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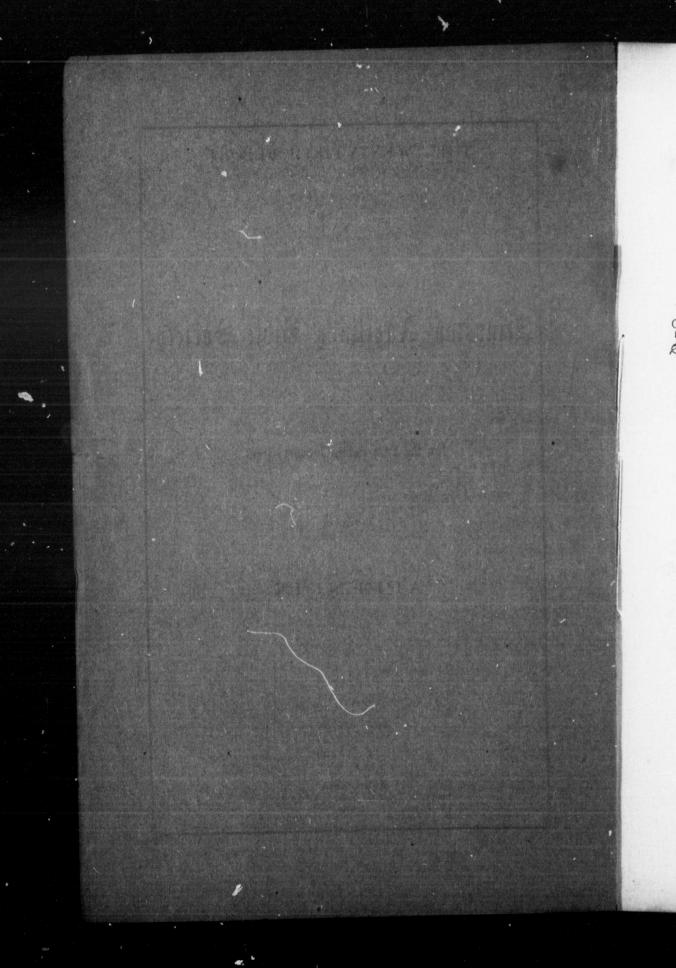
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KINGSTON AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING

OF

The Kingston Auxiliary Bible Society

WAS HELD IN THE CITY HALL 19TH JANUARY, 1869.

M. Sweetnam, Esq., Vice-President, in the Chair.

Meeting opened with prayer and reading of Scripture, by Rev. F. W. Dobbs.

Address by Chairman.

Abstract of Report read by Corresponding Secretary.

Abstract of Ladies' Bible Association read by Rev. R. V. Rogers.

On motion of Rev. R. V. Rogers, seconded by Rev. Thomas Goldsmith—

Resolved—That the Annual Reports of the Kingston Auxiliary Bible Society and of the Ladies' Bible Association be received and referred to the Committees with authority to print and circulate them, and that the following be the Committee of the Kingston Auxiliary for the ensuing year. (See page 2.)

Addresses on important topics by Rev. K. M. Fenwick, Rev. W. M. Inglis, and John Paton, Esq., omitted for want of time.

The Glee Club, led by Mr. Tandy, added to the interest of the evening by sacred music.

Benediction by Rev. A. Wilson.

REPORT.

Your Committee would commence this year's Report with the admirable and oft-repeated saying of Chillingworth, "The Bible—I say the Bible only—is the religion of Protestants." To which may be added the following emphatic words, from the same distinguished authority :- "Whatsoever else they believe besides it, and the plain, irrefragable, indubitable consequences of it, well may they hold it as a matter of opinion; but as a matter of faith and religion, neither can they, with coherence to their own grounds, believe it themselves, nor require the belief of it of others, without most high and most schismatical presumption....Propose me anything out of this Book, and require whether I believe it or no, and seem it never so incomprehensible to human reason, I will subscribe it with hand and heart, as knowing no demonstration can be stronger than this: -God hath said so; therefore it is true."

"To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because they have no light in them."

Alas! many are now speaking not according to this word,

but in opposition to it.

"Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith the Lord. For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water." Many instead of drinking of the "pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb," are seeking to quench their thirst out of the muddy stream of tradition—polluted by poisonous ingredients-derived from the often wild and dreamy speculations of the so-called Fathers of the church, or the no less (not seldom more) noxious absurdities and lying vanitiespapistic, ritualistic, and rationalistic, of later times.

What a duty devolves upon "all who love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity," to be resolute and indefatigable in their efforts to aid in distributing the Bible (as it is published by our great parent institution, the British and Foreign Bible Society) without note or comment, and to be unceasing in prayer to its Divine Author, for the gracious influences of the Holy Spirit, to make the reading of it effectual to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

DEPOSITARY'S REPORT.

Our respected Depositary, Mr. Edward Stacey, retains the high opinion of your Committee, for the zeal, promptitude, and accuracy, with which he performs his important duties.

The following is a statement of the issues from the Depository during the past year:—

Issued to Branches.			 Bibles. 231	Testaments.	Parts.
" Colporteurs.			 537	856	
Sales at Depository			 443	607	26
Issued to Ladies' Bible	Asso	ciation	 17	9	
Grants to the poor			 7	37	
Total Issue			1005		-
Total Issue			1235	1797	26

Increase of cash value, \$17 81 over last year.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

For Treasurer's Account see page 13, where will be found an enumeration of free grants to the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Upper Canada Bible Society, and the Kingston Auxiliary, from its branches.

AGENT'S REPORT.

The Report of S. B. Johnson, Esq., the esteemed Travelling Agent of the Upper Canada Bible Society, who zealously labors in our part of the field, commences thus:—" In presenting my report of labor during the past year in visiting the branches in connection with the Kingston Auxiliary Bible Society, I am happy to say that most of them are evincing signs of life and progress." His first visit was to Marmora: there "an encouraging beginning had been made—a supply of Bibles had been obtained, and the neighbourhood had been canvassed for subscriptions."

At Blairton a new branch had been formed in a village lately sprung up in connection with mining operations, which promises to do well.

He reports the best meeting ever held in Bath, for which he

thanks "the good secretary."

He says:—"It was with great difficulty and at some peril that I reached Amherst Isle—a capital meeting—lively interest." Notices of other branches, &c., will be found in the Report. For which see appendix, (page 14.)

COLPORTEUR'S REPORTS.

Our Colporteur, Mr. John Finlayson, who takes delight in his work, and gives his whole soul to it, has labored in the following counties during the year, namely: Lennox and Addington, Hastings, Northumberland, and Prince Edward.

His monthly Reports show that he has both physical and moral difficulties and hardships to try his faith and patience; but he thanks God, who sustains him under his trials, and he has the sweet consciousness, that he is trying, to the best of his ability, to perform the work intrusted to him for his Master's glory, and the good of the souls of men; some of whom might never receive a copy of the word of God, if it were not put into their hands by the hard-working, self-denying Colporteur.

At times he is encouraged by such encomiums as the following: "Heard of two men who said they could sit up all night to hear him speak of the things of the Spirit, and wished him to return."

He avails himself of opportunities as they occur in his travels to visit Sabbath Schools, and says,—"I seek always to leave

some foot-prints as I pass along among the young."

He says that "the family altar is rarely met with, and grieves for the coldness, worldliness, and formality of the Church. The Holy Spirit's influence is greatly needed to

revive it."

Scepticism sometimes openly confronts him. One man said "the Bible was no better than any other book." Another said that "Christ was not the Son of God, and that there was nothing to certify His being with God before the world was, and His creating the world. He replied, quoting the declaration of St. John, "The word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory," &c., and when done, appealed to him as a man of sound mind, if that was not sufficient to prove that He (Jesus) was the Son of God, and that by Him the world was created. The man was silenced. The Colporteur feelingly adds:—"This is a sample of the many heathens with whom I come in contact all over the field of labor, all the year round."

TABULAR VIEW OF THE COLPORTEUR'S OPERATIONS DURING THE YEAR.

	DUIL	ING THE TELL	Families	Miles
Months of Labor. 12	Sold. Bibles, 533 Tests., 934	Given away. Bibles, 5 Tests., 41	visited. 3,879	travelled. 1,600
	1.467	46		

We can afford space for only a few brief references to the Annual Report of the Upper Canada Bible Society, and of the British and Foreign Bible Society; and must leave unnoticed the proceedings of kindred societies in foreign parts, referring our constituents to the Reports of the parent institutions for detailed information on Bible work throughout the world.

THE UPPER CANADA BIBLE SOCIETY.

"There are two Auxiliaries connected with the Society, viz.: the London Auxiliary, and the Kingston Auxiliary.

"The general receipts of the London Auxiliary during the

"On purchase account for stock \$1,505 74
Free Contributions to the Parent Society, in England 1,124 04
" " " U. C. Bible Society 944 19
Montreal 30 06
Other disbursements
Balance on hand 601 17

"Independently of the 107 Branches of these two Auxiliaries, there are 250 other Branches directly connected with the Upper Canada Bible Society. Of this number 17 were formed by the Agents during the year. The zeal and energy displayed by many of these branches has been most encouraging."

Three Travelling Agents are employed by the society, viz: Mr. S. B. Johnson, by whom 110 Branches have been visited, and 9 new branches organized; Rev. Wm. Brookman, by whom 147 branches have been visited, and 4 new branches organized; Rev. T. Goldsmith, by whom 145 branches have been visited, and 4 new branches organized.

"The results of the labors of the Colporteurs during 1867 will be found in the following table:—

Months of Families Miles Labor. Sold. Given away. Receipts. Mr. Strain visited. travelled. ... 11 1356 43 2,938 302 78 1,608 Mr. Dunn ... 12 1897 65 335 98 2,057 Mr. Lowry 1,458 922 26 130 44 1,405 Mr. McPhail ... 12 1,269 830 177 289 17 3,008 3,236 40 5,005

Total number of copies of the sacred volume circulated by this Society since the commencement of its operations, 659,131.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The receipts from ordinary sources for the year ending March 31, 1868, have reached the sum of £179,718 4s. 2d., being £7,794 11s. 6d. in advance of the previous year.

To this must be added £1,1751 9s. 10d. received for the China Fund; £11. 2s. 7d., for the Special fund for India; £5,029. 7s., further contributions to the Building Fund; and £663. 9s. 6d. for the Paris Exhibition Fund; making a grand total of £186,597. 13s. 1d.

The sum applicable to the general purposes of the Society is £93,898 6s. 3d., being £6,137 10s. 3d. more than was received

under this head in the preceding year.

The receipts for Bibles and Testaments have reached the sum of £85,819 17s. 11d., showing an increase of £1,657 1s. 3d.

The ordinary payments have amounted to £177,826 1s. 11d., and adding the sum paid on account of the Jubilee, China, India, and Paris Exhibition Funds, the total has reached £185,611 15s., being £16,706, 10s. less than in the previous

If to this sum be added £15,267 13s. 8d. paid on account year. of the Society's new premises, it will be seen, that the total expenditure of the year has amounted to £200,879 8s. 8d.

The Society is under engagements to the extent of

£112,000.

The issues of the Society for the year are as follows:-From the depot at Home. 1,351,989 $\{2,400,776 \text{ copies.}\}$

The total issues of the Society now amount to 55,069,865

copies CONCLUSION.

In review of the facts brought before us by our Colporteur, it is evident that there is a melancholy state of spiritual destitution round about us. What does this call for ? Most certainly, for earnest, persevering, wrestling in prayer, that God would be graciously pleased to breathe upon these spiritually dead souls that they may live; for the word without the Holy Spirit's quickening power cannot save.

Let us therefore, as many as read this report, remember our faithful Corporteur in our family and private devotions; and all who are sowing the good seed of the word throughout the

world.

Bibles and Testaments issued for year ending January 1, 1869.

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Stock in Depository on the 1st January, 1869.

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20 Sets of	History	of the	e Bibl	le Soc	eiety,	40	00	
						\$ 1195	21	

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OFFICERS OF THE BRANCH SOCIETIES.

NAME.	PRESIDENT.	TREASURER.	SECRETARY.
Amherst Island, Stella P.O., Bath Blairtown Big Creek Bridgewater Bloomfield Canifton Centreville Consecon Demorestville Garden Island Gananoque Glenvale Marmora Melrose Madoc. Moira Milford Napanee Newburg Odessa Picton Roblin Roslin Stirling Selby Sydenham, Loughboro' P.O.	W. Perceval, Esq W. L. Peterson Rev. W. Halstead. Geo. Smith. Dr. Higinbottom. C. Bowerman J. Cannif, Jnr. Rev. J. Rupert H. Marsh. Rev. J. Dingman. J. A. Breck Rev. H. Gordon J. Lazier Rev. A. Doxsee Rev. J. Turnbull A. F. Wood H. Ostrom Rev. J. Weldon Charles James Geo. Eakins R. Aylesworth J. P. Roblin E. Spencer. Dr. Wilson Dr. Boulton, M.P.I J. McKimm.	Thos. Polly G. M. T. Ross T. Turner Jas. Close Jas. Harrison Chas. Bowerman J. F. Lapum, M.P. L. C. Bailey J. Smith H. Dugdale W. Bell Wm. Tullock Hough & Loucke Geo. Duncan E. D. O. Flynn E. Ketcheson Mr Knox J. C. Huffman A. Caton Lewis Allen J. Clute J McCallum Dr. Wilson Dr. Boulter W. Beeman	Jno. Weller. G. M. T. Ross. Jas. Mickle. Jas. Close. Samuel Crawford. Chas. Bowerman. F. Brenton. J. F. Lapum, M.P. A. Whittier. J. Smith. H. Dugdale. J. Ormiston. Wm. Tullock. B. Beddome. Geo. Duncan. E. D. O. Flynn. J. G. Foster. J. F. McQuoid. Wm. T. Detlor. A. Caton. Lewis Allen. J. Twigg. E. Spencer. Peter Duncan. D. McKay. W. Beamen. W. Caldwell.
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James Hendry			1 00	A Friend	•••	•••			25
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James McNee	•••			Cash	•••				50
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James Gardiner	***		1 00	Mr. Robinson	1				25
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Robert McFaul			50	E. Stacey	•••	•••		50
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Isaac Simpson		1	00	R. V. Rogers	•••	•••		00
J. Shannon			50	W. Snodgrass	•••	•••	-	00
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W. P. Lacey		1	00	K. M. Fenwick	•••	•••	1	00
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Carried forward		\$155	23					

John Paton, Treasurer, in account with the Kingston Auxiliary Bible Society.

DR.	
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To balance from last year \$116 61	By expenses at annual meeting \$ 10 8
"Collected in Kingston on behalf	"Fuel, light, stationery, freight \$ 10 8
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DONATIONS FROM BRANCHES.	"Royal Insurance Co., prem on
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Audited and found correct.

WALTER P. LACEY, HENRY SKINNER.

Kingston, Ontario, 18th January, 1869.

ISSUES OF COPIES OF THE SCRIPTURES.

The Kingston Auxiliary was primarly 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:—

From	Feb.	26,	1830,	to	4th Jan.,	1831	348	583	931	1
"	Jan.				1st June,			354		
66	June		1832,			1833		243	363	La Resident
"	66	,	1833,			1834		120	184	
66	"		1834,			1835	81	197	278	
"	46		1835,			1836		235	340	
66	"		1836,			1837	128	267	395	
"	"		1837,	to	"	1838	112	62	174	
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APPENDIX.

AUBURN HOUSE, PETERBORO, January, 1869.

J. MAIR, Esq., M.D.

My Dear Sir-In presenting my report of labors during the past year in visiting the branches in connection with the Kingston Auxiliary Bible Society, I am happy to say that most of them are evincing signs of life

My first visit was to Marmora, where the first anniversary meeting was held. I was glad to find that an encouraing beginning had been made. A supply of Bibles had been obtained, and the neighborhood had been canvassed for subscriptions. In addition to an amount on purchase account, I received a free contribution of \$8 89 to the British and Foreign Bible

After a Sabbath appointment I formed a new branch at Blairton, a new village which has sprung up in connection with mining operations which are now carried on vigorously by an Iron Company. The men are intelligent, and quite disposed to take hold of whatever is likely to benefit themselves or advance the good of others. A promising branch was formed which will, I trust, be a means of usefulness.

At Stirling we had a good meeting. Our excellent President was unfortunately absent attending to his Parliamentary duties, but everything in order. I received \$8 for the British and Foreign, and \$7 Kingston Aux-

Our little branch at Roslin had not made its collections; I received \$6 to credit on their purchase account.

At Moira the collections were not fully made, but will be forthcoming, I trust, in time for your Report.

Canifton is still doing well: though rather later than usual in getting to work, we had a good meeting. I have here some warm friends. Shannonville has done a little and ought to do more. I received

\$5 75 to Kingston Auxiliary.

Napanee. In this rising little town I was glad to find matters improved, though the Society should be more liberally sustained from the size of the town. I received \$30 on purchase account and free contributions as much more, \$60 in all. I hope to see it ere long \$160.

Odessa has done nothing, and I fear will do but little till a warmer spirit of Christian benevolence gets into her midst.

Garden Island and Wolfe Island will, I hope, both show some improvement this year. Both Societies are well managed. Gananoque is usefully holding on, and has a faithful list of offi-

Waterloo had made the returns before the meeting, and I hope will, this year, be in time for your Report.

Glenvale I have always found ready with funds for the meeting, and am glad to notice an improvement this year. I received \$5 British and Foreign and \$6 50 to Kingston Auxiliary.

We held our first anniversary at Sydenham, where after a good meeting

I received \$6 13 as a free contribution to Kingston Auxiliary.

We had, thanks to the interest taken by our good Secretary, the best meeting I have ever held in Bath, the collection at which amounted to \$3 09, free, Kingston Auxiliary: the subscriptions not taken up in time.

Amherst Isle.—It was with great difficulty, and at some peril, that I reached this place—a capital meeting -lively interest. Collection \$4 48,

free, Kingston. Subscriptions to be taken up.

Big Creek.—This little branch is faithfully doing its share. After an

interesting meeting I received \$8 20, free Kingston.

Trenton.—Here I held an interesting meeting; after which I received \$12 00 to credit on purchase account and a free contribution of \$10 50. Consecon wants a little more energy among its officers, but is usefully holding on. I received \$5 87, free Kingston.

Bloomfield returns not made. Some changes were made, which will, I

trust, prove beneficial.

Picton is doing well; a good meeting and lively interest displayed in

Milford gives \$9 00, free Kingston.

Demorestville returns not quite complete: I received \$9 40, free con-

Newburgh.—This is one of the best branches. I received \$15 00 purchase account and free contribution of \$15 00 to the funds.

Centreville. - Very dull and inactive.

Tamworth.—A lively little branch well sustained. I received \$15 00 to credit on account.

Selby and Lonsdale had not made their collections.

Melrose gave us a capital meeting; after which I received \$22 27 to the U. C. Bible Society.

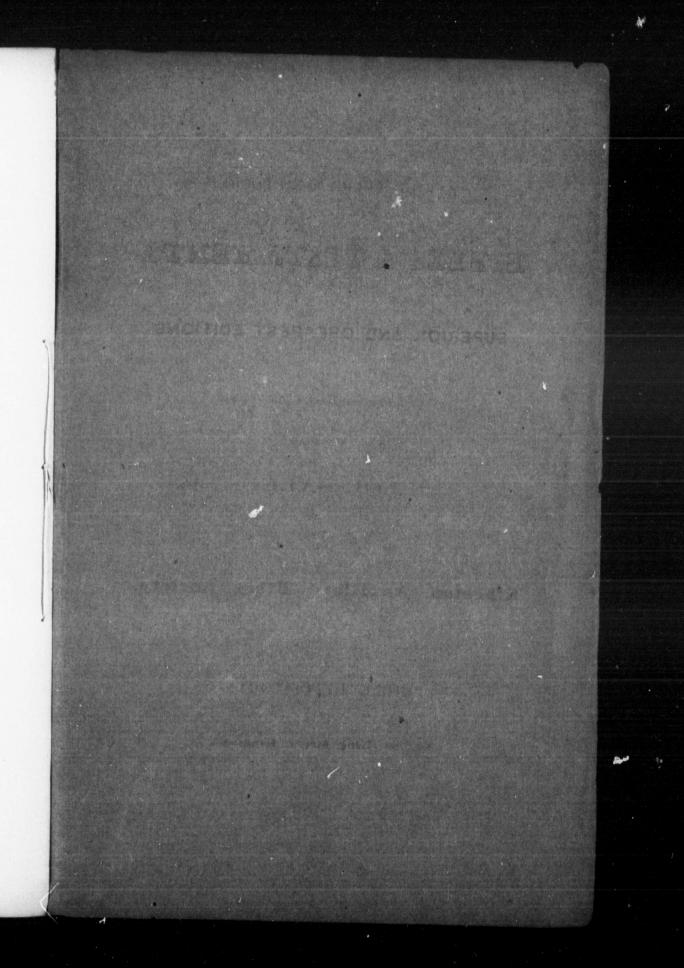
Madoc—Another good branch. A very interesting meeting; after which I received \$10 60 on purchase account and a Free contribution of

Bridgewater.—This enterprising little village I found still improving. After a good meeting I received \$15, Free Contribution. Their purchase account will be forwarded.

Tweed.—Still usefully holding on, and I trust will be found still im-

Trusting that the next may witness a growing interest over the returns of the present year.

I am, Dear Sir, Ever faithfully yours, S. B. JOHNSON.



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