

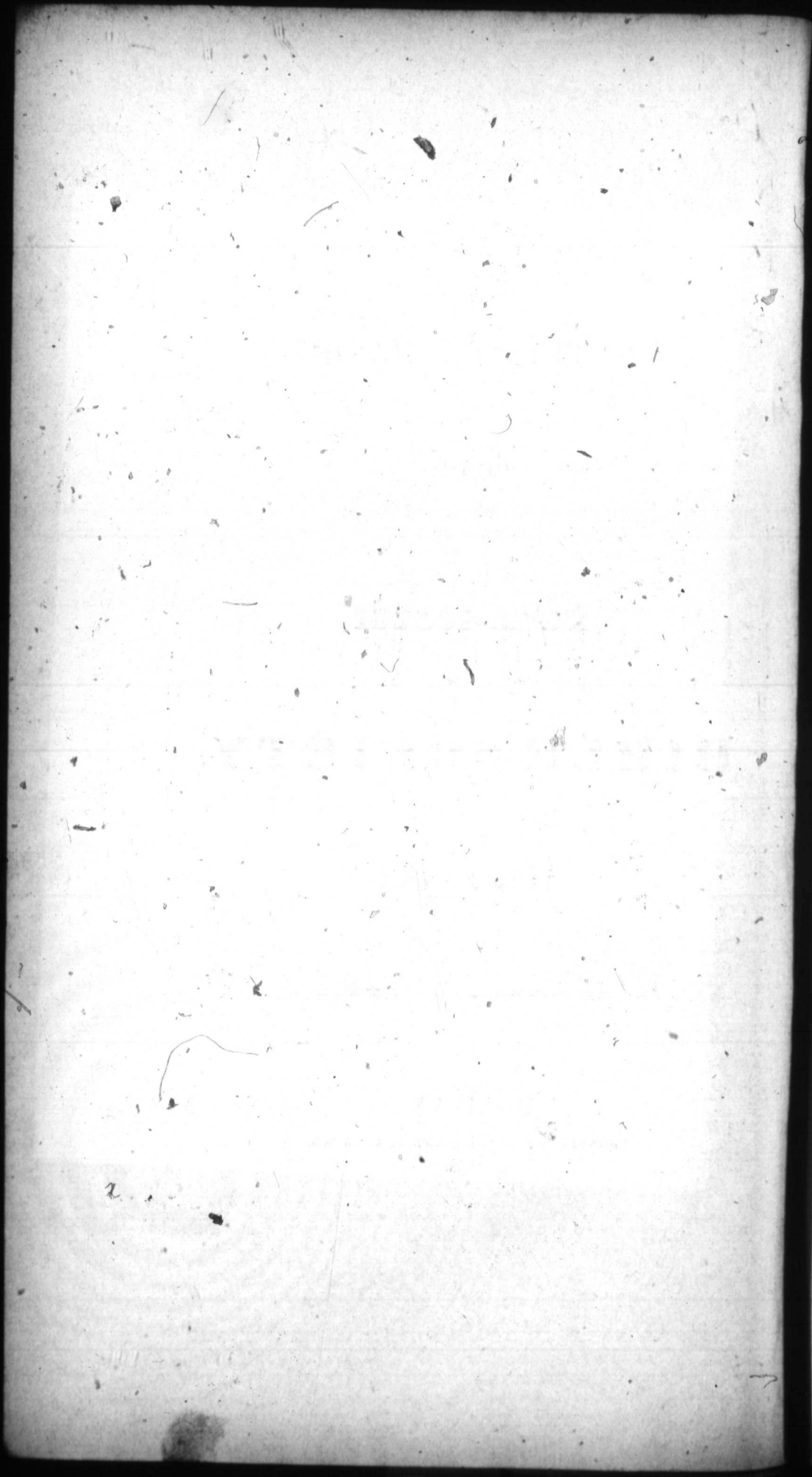
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SIXTEENTH REPORT  
OF THE  
NOVA-SCOTIA  
BIBLE SOCIETY.

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LAWS AND REGULATIONS  
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- I. This Society shall be called **THE BIBLE SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA, AND ITS DEPENDENCIES**; the object of which shall be the same as that of the British and Foreign Bible Society, viz:—To encourage the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment, and to furnish copies of Scriptures *gratis* to the indigent, and at reduced prices to those requiring them.
- II. The business of this Society shall be conducted by a **President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary and Committee.**
- III. In order to give effect to the design of this Institution, benefactions and subscriptions shall be solicited, and books opened for receiving the names of benefactors and subscribers.
- IV. Every person contributing annually **Ten Shillings** at one time, or a donation of **Ten Pounds**, shall be considered a **Member** of 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.

# NOVA-SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY.

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*At the Sixteenth Anniversary of the Nova-Scotia Auxiliary Bible Society,  
held at the Rooms of the Mechanics' Institute in Dalhousie College,  
Halifax, on the evening of Tuesday the 17th of April, 1837.*

The Meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. John Scott.

The Hon. H. H. Cogswell, Vice President of the Society, took the Chair.

The Report of the Society was read by the Secretary, whereupon, on motion of the Rev. W. Cogswell, seconded by M. G. Black, Esq. it was

1. *Resolved*, That the Report be received and published under the direction of the Committee.

On motion of the Rev. C. Churchill, seconded by the Hon. Joseph Allison, V. P.

2. *Resolved*, That the successes which have attended the operations of the Parent Society demand our most grateful acknowledgments, and while this meeting discovers the readiness with which it recognizes the assistance rendered by the different Auxiliary and Branch Societies it pledges itself to unite with the same in earnest endeavours for the general diffusion of the Word of God and in fervent supplications for the Divine blessing.

On motion of the Hon. J. W. Johnston, seconded by Hugh Bell, Esq.

3. *Resolved*, That while this meeting feels anxious for the zealous co-operation of the different Branch Societies and associations in the Province, it feels desirous that a more active spirit of zeal should be manifested by them in their work of love, and hereby invites them to come forward with greater energy for the promotion of the general interests of the society.

On motion of Hugh Bell, Esq., seconded by George N. Russell, Esq.

4. *Resolved*, That this meeting regards the operations of the sub-committee appointed in this Town at the last meeting to solicit extended contributions, with the greatest satisfaction, and hopes that the additional facilities opened for admission to membership with the society will still continue to exercise a beneficial effect upon the funds of the society.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Smith, seconded by S. P. Fairbanks, Esq.

5. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Meeting be given to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, as President of the Society; and to the Vice Presidents and officers of the same who are respectfully requested to continue their services; and that the following gentlemen, viz: M. B. Almon, Esq., Hugh Bell, Esq., Rev. E. A. Crawley, David Hare, Esq., Dr. Johnston, Hon. J. W. Johnston, Rev. John Martin, Rev. James Morrison, Rev. John Scott, G. N. Russell, Esq., James N. Shannon, Esq., Rev. R. F. Uniacke, Rev. W. Cogswell, W. Pryor, Jr. Esq., Rev. James Mackintosh, Rev. J. Marshall, Rev. C. Churchill, Lieut. Col. McGregor, Henry Pryor, Esq., Mr. John H. Anderson, and Mr. A. McKinlay constitute the committee for the following year with power to add to their number.

A Collection was then taken, which amounted to £13 17s 6d, and the Meeting was concluded, by singing the Doxology.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise him all creatures here below,  
Praise him above ye Heavenly Host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## REPORT.

THE Committee of the Nova-Scotia Auxiliary Bible Society are again permitted in the dispensations of a gracious Providence to meet the friends of the institution at the close of another year of their labours, and although they have no great or striking results to detail of their past endeavours, yet they feel deeply grateful for the privilege of once more bearing testimony of their regard for the interests of the great cause in which they are engaged.

Sincerely attached to the excellent and truly Catholic principles upon which the Bible Society was first established and has been maintained, they rejoice that the Sovereign Dispenser of events, has continued to prosper its labours, and is daily through its instrumentality manifesting the triumphs of his grace over sin and ignorance in almost every part of the earth; and altho' the day of the final and universal prevalence of Gospel light may be still far distant, they cannot but view the means proposed in connection with the objects of this Society, to bring about so blessed a consummation, as peculiarly deserving the earnest prayers and combined efforts of every one who values the welfare of the souls of men.

Your committee have still to regret the apparent want of zeal that exists in several of the branches of this Society in various parts of the Province, and particularly of such among them as were formerly remarkable for the most laudable and successful exertions in contributing to the funds

and forwarding the objects of the Society; and they are still led to hope that their relaxation in the good work is but temporary, and that they will ere long resume their wonted activity and strengthen and encourage us in our work of holy benevolence.

Your committee however, derive satisfaction from the consideration that their exertions to increase the means of the Society have been more than usually successful in the capital. In the month of September last, a sub-committee was appointed for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions and donations throughout the Town, and upwards of forty pounds has been paid in to the Treasurer by the sub-committee as the result of their labours.

One of our most useful Auxiliaries for the past year has been the St. Matthew's Church Ladies Bible Association, in Halifax. This association was formed in April, 1837. During the past year 167 names have been entered on their subscription list. The amount of subscriptions for the year has been £30 19s 5d. The committee of the Association have expended the sum of twenty pounds and upwards in the purchase of Bibles and Testaments at the Depository of this Society, of which five Bibles and two testaments have been disposed of at cost prices. Twenty-two Bibles and six Testaments at reduced prices to poor persons, subscribing a small sum weekly for their purchase, and nine Bibles and six Testaments have been given gratuitously. These copies of the Scriptures, under the prudent direction of the committee we cannot doubt have been faithfully and judiciously disposed of. They have a balance now in hand of £13 19s 3d, arising from subscriptions and sale of Books.

As it appeared to be of the utmost importance that somewhat of the original spirit of zeal and liberality which formerly actuated so many of our Branch Societies, should if

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possible be revived, and the eharacter of the institution be in some measure redeemed from the charge of supineness, and indifference to the sacred cause in which we are all mutually engaged, Your committee during the past year, at the suggestion of one of their members, determined on publishing a brief review of the origin, objects and progress of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and circulating the same throughout the Town, and other parts of the Province. A committee was accordingly appointed to carry such resolution into effect, and 1200 copies of a tract comprising the above information have been printed and circulated accordingly; and altho' as yet sufficient time has not elapsed to ascertain to any great extent the benefits that may result from the measure, yet they have much satisfaction in being able to state that in one instance it has been attended with the most satisfactory consequences, and they cannot doubt but that it will exert a salutary influence over the community in different parts of the country, and that the fruits will be realized before the return of our next anniversary.

In a letter just received from the Rev. William Chipman, an old and tried friend of the Bible cause, he states that for some time past measures had been in contemplation in that district to endeavour to revive the interests of the Society, but that immediately after receiving the above publication efficient means were taken for its organization throughout Cornwallis, and that three highly interesting meetings were held in different parts of the township, in the months of January, February, and March, when a President and proper officers were appointed and the sum of £34 was subscribed in aid of the objects of the institution.

It affords the committee satisfaction to state that notwithstanding the lukewarmness that prevails to too great an extent, some societies still continue to manifest their in-

terest in the cause, and although we have not been favoured with the details of their proceedings, they have not omitted to forward their usual contributions.

The Guysborough Ladies Association still true to their early pledges, and to the consistency that has ever as yet marked their conduct in promoting the diffusion of God's word, have paid in since the last meeting of the society their subscriptions for the years 1836 and 1837, amounting to £15 9s 11d. We have often mentioned this Society as an example of perseverance in well doing according to their means, and we rejoice to be able to do so on the present occasion.

From the Cumberland Society a small remittance has been received.

The Economy Branch Society has forwarded the sum of £6 10s—an amount which betokens a favorable proof of the zeal of the Society as the sphere of their labours is by no means extensive.

There has also been received the sum of £3 5s from the Onslow Benevolent Society, an Association having other objects besides the distribution of the Scriptures, but which has of late contributed yearly to our funds.

The proceedings of the committee in Halifax during the past year in the distribution of the Scriptures are as follows: Fifty-two copies have been bestowed gratis on sundry individuals in cases where it has been judged that a proper use would be made of them.

To Sunday Schools in various parts of the Province 29 Bibles and 132 Testaments have been issued from the Depository, and your committee feel confident, that in no way can the word of life be disseminated with better effect than by placing it in the hands of Sunday scholars, where

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its holy instructions are so frequently enforced by the personal and affectionate expositions of their teachers. Had the earliest friends and supporters of this excellent institution, who have long since gone to the reward of their labors, in its first origin, anticipated this extensive and daily increasing source of moral as well as spiritual benefit to future generations, in the use of the sacred volume, they would doubtless have felt it a powerful additional motive for exertion, and have looked with still increased confidence for a blessing on their undertaking.

There has been issued for the supply of Branch Societies and Associations in the Country, and to agents in places where no Societies exist, 176 Bibles and 299 Testaments, and 95 Bibles and 125 Testaments, have been sold at cost and reduced prices, making altogether issued from the Depository during the past year 324 Bibles and 584 Testaments.

The amount received by the Treasurer for Scriptures sold from the Depository is £38 5s 6d—and there has been received from subscribers to the Society in Halifax, including the amount obtained by the sub-committee as above stated the sum of £66 9s 5d.

The balance now in hand for remittance to the Parent Society, arising from contributions and sale of Scriptures is £191 1s 7d.

Your committee have received during the year from the Parent Society 200 Bibles and 200 Testaments of various types and sizes, and there are now on hand 296 Bibles and 522 Testaments.

By the report of the Montreal Bible Society which we have just received, it appears that notwithstanding the troubles and commotions that have prevailed in that Province, much interest has been excited at the Annual Meet-

ing on the fifth of February in favor of the Bible cause. A resolution had been unanimously passed by the committee of the Society, "That they would within the shortest practicable period in reliance on God, and in co-operation with other christians, place a copy of the Bible by sale or gift in every family in the Province willing to purchase or receive it." The most liberal subscriptions had been made by a number of individuals to carry this resolution into effect.

We cannot too highly praise or value the excellent spirit that has prompted our Sister Society, even amid the din of arms, and scenes of civil embarrassment and distress, to afford such striking evidence of their love for their Country, and for the souls of their fellow subjects, by making so noble an effort to place in their hands that precious gift by means of which they may be rendered not only, obedient subjects to the laws and government of their country, but fellow citizens of the saints and of the household of God. Were such a spirit more generally to prevail, we might be allowed to entertain the glorious hope, that wars and desolations would shortly cease, and that the promised period was drawing near, when the kingdoms of this world should become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ.

It is a subject of never ceasing gratification and thankfulness when we turn our thoughts to the operations of the Parent Society to consider the blessed results that still continue to follow its exertions in almost every region of the globe. Who indeed shall estimate the amount of good to the human race, that has been, and yet will be ministered to them from the dissemination over the face of the whole earth, in almost every language and dialect uttered by the tongue of man, of upwards of ten millions of copies of the word of God, within the thirty three years of the existence of the Society. Who shall calculate or even conjecture

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the number of immortal spirits that have been instructed, enlightened, saved through the immediate means of this great institution.

The sphere of labour of the British and Foreign Bible Society has been yearly increasing notwithstanding some fields have been from time to time unexpectedly closed against the introduction of the Scriptures, and very many others have been occupied by societies which have taken their origin from this great parent stock.

The nett receipts of the Society stated in their last report were the largest ever yet known, being £108,740, and their expenditures £103,171. The number of copies of the Scriptures issued from the Depot, at home and abroad were 541,843 during the year.

The unremitting exertions of numerous and active agents of the society are continually in operation to spread abroad the pure word of life as well as in countries with little else to distinguish them than the bare title of Christian, as in those where the Saviour's name has been hitherto wholly unknown.

Your committee would close the brief review which they have been enabled to afford of the past year, with an earnest appeal to the friends of the Society, to come forward and sustain its interests in contributing of their means, and by their united efforts towards the triumph of a cause which, in every possible view is so nearly connected with the happiness of our race—which has for its object “on earth peace, and good will toward men,” and hereafter “immortality and eternal life.”

HALIFAX, 9th APRIL, 1838.

## APPENDIX.

### TENTH REPORT OF THE GUYSBOROUGH LADIES BIBLE ASSOCIATION,—1837.

MANY excellent things have been spoken of charity, and it cannot be doubted, that to "do good and communicate" in temporal things, to the relief of our suffering fellow mortals, to deal our bread to the hungry, and impart clothing to the naked, is both a duty and sacrifice, well pleasing and acceptable, unto God: for it is written—"whoso hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

Admitting this, what motives may not be urged; with reference to that superior benevolence, which stretching itself forth, from time into eternity, embraces in the abundant supplies which it offers, all the *spiritual* wants of man; wants that must run parallel with endless duration! that are connected with Heaven or Hell; that has for its object the remedying of sorrows and evils, which, if not remedied here, can never be remedied never alleviated. Seeing that man is a probationer for eternity, and that that which is left undone by him now, must remain undone forever; as on the termination of his brief span—he plunges at once irretrievably into endless misery—or enters on the immediate possession of everlasting bliss.

Surely it may be termed the truest charity, the most powerful motive which can actuate the heart of man to hasten to impart that blessed boon (the Bible) which carries with it an antidote to every evil. And while it testifies of man, as by nature "dead in trespasses and sin"—and under the wrath of God, offers life and salvation, freely to all without money and without price," through the merits of a Redeemer; and gives also here, the earnest of that inheritance which is incorruptible—undefiled, and that fadeth not away." Under these impressions your committee hesitate not in saying, they feel grateful to God in having their names still associated with the cause of the Bible Society; and in being still permitted to mingle with its energies—because they believe this institution to be emphatically such charity. They consider it as going forward, in the spirit of such benevolence. They view it as put in operation by the divine hand; and what in fulfilment of prophetic declaration, "This gospel of the kingdom shall first be preached to all the world for a witness into all nations, and then shall the end come." It is a special agent in the spread and extension of the Redeemer's kingdom, of whom it is written—"He shall have dominion also, from sea to sea, and from the

river unto the ends of the earth"—"yea, all Kings shall fall down before him, all nations shall worship him."

We have to regret the loss of but one member the past year, and the pleasure to state, that application for the sacred volume still continues. Fourteen copies of the scriptures have been sold at prime cost; one Bible at reduced price, one ditto bestowed gratuitously, leaving on hand twenty nine Testaments and three large Bibles. Subscriptions and donations, with sale of Bibles have amounted to £8 1s 10d. Surely it is our highest privilege to give our hearts as well as put our hands to such a work as this. If any enquire, but how are we to put our hands to the work? Your committee would reply—spiritual as the blessings are, conveyed through the medium of the Bible Society, and dependent as this society is on God above for the success of its sacred mission, yet by it we discern, that our fellow mortals are sitting in darkness, and the shades of death. "This word declares it to be, the good will of heaven that all men should be saved, and come to the knowledge of the truth." In order to this, salvation has been proclaimed from Heaven; and man through the medium of the Gospel, has been commissioned to reiterate the glad tidings, even to earth's remotest bounds. What can be more obvious then, than that on man as an accountable being in possession of the records of eternal truth, rests the vast responsibility of dispensing the Bible to our fellow man; of assisting to speed the glad tidings of salvation to the lost; of hastening to facilitate by all the pecuniary aid in our power, the eternal blessings of pardon to the penitent, conveyed through the Gospel and designed for "every people, and nation, and kindred and tongue." In the common affairs of life, there seems to be no doubt, that means are needful, in order to the accomplishment of desired or expected ends; and we hesitate not to apply those means, or relinquish on every reasonable ground, anticipation of the end. What is needful then, in the present and more important case is, that we evince the same consistency of conduct; with this difference, allowing eternal things, in our estimation to outweigh temporal; and deeply feeling our awful responsibility as individuals; (not with reference to the end) but only in the use of the means. We are required to place the Bible in the hands of those who are destitute of it. To put forth our hand, according to the ability God giveth us—according to the bounty with which his goodness hath been pleased to entrust us, and to appropriate a portion of the same in his cause, in aiding the distribution of "that word by which we shall be judged at the last day." The word of God—"without note or comment"—That is (on which no opinion of man is engrafted, but leaving it to the entire operation of the Holy Ghost on the heart of every individual to give an understanding of the same. And this simplicity of intention in the British and Foreign Bible Society, your committee cannot but view, as recommending itself to every branch of the Christian Church, by whatsoever name they may be called, as well as to every benevolent mind, with an assurance of the most favourable reception, the most cordial co-operation. It remains only therefore to urge on all; as your committee would solemnly enjoin on themselves—"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might," for it is only now; only here, that we

can do good : for there is neither wisdom, nor work, nor device in the grave whither thou goest." And how solemn is the thought and assurance that all who ever lived, or moved, as well as all who now live and move on this terraqueous globe, who now occupy their day of probation, shall be made eventually to hear and obey the tremendous summons, "awake ye dead and come to judgement." And then in that day, for any who have been stewards—intrusted with the divine bounty to be disposed of according to the master's will, and to be appropriated to his service and glory, to be found in possession of the same, or having appropriated the same to their own use ; or squandered it on other objects than was the will of God ; how awful will be their accountability—how terrible their punishment. Surely those very possessions—"Their silver and their gold, which they have heaped together, and thus kept back," as it were, by fraud from the Almighty, will be abhorred by themselves ; they shall detest their own folly—it shall then appear, a swift witness against them, as it must prove their own destruction ; whereas on the contrary, it might have been, through a proper use, and due consecration to God in this life, transformed into a blessing: such persons who have not rendered "unto God the things that are Gods"—we may justly conclude as calling on the rocks and on the mountains to cover them, and hide them from the presence of him who sitteth upon the throne, and is come to be their judge. But alas! we have no scripture ground for believing, such a refuge will be found in that day ! That we may be preserved therefore from such awful condemnation, let us feel our responsibility with reference to what is in the power of our hand to do ; and let us bestow willingly ; " not grudgingly or of necessity"—remembering that it is written for our instruction, and admonition—" God loveth a cheerful giver"—and, " what have we, that we have not received."

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GUYSBOROUGH, August 24th, 1837.

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of a parcel of Testaments some time since (agreeable to request made to your committee this spring) but as they were unaccompanied by letter, we have some fear, lest you might not have received our report and small remittance of eight pounds, forwarded at that period. The last years report, however, of your society, received a few hours since by Capt. Hudson, leads us the rather to conclude, that it was unfortunately, among the number of returns not made in due season for your annual meeting. We regret this much, yet feel some satisfactory reflection in the remembrance that our delay in forwarding was unavoidable ; as we were necessitated at that early period in the season, to remit it by post, and could not obtain a sufficient number of Province notes to make it practicable. While the thanks of our committee are justly due to the Nova Scotia Bible Society, for the three dozen copies of their truly interesting report, the prayer of



our heart is, that the closing periods of it may be deeply impressed on every mind—and have responding influence in the fervent petition of every heart, and more zealous exertion of every friend, that has ever been employed in its blessed service. For when God declares it shall be brought to pass, namely,—that the “knowledge of his word shall cover the earth, as the waters cover the great deep”—surely it is worse than supineness in man, not to put forth all his ransomed powers to the accomplishment of the work. I am, dear sir, with sentiments of respect, &c.

CHARLOTTE ANN NEWTON,

Sec'y Ladies Bible Association.

To J. W. Nutting, Esq.

GUYSBOROUGH, March 8th, 1838.

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated October 17th, with “a brief view of the origin, object and progress of the British and Foreign Bible Society”—with the speeches delivered at its last anniversary meeting—for which, the committee of the Guysborough Ladies Bible Association, tender their thanks. The several copies have been distributed, and (we hope) read: as the statements contained therein, are not only calculated to induce continued and increased zeal in the cause of the Bible, but exhibit also in a very clear and important point of view, the subserviency of human agency, in the divine purpose of “good will to man”—and the blessedness of yielding to the dictates of the holy spirit, and obeying the voice of God’s providence, in every path of duty and usefulness, he may please to open. As none can tell the various links in that chain, (intended peradventure) to connect even the feeblest effort of the most humble individual, with the accomplishment of the most glorious and important results. We do generally hope a distribution of this interesting circular, under His blessing, may give a fresh impulse to the cause of the Bible, throughout the province. And altho’ we in this obscure corner, should not be happily successful, in greatly augmenting subscribers, that we may at least, be enabled to maintain our own integrity in the cause, by casting in our mite with a more cheerful and hallowed feeling than ever. Our numbers stand at present as they were—for altho’ one has been added, we have lost one, by removal from this place: Subscriptions during the year past, with donations and the sale of books, have amounted to £7 8s, which we have the pleasure of now forwarding. 1 English<sup>d</sup> and 1 Gaelic Bible have been sold at prime cost, with 18 Testaments, 3 Testaments gratuitously disposed of, leaving on hand 12 ditto. Our depositary has had during the latter part of the year, several applications for Bibles large and small, and regrets not having been able to supply the same. But we have no doubt your committee will favour us with a few copies (as you kindly intimate) on the receipt of your importation from England. We should esteem it a favour to

receive two of the largest size with marginal references. I remain,  
 dear sir, &c.

CHARLOTTE ANN NEWTON,  
 Sec'y Ladies Bible Association.

To J. W. Nutting, Esq.

PLEASANT VALLEY, CORNWALLIS, March 29th, 1838.

MY DEAR SIR,

In the summer of 1836, the Rev. George Struthers and myself had some conversations on the subject of reviving the Bible cause in Cornwallis, and came to the conclusion as soon as I returned from the State of Maine, (it being about the time of my departure) that we would endeavour to adopt some measures to effect our purpose in reference to the same, but owing to a variety of circumstances occurring, and not residing near to each other, our interviews were not frequent, and I may add, through too much neglect, nothing was further done until I received the "review of the origin, object and progress of the British and Foreign Bible Society" from the committee of the Nova Scotia Bible Society. This reminded me of my deficiency. I therefore immediately availed myself of an opportunity of again conferring with Mr Struthers and found as heretofore a deep anxiety cordially to unite with me in carrying into effect the formation of a Bible Society (the former one having long since lost its visibility,) we consequently agreed to notify a meeting at the Baptist Meeting House in Canard in the centre of the township for that purpose, on the 24th January, '38; and having met in conformity thereto, Mr. Struthers preached an appropriate and interesting discourse, I Chronicles, 29th chap. 14th ver. "For all things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee." After which a moderator was chosen, rules adopted, and £17 17s 6d subscribed, although the meeting was not numerously attended. The officers chosen were Rev. George Struthers, President; Rev. William Chipman, Vice President and Secretary; Rev. Abraham Stronach, Vice President; H. L. Dickey, Esq., Treasurer and Depository; and a committee of nine. On the 21st February a similar meeting was held in the Baptist Meeting House in Pleasant Valley. Mr Struthers again preached from 1 John, 3d chap. 17th ver. The sum of £7 15s was subscribed. The meeting was much obstructed by the roads being almost impassible, consequently but few attended; but every man present became a subscriber. A committee was chosen, and on the 14th of March a like meeting was held at Bill Town in the Baptist Meeting House. I preached on that occasion from 2 Timothy 3d chap. 15th ver. £8 7s 6d was there subscribed, and a committee of six was chosen. The whole sum subscribed at the three Meetings amounted to £34, and from the information I have received from some of the committee I am led to hope we shall obtain upwards of £50 to be remitted to the Parent Society through the medium of the Nova Scotia Bible Society in the month of May next. I was happy

in finding a number of the supporters of the former Bible Society cheerfully aiding in this ; and in particular the descendants of some of those (now deceased) who were formerly zealous promoters of the Bible cause manfully affording aid now. I cannot forbear naming one circumstance—the widow and three sons of one who, now deceased, altho' in very moderate circumstances—from the commencement, I think to the close of the former society paid his one pound annually, now subscribed thirty five shillings annually. Here was plainly evident the effects of a good example. Yours, in the truth and love of the Bible.

WILLIAM CHIPMAN.

To J. W. Nutting, Esq.

PLEASANT VALLEY, June 13th, 1838.

MY DEAR SIR.—In the few lines addressed to you in reference to the reviving of the Bible cause in Cornwallis, I mentioned the sum of £34 having been subscribed at the three public meetings which were held in Canard, Pleasant Valley, and Bill Town. Since which subscriptions have been circulated, a meeting of the committee and other officers has been attended, and at that meeting the sum of £52 2s 1d was received, but as we have received no intelligence from several of the committee, and some of those present were persuaded that they could collect more in a few days, it was unanimously agreed to defer sending the money on until after the 25th May, and it is since delayed to this day ; we now send on to the Treasurer of the Nova Scotia Bible Society the sum of £66 0s 1d, and I herewith enclose to you a list of the names of the subscribers, and of the sums by them paid.

You will observe in my first communications, (I think) as formerly, we expect the one half of the sum paid to be returned in Bibles and Testaments ; and by a vote of the officers of the Society, we were to request 3s 8d in Bibles and 5s 8d in Testaments, and it was left for me to apportion them. In attempting to do so, I took the prices and descriptions from the thirty sixth British and Foreign Bible report. I however found some difficulty in making choice. Yet I have come as near as I could to meet the views as expressed by the officers of the society for the accommodation of the subscribers.

We formerly received our supplies from the Depository in Halifax—probably shall do so now, if so, it will be necessary in your orders of course to aim to meet our wishes as near as may be.

We have much cause for gratitude to God for the liberal aid afforded in this best of causes, as well as for the good degree of union abounding in this Society, we may well say "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." We may also rejoice to say, this is one of the happy effects of Bible associations throughout the world ; and what a happy consideration that the Bible is now printed in so many different languages, and that so many millions may read it in their own language. I am, Dear sir, respectfully yours, in the best of bonds,

WILLIAM CHIPMAN,

Secretary to the Cornwallis Bible Society.

To J. W. Nutting, Esq.

# CONTRIBUTIONS.

## SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS AT HALIFAX, IN 1838.

His Excel. Sir C. Campbell	£2 0 0				
Allison, Hon. Joseph V.P.	1 0 0	Esson, Mr. Adam	£30 8 9		
Almon, M. B. Esq.	1 0 0		0 10 0		
Almon, Mrs. Senr.	0 10 6	Fraser, Mr. A. G.	0 10 0		
Almon, Mrs.	0 5 3	Forman, James Esq	0 10 0		
Anderson, Mr. John H.	1 0 0	Forbes, Mr James	0 10 0		
Allison, Mr. Edward,	0 10 0	Friend at Sydney, per			
Allison, Mr David	0 10 0	J. W. Nutting, Esq.	5 0 0		
Avery, Dr. James F.	0 10 0	Friend,	0 7 0		
Albro, John Esq.	0 10 0				
Albro, Mr. Edward	0 10 0	Grassie, Mrs.	0 10 6		
Adams, Mr. Thomas	0 10 0	Grassie, Mr. T. R.	0 10 0		
		Goreham, Mr Richard	0 5 0		
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Binney, Mrs	0 10 0	Gohegan, Mr. R.	0 5 3		
Boggs, Miss (donation)	0 10 6	Grant, Mr. Peter (Douglas)	0 10 0		
Bayard, Mrs. (Wilmot)	0 10 0				
Black, Mr. M. G.	1 0 0	Howe, Joseph Esq.	1 0 0		
Binney, S. N. Esq.	1 0 0	Hill, N. T. Esq.	1 0 0		
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Binney, Mr. Edward	0 10 0	Hamilton, Mr James	1 0 0		
Black, Mr. Wm. A.	1 0 0	Hutchinson, Miss	1 0 0		
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Bell, Hugh Esq.	1 0 0	Hunter, Mr. J. D.	0 10 0		
Black, Mr James	0 5 0	Hume, Dr.	0 10 0		
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		Johnston, Hon J. W	1 0 0		
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Cogswell, Rev. Wm.	1 0 0	Jost, Mr Edward	0 10 0		
Crawley, Capt. R.N. (Sydney)	1 0 0	James, Mr P.	0 5 3		
Cunard, Mr. Edward	0 10 0				
Cameron, Mr. James	0 5 0	Kinnear, Mr T. C.	0 5 3		
Cocken, Mrs. Capt	0 5 3				
Churchill, Rev. C.	0 10 0	Leishman, Mr James	1 0 0		
Creighton, Mr. James G.	0 10 0	Lydiard, Mr Thomas	1 0 0		
Creighton, Mr P.	0 5 0	Lynch, Miss S. (Chester)	0 10 0		
Caldwell, Mr Wm	0 10 0	Leaver, Rev T. C.	0 12 0		
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Pryor, Henry Esq.	1 0 0	Wier, Mr Benjamin	0 5 3
Pope, Rev Mr (Newport)	0 10 0		
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Shannon, James N. Esq.	1 0 0	Amount received from the	
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Errors Excepted,  
HALIFAX, 12th May, 1838.  
MARTIN GAY BLACK, Tr.