word of life there, but in leading a soul to drink out of the fountain of life?” In one Report he says:—“I cannot

boast of having been successful in making good sales, but yet I hope abundantly successful in doing good. Better opportunities I had not for bringing Christian counsel to bear upon the careless and the almost Christians. With many I conversed on personal religion, and many appeared to be concerned while I uplifted my voice and pointed them to 'the Lamb of God.' Many requested me to remember them often at a throne of grace. Beloved brethren, pray for me that the means made use of may be made the 'savour of life unto life.'" In another he exclaims:—"Here, as elsewhere, I had to combat with every form of error, and the usual indifference of men to their soul's salvation. In renewing my visits I found many manifesting in their reception a willingness to make me welcome to a friendship produced by a sense of favors conferred on a former visit."

In several instances Roman Catholics seemed glad to receive copies of the Holy Scriptures, and promised to read them. One of this class, a female, expressed a desire to possess a copy of the Protestant Bible, with a promise that she would read it. This desire was gratified by your Colporteur. On another occasion a Roman Catholic woman, when asked if she had a Bible, said: No; but she would like to have one if she had money—her husband being a laborer and poor could not purchase. After bringing succinctly before her notice the doctrines of Holy Writ, and directing her to the fountain of life, Mr. McGregor gave her a copy of the New Testament, she promising to have it daily read to the family.

Again he says:—"I called upon a goodly number of Catholics, many of them without a Bible. I warned them of the danger of being so, which at times aroused them to make a defence." He showed them how worthless their flowery excuses would be at the Day of Judgment. A few expressed a desire to possess a copy. He complied with their request when satisfied that they were unable to purchase. One of the number accepted a copy very gratefully, promising to read it, and pay for it when the Colporteur returned to that part.

In another place a Roman Catholic family who had no access to their own place of worship asked to have a Bible. A Bible was given, as they consented to read it. If satisfied with the perusal they would retain it, if not, return it to one of the clergymen in the vicinity. "In speaking of Jesus, one Roman Catholic mother to whom I gave a Bible informed me of the pleasure she took in reading the Scripture, and her intention

to keep it as a precious treasure in her possession. Her last words were 'May the Lord bless you,' at the same time holding fast my hand in hers. I had frequent opportunities of directing the minds of the sick to Jesus, and spoke of the way of salvation by Jesus Christ, also of the necessity of repentance and faith. The issue I leave with Him who alone can make the seed scattered fruitful, and cause the light of life to shine unto their souls, so that joy and gladness may be their portion."

Lightness of crops and frequency of destructive fires much reduced their means, and hindered the Colporteur's sales, as appears from such remarks as the following:—"Money is very scarce, and so interferes with my sales very much. The district of country through which I have travelled during this month was severely visited with very destructive fires, such as in many instances burned up grain, fences, and houses, causing the greatest devastation in that part of the country. The season being most remarkably dry, caused the crops to be very light and the prospects very gloomy."

With regard to the young, he says:—"I occasionally addressed Sabbath School children on the subject of early piety. The Superintendents and Sabbath School teachers invited me to favor them with a visit, and if I could give them notice beforehand they would insure a large attendance of parents and children." Again he says:—"Owing to the excitement caused by fires I did not succeed in holding so many prayer meetings as I could have desired. The few we held were well attended. I addressed the young and those who felt interested in their welfare." The old expressed gratitude that the Society favored them with the opportunity of purchasing Bibles with large print, enabling them to peruse the Scriptures, which might otherwise have been a dead letter to them.

He found family worship neglected by many church members, and remonstrated with them upon the serious loss sustained by not honoring God in the family. Many seemed to be ashamed of the course they had been pursuing for the past. Some indicated a desire to engage in this Christian exercise for the future.

The following are his utterances in his last Report at the expiration of his service:—"Having concluded a year of Colportage labor in the section of country you assigned me, I now with all confidence may say that the instances are too numerous to be related in which those residing in rural districts indicated a great appreciation of privileges conferred on them by bring-

ing to their doors the Bible, together with seasonable admonitions given to families who often, through poverty and sickness, were deprived of advantages which others so munificently enjoy, besides the frequent opportunities of combating with wrong in every form."

He was much gratified to meet with two families who took a delight in hearing what he had to say about Jesus—both urgently requested him to be sure and call again. One of these whom he had presented with a Bible on a former occasion said a portion of it was read every day. He called for a sight of it, and with pleasure discovered signs of its being used. A daughter of about eighteen seemed to take much pleasure in reading it. As he read a chapter and expounded the import of its truth, her attention seemed to be so riveted that she forgot everything for the time, and listened only to what God had in His love provided for man's redemption.

The following are the last impressive sentences of his Report. They ought to be well pondered by all:—"In conclusion, I might say with all safety that there is not an agency in our whole country of equal value and importance, apart from the Divinely appointed institutions of the Church, which can be of greater service in leading the careless to acknowledge the truth than that of Colportage."

#### LADIES' BIBLE ASSOCIATION.

The Ladies' Bible Association go on their way faithfully and prosperously. They have contributed one-half of the salary of the Colporteur, and for part of the year maintained a Bible-woman, whose visits have been blessed in conveying religious instruction to the poor, and (it is hoped) in leading some of them to the Saviour.

#### THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

It were vain in the limited space allotted us to attempt the merest outline of the varied labors and successes of our illustrious parent for a single year in her majestic progress as the great disseminator of Divine truth through the world, enabling the rudest and most barbarous, as well as the most refined and civilized nations, "to hear and speak in their own tongues the wonderful works of God." From the Sixtieth Report of the British and Foreign Bible Society we derive the following statistical information:—Of 167 languages or dialects, the distribution, printing, and translation of the Scriptures in

whole or in part has been promoted by the Society. In Great Britain there are Auxiliaries 664, Branches 412, Associations 2,811. Total 3,887. Of these Associations the far greater part are conducted by ladies. In the colonies, other dependencies, &c., there are Auxiliaries 89, Branches 770, Associations 200. Total 1059. Since March 7, 1804, when the Society was originated, the total number of Bibles, New Testaments, and Parts, issued by the Society, has been 45,539,452. During the first year of the Society's organization the issues were 81,157. During the last year reported, ending March, 1864, the issues were 2,495,118.

#### UPPER CANADA BIBLE SOCIETY.

From the Twenty-fourth Report of this flourishing Auxiliary we cull the following facts. Three Colporteurs have been employed during the past year. The issues of Bibles, Testaments, and Parts, have been 26,593. Stock on hand at the end of the year, Bibles 14,563, Testaments 13,276, Books of Psalms 264, Parts 264. *Indian Translation*.—Parts 45, Testaments 50, Books of Psalms 1,611. Value \$10,896.58.

#### MONTREAL AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY.

In the Report of the Montreal Auxiliary a just tribute of respect is paid to the memory of their deceased President, the late Captain J. H. MAITLAND. "He was called to the Committee in 1835. Many years ago he went forth to the destitute parts of the country as a volunteer Colporteur. He served as a Vice-President for twenty years, and as President on the death of Dr. HOLMES. He was remarkable for his catholicity of spirit and sincere love of the Scriptures." Issues of Bibles for the year 1863, 1,433; Testaments, 6,869; portions, 611; total, 14,913; being an excess of 1,300 above any former year. Three Bible-women have been employed by the Ladies' Bible Association.

#### OTTAWA AND QUEBEC AUXILIARIES.

These sister institutions continue to prosecute their labors with zeal and success, aided by our generous parent.

#### CONCLUSION.

Your Committee would close their remarks in the soul-stirring language with which their illustrious parent concludes her Sixtieth Report, hoping that it may be heartily responded

to by all present :—"Who, then, is willing this day to consecrate his services anew unto the Lord? We meet once more to recount the dealings of God's providence and grace, in connection with the spread of His truth throughout the world. Let it be in no formal spirit, with no flagging zeal, with no failing faith; but rather, as we see the enemies of the Lord becoming more numerous and daring in their assaults, and the ramparts of Divine truth more fiercely assailed, let us encourage each other in the Lord to be valiant for the truth, and with one heart and one voice take up the language of Nehemiah and say, 'The God of Heaven will prosper us, therefore we his servants will arise and build.'"

## APPENDIX.

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### REPORT OF THE DEMORESTVILLE BRANCH OF THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY, IN CONNECTION WITH THE KINGSTON AUXILIARY SOCIETY, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 26TH, 1864.

The time has arrived that your Committee report the proceedings of the past year in connection with the Society. We regret that a greater degree of energy has not been felt, and that we have not been more zealous in the great object of the Society. When we contemplate the great work that has been wrought through the instrumentality of the Bible Society in general, and when we let our minds expand over the world, we feel that our movements in this line cannot be too energetic. We have been successful in getting a small sum of money together, although very small compared with the blessings we enjoy, temporal and spiritual. The failing of the crops in this county, as well as other counties, has had its effects upon our work. I have no doubt but more than three times the amount might have been collected if the same amount of money had been in circulation as in former years; but we hope that the small amount that we have collected together may be expended in such a way that it may be as useful in circulating the Word of God as three times the amount in former years.

The following is a statement of the proceedings of the year ending 1864 —

Collected in Demorestville.....	\$8 49
Collected from Big Island.....	5 70
	\$14 19

Names of Office-bearers,  
 President—REV. THOMAS COBB.  
 Vice-President—LOREN GILLETT.  
 Secretary—J. R. EATON.  
 Treasurer—L. GILLETT.  
 Depository—ROBERT McDOWALL.

Committee.  
 JAMES G. WRIGHT,  
 SAMUEL SMITH,  
 DAVID VANBLARICUM,  
 WILLIAM CROW,  
 J. H. ROBLIN.

We have money in the hands of the Depository, but we cannot get it at present.

J. R. EATON,  
 Secretary.

ISSUES OF BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 7TH, 1865.

Date.	Ladies' Bible Associ'n		Colporteur.		Branches.		Grants.		Sales at Depository			Total Issues.			Total value.	
	B.	T.	B.	T.	B.	T.	B.	T.	B.	T.	P.	B.	T.	P.	\$	c.
To the 7th January, 1865.....	5	2	418	454	380	751	55	34	180	433	37	1038	1674	37	797	48

STOCK IN THE DEPOSITORY ON THE 16TH JANUARY, 1865.

Date.	Bibles.	Test's.	Parts.	Total copies.	Total \$	Value. c.
January 16th, 1865.	1725	1050	121	2896	1175	17
20 Sets of History of Bible Society.....					40	00
Total value.....					\$1215	17

**OFFICERS OF THE BRANCH SOCIETIES**  
 CONNECTED WITH THE AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY OF KINGSTON,  
 1864.

NAME.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY.	TREASURER.	DEPOSITARY.
Amherst Island	W. Perceval.			
Bath.....	W. F. Peterson.	J. B. McGuin...	J. G. Ross.....	J. G. Ross.
Bloomfield...	Corn. Bowman..	Caleb Williams.	Case Williams..	Philip Clark
Bridgewater..	Robert Nelson..	Samuel Crawford	James Harrison.	Jas. Harrison
*Big Creek ...	Geo. Smith ....	James Close....	James Close.	
Ballynahinch..	Robert Gibson..	L. W. Harker ..	L. W. Harker.	
Canifton.....	Jonas Caniff ...	R. Osborne.....	Timothy Farnolm	N. Lake.
Consecon.....	Rev. Mr. Brown.	A. Marsh .....		A. Marsh.
Centreville ...	Rev. Mr. Cobb..	Wm. Vroman...	J. N. Lapum....	J. N. Lapum
Demorestville..	Rev. Mr. Carr ..	J. R. Eaton ....	Loran Gillett...	R. McDowal.
Gananoque....	Rev. H. Gordon.	W. Bell.		
Harrowsmith..	S. Stewart.			
Lonsdale.....	Wm. Tullock...	R. Wildman....	R. Wildman.	
Madoc.....	V. Seymour ....	E. D. O. Flynn...	E. D. O. Flynn...	Mr. Brown.
Melrose.....	Rev. J. Turnbull	Geo. Duncan...	Geo. Duncan.	
Milford.....	Rev. Mr. Potter.	N. Dodge.....	N. Dodge.....	Cook & Ross
Newburgh.....	Geo. Eakin ...	Allen Caton....	A. Caton .....	A. Caton.
Napanee.....	J. Stevenson ...	Z. Beeman.....		J. Huffman.
Picton.....	J. P. Roblin....		James Gray....	Mrs. Taylor.
Roblin.....	Ezra Spencer...	J. Hughes.....	Jas. McConnell.	
Roslin.....	Dr. Wilson.....	P. Duncan.....	W. Hudson ....	W. Gilroy.
*Selby.....	W. Beeman ....	O. D. Sweet....		O. D. Sweet.
Shannonville..	Rev. A. Miller.		H. Holden .....	H. Holden.
Stirling.....	Dr. Boulter.			
Tamworth....	D. Cameron....	R. Wheeler ....	R. Neely.....	J. Aylesworth
*Trenton.....	W. Shea.....	James Kirkland.	Thomas Jeffs.	
Tweed.....	Rev. J. Whitlock	W. Wright.....	James Reid ....	W. Whyte.
Wellington...				W. Wright.
Wilton.....	Rev. E. Ward ..	S. Warner.		
Wolfe Island..	D. D. Calvin ...	Rev. G. Porteous	G. Malone .....	
Waterloo.				

Those marked with an asterisk are newly formed.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS,**  
COLLECTED BY MR. DUNOON IN CITY AND SUBURBS, 1864.

A. Campbell.....	\$5 00	Thomas Hendry.....	\$2 00
Thomas Kirkpatrick.....	5 00	Peter Campbell.....	2 00
John Paton.....	5 00	John Shaw.....	1 00
John Carruthers.....	5 00	Wm. Rudston.....	1 00
Rev. W. M. Inglis.....	5 00	P. P. Harris.....	2 00
Wm. Ferguson.....	5 00	Dr. John R. Dickson.....	2 00
James Riddell.....	3 00	Mrs. Hendry.....	1 00
John Watkins.....	5 00	John Noon.....	1 00
Mrs. Hamilton.....	4 00	Mr. Bell.....	1 00
Edwin Chown.....	4 00	A. Macalister.....	2 00
Mrs. Mowat.....	5 00	S. Harper.....	1 00
J. B. Mowat.....	5 00	R. M. Rose.....	1 00
E. H. Hardy.....	4 00	A. Friend.....	1 00
James Macnee.....	5 00	Geo. Davidson.....	2 00
C. Miller.....	5 00	Donald McKay.....	1 00
Mrs. Macaulay.....	5 00	Geo. L. Mowat.....	2 00
Mrs. Cartwright.....	4 00	William Munro.....	1 00
Henry Cunningham.....	4 00	Walter P. Lacey.....	1 00
Col. Burrows, R.A.....	4 00	Robert McIntyre.....	1 00
Geo. Robertson & Son.....	4 00	John Fraser.....	1 00
C. S. Ross.....	5 00	J. Davis.....	1 00
Rev. John Gemley.....	1 50	Henry Foot.....	0 50
M. Sweetnam.....	1 50	B. W. Day.....	1 00
Rev. R. V. Rogers.....	1 00	S. Chown.....	1 50
Rev. K. M. Fenwick.....	1 50	Arthur Chown.....	2 00
Mrs. McLeod.....	5 00	James Moore.....	1 00
Neil McLeod.....	2 00	R. Waddell.....	1 00
Rev. F. W. Dobbs.....	2 00	Jas. Johnston.....	1 00
Rev. W. Snodgrass.....	3 00	Geo. M. Wilkinson.....	1 00
Wm. Anglin.....	1 00	John A. Benn.....	0 50
Lieut.-Col. Moffatt.....	5 00	Robt. Carnovsky.....	0 50
F. Sandys Dugmore.....	2 00	George Chown.....	1 00
Mrs. Askew.....	3 00	William Mahood.....	1 00
Mrs. Macpherson.....	1 00	Jas. Richmond.....	2 00
S. Muckleston.....	1 00	Rev. P. Gray.....	1 00
Mrs. Logie.....	2 50	Dr. Yates.....	2 00
E. Stacey.....	1 00	R. McCammon.....	1 00
J. Rowlands.....	1 00	Cash.....	1 00
O. S. Strange.....	2 00	Wm. Shannon.....	1 00
J. Bajus.....	1 00	E. H. P.....	1 00
J. Shannon.....	1 00	Edward Law.....	0 50
Dr. M. Lavell.....	2 00	Edwin Rose.....	0 50
John McMillan.....	1 00	W. Kirk.....	0 50

James Hope.....	\$0 50	J. P. Gildersleeve.....	\$1 00
A. Livingston.....	0 50	Prof. John C. Murray.....	3 00
G. S. H.....	1 00	Timothy.....	0 50
M. Morrison.....	0 50	K. B. & D.....	1 00
R. White.....	0 50	Wm. Mudie.....	0 50
Rev. J. A. Mulock.....	1 00	Mrs. Cameron.....	1 00
A. Ross.....	1 00	A Friend.....	0 50
H. Ross.....	0 50	Prof. Jas. Williamson.....	2 00
Geo. Fenwick.....	2 00	Mrs. Sexton.....	0 50
W. Melver.....	1 00	A Friend.....	0 25
Donald Rae.....	0 50	Friend.....	0 12
B. M.....	0 25	do.....	0 10
A Friend.....	0 25	C. W. Grange.....	1 00
A Friend, Wm. Stuart.....	0 25	John Mair.....	1 00
Sarah Benson.....	0 50	W. J. Dick.....	1 00
H. Skinner.....	1 00	B. M. Britton.....	1 00
Wm. Macey.....	0 50	John Creighton.....	1 00
Robert McFaul.....	0 50	Mrs. McGregor.....	1 00
A Friend.....	0 10	A. Gunn.....	2 00
Johnston Orr.....	0 50	Cash.....	0 50
George Hardy.....	1 00		
Mrs. James Couper.....	1 00		
			<u>\$222 32</u>

## PAID INTO DEPOSITORY.

Mr. W. P. Lacey.....	\$1 00		
W. Evans.....	2 00		
Rev. W. Herridge.....	1 00		
Mrs. Machar.....	2 00		
Miss Guy, collected.....	1 00		
			<u>\$7 00</u>
			<u>\$229 32</u>

## Kingston Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society, in account with John Paton, Treasurer.

DR.	CR.
To Expenses of Annual Meeting, Jan. 1864 .. .. .	
“ Colportage expenses .. .. .	\$ 4 88
“ Expenses of Rev. Mr. Wardrope, delegate from Ottawa .. .. .	20 25
“ Rev. J. McEwen, salary as Agent .. .. .	8 00
“ J. McGregor, proportion of salary as Colporteur .. .. .	250 00
“ Do. do. travelling expenses .. .. .	100 00
“ E. Stacey, Depositary, proportion of salary .. .. .	86 03
“ Premium of Insurance on \$1500, in Royal .. .. .	226 20
“ Proportion of taxes for 1864 .. .. .	11 87
“ Printing Annual Reports, Circulars, &c. .. .. .	26 00
“ Commission paid Mr. Dunoon on subscriptions collected .. .. .	48 00
“ Remitted and paid Parent Society on purchase account, £150 stg .. .. .	20 00
“ Fuel, light, stationery, freight of books, postage, etc. .. .. .	731 66
“ Balance in Treasurer's hands at credit of Society .. .. .	43 33
	131 62
<u>\$1707 84</u>	
	By Balance from last year's accounts .. .. .
	“ Cash receipts of Depository, for Bibles and Testaments sold, .. .. .
	“ Collected in Kingston and vicinity .. .. .
	“ Do. by Rev. J. McEwen, agent. .. .. .
	“ Donations from Melrose Branch .. .. .
	Gananoque do. (Presby. Church) .. .. .
	Do. do. (Wesley. do. ) .. .. .
	Bath do. .. .. .
	Wolfe and Garden Island Branch .. .. .
	Do. do. .. .. .
	Amherst Island do. .. .. .
	Newburgh do. .. .. .
	Shannonville do. .. .. .
	“ Payments on purchase accounts— .. .. .
	From Wolfe Island Branch .. .. .
	Amherst Island do. .. .. .
	Newburgh do. .. .. .
	Stirling do. .. .. .
	Picton do. .. .. .
	Bloomfield do. .. .. .
	Portsmouth Depot .. .. .
	Ladies' Bible Association .. .. .
	“ Bibles and Testaments sold by J. McGregor, Colporteur .. .. .
	“ Collection at Annual Meeting, Jan. 1864 .. .. .
	“ Donations in Collecting Box (1863-4) .. .. .
	“ Grant from Parent Society, £100 stg. .. .. .
	“ Grant from Ladies' Auxiliary Society, being one-half expense .. .. .
	of Colporteur .. .. .
	<u>\$1707 84</u>
	“ Balance carried down .. .. .
	<u>\$131 62</u>

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Audited and found correct, Kingston, 14th Jan. 1865. D. MILLAR, Lt. and Adj. R.C.R. JOHN PATON, Treasurer.  
WM. FERGUSON.

According to the Treasurer's account, the expenses of the Society may be placed under these three distinct heads:—1. COST OF BIBLES.—The amount paid during the year is \$731.66. This sum, however, does not form any part of the current expenses, as the books when sold realize their cost. 2. AGENCY AND COLPORTAGE.—The first of these is designed to establish Branches; the second, to carry the Bible to destitute parts of the land—truly Missionary work in the highest sense. The cost of these has been \$456.28. 3. THE ACTUAL CURRENT EXPENSES—\$388.28.

## ISSUES OF COPIES OF THE SCRIPTURES.

The Kingston Auxiliary was primarily organized in 1820. For several years it was quite extinct, but in 1830 it was again formed. For the first period it is impossible to supply a table of issues. Since its revival in 1830 its issues have been as follows:—

	Bibles.	Test's.	Total.	Value.
From Feb. 26, 1830, to 4th Jan., 1831..	348	583	931	
" Jan. 4, 1831, " 1st June, 1832..	283	354	637	
" June 1, 1832, " " 1833..	120	243	393	
" " 1833, " " 1834..	64	120	184	
" " 1834, " " 1835..	81	197	278	
" " 1835, " " 1836..	105	235	340	
" " 1836, " " 1837..	128	267	395	
" " 1837, " " 1838..	112	62	174	
" " 1838, " " 1839..	161	97	258	
" " 1839, " " 1840..	88	93	181	
" " 1840, " 5th Dec., 1841..	157	136	293	
" Dec. 5, 1841, " 5th Jan., 1842..	317	538	855	
" Jan. 5, 1842, " May, 1849..	681	200	881	
" May, 1849, " May, 1850..	506	629	1135	£165 2 1½
" May, 1850, " Jan., 1851..	570	553	1123	160 13 7½
" Jan'y, 1851, " January, 1852..	1666	1919	3585	283 10 3
" " 1852, " " 1853..	3774	4270	8044	553 9 4
" " 1853, " " 1854..	2607	3746	6353	576 0 5
" " 1854, " " 1855..	1470	1939	3409	470 8 6
" " 1855, " " 1856..	1641	2409	4050	298 13 8
" " 1856, " " 1857..	1796	2036	3832	445 15 5
" " 1857, " " 1858..	2540	2717	5257	359 19 3
" " 1858, " " 1859..	1998	2370	4368	249 5 10
" " 1859, " " 1860..	1272	1653	2925	350 4 3½
" " 1860, " " 1861..	1345	1888	3333	212 13 4
" " 1861, " " 1862..	1431	1882	3313	218 8 0
" " 1862, " " 1863..	1024	1238	2262	192 3 1
" " 1863, " " 1864..	1042	1602	2644	181 14 6
" " 1864, " " 1865..	1038	1674	2712	199 7 5
Total.....	28,465	35,650	63,938	
Parts.....			214	

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## Kingston Auxiliary Bible Society.

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### NOTICES.

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All Branch Societies and Depositories are particularly requested to make out an Annual Report, embracing all the principal events or occurrences of the past year, and to send the same to the Secretary, at Kingston, on or before the 31st December, in order that there may be time to prepare the Annual Report, which it is desirable should embrace the fullest information of every part of the Society's work. A list of office-bearers and subscribers should also be sent.

It is also requested that when remittances are made by Branch Societies it be distinctly stated whether they are to be placed to the Purchase Account or as a Free Contribution.

It is further particularly requested that all Branch Societies and Depositories will effect an insurance on their stock of books.