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# LAWS AND REGULATIONS <br> OP THE 

BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.
I. The designation of this Society shäll be, The British and foreige bible Society, of which the sole object shall and
encourage a wider cont comment; the only copies in of the Holy Scriptures, without iffete or to be circulated by the Society, shall Langes of the United Kingdom,
II. This Society shall add its be the Authorized Version. other Societies for circulating the endeavours to those employed by Dominions; and shall also, according toptures through the British ence to other countries, whether Christian its ability, extend its influIII. Each :ubscriber of One Guintian, Mahometan, or Pagan. MV Each Subscriber of Guinea annually shall be a Member. on Guineas, at one time shall be a $\stackrel{V}{V}$. Each Subscriber of Five Guineas annually shall be a Governor, VI. Each Subscriber of Fifty Poúnds at one time, or who shat Pounds, shall be payment, increase his original subscription to Fifty VII. Governo Governor for life, ings of the Committee. VIII. An Executor, paying a bequest of Fifty Pounds, shall be IX A Committee, o. One Hundred Pounds, a Governor for life, the Society, consisting of The appointed to conduct the business of Foreigners, resident in Lońdon or Laymen,-six of whom shall be shall be members of the Church its vicinity; half the remainder members of other denominations of England, and the other half dizible fumber, who shall have of Christians. Twenty-seven of The Commelection for the ensuing year. tod call Spectee shall appoint all Otfice curing for the Social General Meetings, and shall except the Treasurer, X. Each Meciety suitable patronage, both British charg with profon of the Member of the Society shall be entitlel and Foreign. Society's prices, whittee, to purchase Bibles and 'Testar the direcXI. The Anwich shall be as low as possible. Wednesdiy Annual Meeting of the Society shall
dosenday in May, when the Treasurer and Co held on the first var reported. Acounts presented, and the Prond Committee shall be prav reported.
XII. The President, Vice Presidents, and Treasurer, shall be considered, ex officio members of the Committee.
XIII. Every Clergyman or Dissenting Minister, who is a Member of the Society, shall be entitled to attend and vote at all Meetings of the Committee.
XIV. The Secretaries for the time being shall be considered as members of the Committee ; but no other person deriving any emolument from the Society, shall have that privilege.
XV. At the General Meetings, and at meetings of the Committee, the President; or, in his absence, the Vice-President first upon the list then present ; and in the absence of all the Vice-Presidents, the Treasurer; and in his absence such member as shall be voied for that purpose, shall preside at the Meeting.
XVI. The Committee shall meet on the first Monday in every month, or oftener if necessary.
XVII. The Committee shall have the power of nominating such persons as have rendered essential services to the Society, either Members for Life, oriGovernors fob Life.
XVIII. The Committee shall also have the power of nominating Honorary Members from among foreigners who have promoted the objects of the Society.
XIX. The whole of the Minutes of every General Meeting shall be signed by the Chairman.

## REGULATIONS

adofted at the annual general meetings of the societi in 1826 AND 1827.

1. That the fundamental law of the Society, which limits its operations to the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, be fully and distinctly recognized as excluding the circulation of the Apocrypha.
II. That in conformity to the preceding resolution, no pecuniary aid can be granted to any Society circulating the Apocrypha; not, except for the purpose of being applied in conformity to the said resolution, to any individual whatever.
III. That in all cases in which grants, whether gratuitous or otherwise, of the Holy Scriptures, either in whole or in part, shall be mado to any Society the books be issued bound, and on the express condition that they shall be distributed without alteration or addition
IV. That all grants of the Scriptures to Societies which circulats the Apocrypha, be made under the express condition that they b sold or distributed without alteration or addition; and that the pro ceeds of the sales of any sueh copies of the Scriptures be held at the disposal of the British and Foreign Dible Society.
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II. The bui dent Vice business of this Society shall be
, Weo-Presidents, Treasarer, Secretary, and Conducted by a PresiIII. In order to give ffer benefactions and subscriptions to the design of this Institution, for receiving the names of benefactors solicited, and books opened IV. Every person contrib and subscribers. time, or a donation of Ten Pouting annually Ten Shillings at one the Society. Ten Pounds, shall be çonsidered a Member of V. A general Meeting of the Members of this Society will be bedd very year, before which shall be laid the accounts and proceed-
ing of the preceding year. VI. The whole of the subscriptio incidental expenses, shall be remiptions and donations, after deducting the British and Foreign Bible Society annually in aid of the funds of VII. Every
mode the direction of the this Society shall be entitled to purchase, nduced prices of the Society -VIII. The Com. Were of conducting the business be authorized to meet for the par massary, and shall have power of the Society as often as may be ay require.

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(INSTITUTED 1813.)

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## AT THR <br> THIRTY-FOURTH ANNIVERSARY <br> OF THE <br> NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY <br> Held in Temperance Hall, Halifax, Nov. 10, 1862.

THE REV. R. F. UNIACKE IN THE CHAIR.
The Meeting was opened with praise, and prayer by the Rev. G. W. Hill. The Secretary read the past year. It was, on motion of seconded by His Worship the MAYOR, Resolved,-That the Report now read be adopted ; and that it, tion of the Committee. be printed and circulated under the direc-

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Izzer, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Lathern,

Resolved,-That this Meeting desires to express its devout thankfulness to Almighty God for the measure of prosperits devout the Parent Society during the past year ; and recogrosperity given to cess which has crowned its operations, notwithstanding the superprevalent, affording thereby the opposition to the Word of Life still the spirit of faith and prayer, to strongest motives for persevering in Word of Life.
On motion of Rev. Mr. Munro, seconded by Mr. Abex. Russelle,

Resolved, -That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the rarious Branch Societies, and Ladies' Mceting be given to the and other kind this Auxiliary during the Associations, which have kervices, in hared institutions, be requested to coear; and that they, We Lord shall cing on the predicted period when the their valuable ae Lord shall cover the earth.

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## On motion of the Rev. Mr. Crisp,

Resolved,-That the following gentlemen be the Officers of the Society for the ensuing year, viz:

President, Rev. R. F. Uniacke, A. M. ; Vice-Presidents, Hon. J. W. Johnston, James W. Nutting, Esq., and Wm. Pryor, Esq. ; Treasurer, S. H. Black, Esq.; Secretary, S. L. Shannon, Esq.; Corresponding Secretary, Mr. James Farquhar; Agent, Mr. Alex. Russell.

Committe, --Rev. John Scott, A. M., Kev. John Martin, Rev. J. C. Cochran, A. M., Rev. P. G. McGrégor, Rev. T. Crisp, B. A., Rev. H. Pope, Rev. G. W. Hill, A. M., Rev. Geo. Boyd, Rev. A. H. Munro, Rev. J. S. Addy, Rev. E. W. Milner, Rev. A. McN utt, Rev, John Lathern, Rev. John Pryor, D. D., Rev. John Knox, D. D., Rev. Jas. Izett, Rev. John McMurray, His Honor the Chief Justice, Hon. W. A. Black, Hon. J. H. Anderson, Judge Marshall, James F. Avery, Esq., M. D., A. McKinlay, Esq., Henry Pryor, Esq., S. Selden, Esq., T. A. Brown, Esq, W. C. Silver, Esq., T. A. S. DeWolf, Esq., James Thomson, Esq., J. G. A. Creightov, Esq., Charles Robson, Esq., P. Lynch, Esq., J. W. Ritchje, Esq., J. C. Cogswell, Esq., P. C. Hill, Esq, G. H. Starr, Esq., Nepean Clarke, Esq., Daniel McEwan, Esq., John Starr, Esq., Sawers Stirling, Esq. C. D. Hunter, Esq.

The Meeting was closed with the Doxology, and Benediotion by the President.
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## REPORT.

The return of another Anniversary of the Nova Scotia Bible Society brings with it to your Committee the duty of again presenting their Annual Report.
In reviewing the operations of the past year your Committee cannot dwell upon anything occurring as presenting marked or striking features; they have endeavored. in their humble way, to co-operate with that great Society with which it is their privilege to be connected, and to aid in the circulation of the Word of Life within the limits of their Auxiliary. For the measure of success has attended them in their proper sphere of labor, they have to express their gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and they trust that the details which will hereafter be given will only stimulate their friends the more to increased exertion in so good a cause. Leaving, however, the consideration of local matters to a subsequent part of this Report, they would first direct your attention to the operations of the Parent Society during the past year as contained in their Report, And your Committee mould here observe, that in their view few more interesting rolumes are issued from the press than the unpretending
R Repprt which the Parent Society places in the hands of its friends year by year. It is marked by nothing attractive in it external appearance, but it contains in its interior a rich ${ }^{12}$ pasas for all who love their Bible and its Author, and who welight to follow the progress and to share in the triumphs of

God's own Word in every nation and clime. The Report of last year is even more interesting than any of its predecessors, and your Committee would be well pleased, if they had it in their power, to place a copy in the hands of all their subscri; bers throughout the country, as they feel convinced that its perusal would be a rare treat to every friend of the Society and enhance their interest in it.

The Report, as usuad, commences with France, a country which has always been viewed withe deepest solicitude by the friends of the Bible. It is said that the Gospel here, as elsewhere, has lost none of its influence to attract, or of its constraining power to subdue; and were a free course but, once given it, it would soon be glorified in the salvation of many souls. But in a country in which the Bible is not accepted as the foundation on which all education should rest, and the standard of appeal to which every precept should be referred, - where it is not recognized as the one centre around which the whole family is grouped, and the one light by which the home is lightened, - the result may be a refined taste and a cultivated mind, the progress of science and the development of art, but the one thing needful will still be wanting.

Yet with all the discouragements referred to, the circulation of the Scriptures is going on and increasing, amounting during the past year, according to M. de Pressensé's statement, to 88,048 copies.

This circulation has been almost wholly owing to the Colpertage agency which has from the very first produced such extraordinary results. Test this agéney, say the Parent Committee, by what criterion you please, and proof will not be wanting, that of all others it is the most suitable to the end in view. Men of simple piety and humble deportment, not exalted in rank, but on a level with those to whom they
are sent-not strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens, and consequently men of kindred feelings and similar habits, $g r$ forth the bearers of God's Book, the messengers of God's salvation, and tell of the dying love which that book reveals, and of the life-giving power which its gracious story unfolds. What wonder that they are so successful! Copious and most interesting details are given of the labors of these faithful servants, but we have only space for the insertion of the following from M. de Pressensé's report :-
'In the greater number of the parishes visited by one or other of our friends, gratifying traces of their visits may be met with; nearly everywhere families are now to be encounfered
who not only localities there are, among the but who read it; and in many Roman Catholics, numbers those who still bear the name of verted-who are, in fact, real meme souls have been truly' conof these new Christians which givat it is likewise the influence Scriptures, effected, it may be, ma to the distribution of the importance than was attributable many years ago, a far greater the copies were sold. Of this the to them at the period when an instance:- In one locality the the following may be taken as to those whom I have just describe is a group of persons similar bringing their neighbours to imited, who are most desirous of so persevered in speaking wimite their example. They have have induced those who were thith them on the subject, that they Bible for themselves, to unite togo poor to purchase a copy of the Bible might become the propengether, in order that at least one times convenient for all, be perty of all, which Bible should, at several owners, to be there read tan in turn to the houses of the one of the Colporteurs was dee in common. In another place, scene which came to his notice deply affected and edified by a cottage he found two old mee. In a very poor and wretched endeavouring to aid each other each with a Bible on his knees, of the passages, which they rer in comprehending the meaning to spell many of the words, but with difficulty, being obliged with a respect and attention wh. which they nevertheless read Were consulting was regarded which proved that the book they In another place, the same frim them as the Word of God. greatly interested him. This mand met with an old man who as an anibassador from the Lord, by whom he was welcomed paralysed. As soon as he Lord, appeared to have all his limbs As soon as he learnt that he was speaking with a

Bible Colporteur, his, countenance became radiant with delight, and he exclaimed, "Thanks to Thee, $O$ God, Thou hast satisfied, at length, my most ardent wish!" and then, exhibiting to our friend a tattered New Testament, which had become so from constant use, he said to hin, "Many years have I now been lying on this bed without having the power to move myself, and, as my brain was never aflected, my ideas and thoughts have gone on as usual; but, blessed be God! they have wandered into the right way, thanks to his most holy book, which my good wife had the happy thought to buy of one of your brethren. Ah! my dear man," he added, "what would have become of us without the Gospel of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! It has been by reading and re-reading it, and by learning the whole of it by heart, that I have been kept from dying of weariness and sadness. But we cannot have too much of that which is good-of that which does good to the soul. It is this which for a long time past has caused me to sigh for the possessiontof the large volume, which contains all that the great God wishes to say to me. Give me, then, oh! give me quickly this large volume." The Colporteur who relates this fact concludes his last journal as follows:-" Most assuredly a desire for religious things is being extended among the people of this district, and the Lord is accomplishing his work here., The best proof I can possibly give of this assertion is, the large number of Bibles which I have sold, even during the months when the people were most busily occupied in their fields."'

Very encouraging accounts have been received of the results of the Bible distribution in the French army. The Report says that voluntary enlistment does not prevail in France as it does in our army, but a definite period of service is prescribed to all within a cortain age, and as the result of such a system, the nation and the army may be said to be one. The soldier, therefore, who becomes interested in the gracious message which the Testament that he has bought in camp reveals, goes back in due time to his home, and there becomes a centre whence heavenly light may radiate to many an otherwise dark and dreary spot. Many such instances hare occurred, one of which is thus narrated:
' Not many days back one of our Colporteurs was stationed at the terminus of one of our principal railways with his wallet full
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The Committee of the Halifax Ladies' Bible Association, in issuing their fourteenth Report, and rejoicing that the God of their strength has sustained and prospered them during so many years, feel that they have only to refer to the report of their zealous Colporteur as a sufficient appeal to those who have the cause of Bible distribution at heart, and who have hitherto by their prayers and contributions, enabled them to carry on their work of assisting the Parent Society, and for the last few years of disseminating the Gospel in the hitherto neglected and untaught portions of their native land. Mr. Russell says:-
"When I wrote the former Annual Report, I was recovering from an illness which for several weeks unfitted me for engaging in the work in which I am employed. It was about the 1st of March ere I was able to resomed. travelling and for a month or so I could only male resume travelling, and walk a few miles a day. Gradually I short journeys, and during the remainder of the wally I gained strength, enabled to travel as formerly of the year, now ended, was engaged,-whose WORD I y. $\mathrm{HE}_{\mathrm{E}}$ in whose work I was led His gracions promise, 'As been circulating, has fulfilbe.' HIs arm has been around thy day so shall thy strength mecting me from danger seen and and underneath me, progratitade I would wish to sand unseen, and with adoring telped me.' wish to say, 'Hitherto hath the Lord

Since my engagement with the Ladies' Bible Association I have at the end of every three months submitted to its Committee a quarterly report. I shall now endeavour to condense into one the substance of these Reports for the past year.

During this period I have laboured in the following Counties : Cumberland, Colchester, Halifax, and Hants. In 1860 also I spent considerable time in the first three. This year it was in different parts of the same Counties. I have not travelled twice over any locality. This I would deem superfluous while there is so much unbroken ground to traverse.
During the months of March, April, June, and July, I laboured in Colchester County ; in May, in Hants; in September and October, in Halifax ; in August, November, and Deeember, in Cumberland. In the latter County there was the greatest necessity for my labours; but, indeed with very few exceptions, in almost every locality visited there were some families without the -Word of God. Sometimes cases of destitution occurring where least expected, where the nearest neigbours of those without Bibles were ignorant of the want. In very many instances the families supplied have been extremely poor; in some cases their houses were twenty miles distant from any place where Bibles are kept for sale, and the great probability is, that had the Book of God not been taken to their homes and given them gratuitously, they would have remained still unsupplied.

In addition to families who were knowon to have no Bible, and who have had one given them, others have been supplied. Circumstances are frequently oceurring whieh convince me that more families are destitute of a whole Bible than what are suspected. It is sometimes a very delicate question, ' Have you a Bible,' and wherever one is purchased I never ask it. Content that the Word of God is procured, I have never too curiously pried into the previous lack of it. Hence I doubt not I have sold Bibles to families where there was none, though I could not positively assert there was not any. In some cases, however, persons after purchasing have voluntarily told me that they had no

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quently deep and fervent gratitude has been expressed to the Society which employs me, and who sent the word of life to those who otherwise might have uttered the melancholy wail, 'No man careth for my soul.'

During the past year I have visited many Roman Catholic families. Where such families constitute the majority of a settlement, or where the priest frequently calls on them I find that efforts to induce them to procure a Bible, or even to accept one, were fruitless. In such places even tracts were refused, respectfully it is true, but firmly refused. I find I can most readily introduce copies of the Scriptures into Roman Catholic families when the children attend school, and especially when they attend the sehools connected with the Colonial Church Society. These schools, (and both this year and last I have visited several of them), appear to be highly efficient. In them the Scriptures are daily read. In one instance that came under my own notice, the priest permitted the parents to allow their child to take a Testament to such a school, but on the distinet understanding that the book was not to be taken home. but left in the school-room. At another place, and at a different school, the priest would not permit the children belong ing to his small flock to read the Scriptures in schools, or to kneel in prayer with the teacher. The consequence was, the sehool was broken up. In general, however, I have been far more successful in introducing the Scriptures into Roman Catholic houses than I could have expected. I think, that during the past year I have supplied upwards of thirty such families with the Word of God, selling them, though at reduced rates, and not giving a copy away unless there was evinced an anxiety to obtain one.

During the past year I have circulated 460 Bibles, nad 763 Testaments, -in all 1228 copies of the Scriptures. I have visited 1362 different families (besides the tents, do.., at Tangier), and thirty-six schools, I have supplied at least fifty-three families with Bibles, who had none, and addressed sixty-nine different meetings. I rode 603, sailed 107, and walked 1362 miles. As formerly the houses in the localities visited have been very seattered. In some of the reutes taken there was no roads, only paths. I have often er
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of Bibles, one of which he held in his hand. Among the crowd who was our chief cavalry regiments. to be a soldier belonging to one of seller, the soldier left the peoplo the great surprise of the Bible and making his way up to hime among whom he was standing, your hand assures me that you, exelaimed, "What you hold in that you are one of those dou are a brother in Jesus Christ; promoting the spiritual welfare Christians who are desirous of are under arms. Ah! who ef such of their fellow-citizens as all your comrades, ever sincen more than myself love you and stand that I was walking se one of you enabled me to undercreatures who rush headg side by side with those miserable for the Crimea, a long while into helk It was when starting place of embarkation by wile ago, that I was accosted at the carrying about with him a man attired just as you are, and my soul, at which I laughed in books. He spoke to me abbut struck me was, that my conduct face; and what particularly ruftle him. He spoke to me about not seem in anywise to replies comprised jeers, curses, and those books, and my only ${ }^{\text {stop him. In spite of myself I and oaths. Neither did these }}$ the more violent and wicked I could not help thinking: verily tionate does he become; and in spite kinder and more affechelp feeling touched; so that white of myself too $I$ could not on board the vessel which was when thignal was given to go which we were to proceed to the to take us to the frigate, by tradesman thrust into my hand onst, and this strange kind of ments, which I had previously refue of the small New Testasous, I cordially shook him by refused to buy of him for a festahis present, added, Never mind the hand, and, thanking him for shall not easily forget you." ' The Colporteur being much impressed with the address of done for his soul, invited to hear at his leisure what God had varions circumstances connecte his house, and thus relates the 'Growing weary of thel with his conversion: New Testament from his voyage, he one day took the little was his surprise when his knapsack, and on opening it, what porteur had made the text ey fell on a passage which the Coladdressed to him, and which of the admonitions which he had man profited, if he shall gain the had not forgotten, "What is a soul? Or what shall a man the whole world, and lose his own Irepeat it, this surprised the give in exchange for his soul?" his frivolous spirit gaihed the soldier very much; but ere long more about it. The subsequeper hand, and he thought no ts the incidents of his debarent events of the voyage, as well
to plunge him headlong into the heedless and vicious practices in which he had formerly indulged, and the little volume remained closed and all but lost at the bottom of his knapsack. He was then in an infantry regiment, and one evening he was sent with his company to pass the night in the trenches. A company of English soldiers was posted quite close to them, so that the soldiers of the two nations entered into conversation with each other. It was ${ }^{\text {th }}$, course of conversation with an English corporal, told him of his intense anxiety to have a part in some gallant action, in which he might have an opportunity of winning his epaulettes. "For such a chance," he added, "I would most willingly risk my life." The corporal was evidently a man who was accustomed to read the Scriptures, and by them had become enlightened in the way of salvation, tor, in reply, he quoted a passage to the foolish and ambitious soldier, and the passage thus quoted was the same as the one with which he first became acquainted from the Colporteur. The French soldier'appears to have been moved in his conscience by what he thas heard, for he declared that it was only from the time when the passage in question was thus again quoted that he really comprehended that he had a soul to be saved; and with a view of finding out what he must do to accomplish this, he from that time began to read his New Testament most diligently. He was not long before he arrived at the conviction, that the worthy man whom the Lord had thrown in his way at the place of embarkation had given him the most precious of treasures. It was with such impressions that, at the termination of the campaign, he returned to his native land, and on his arrival was sent with his regiment to one of those great military centres where we are privileged to employ some of those Colporteurs whose labours God is blessing beyond expression. It was there that, by coming into daily contact with one of these friends, he made striking progress in his acquaintance with the truth of salvation; and in the end he became, what he expressed to the Colporteur whom he encountered at the railway station, a brother of all those who name the name of Jesus Christ. This interesting individual having completed his term of service, is now about to return to his family. He will return to them with his little New Testament, which be says he will keep and study as long as he lives; but be will likewise take with him a large Bible of Ostervald's version, round which it is his fixed intention not only to gather the members of his family, but as many of his neighbours as he possibly can. And the following is the testimony which he bore to the benefits-which it would seem are far greater and more widely extended than we have ourselves imagined-produced by the Bible work car-
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ried on among the soldiers in the French Army:-"I am not the only one," he said to the friend with whom he was speaking, "who will return home with the Bible in my hand, and the reliwho by the blessing of $y$ heart. There are many, very many, they first met with these worthy like myself, and who, ever since them-have become desirous of brothers-Bible men as we call life, in fact, of true disciples of Jesus Christ.",

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 much disappointment that they have to announce a diminished circulation in this agency, yet they find abundant cause for thankfulness in that God continues to bless their efforts, and whilst magnifying His grace in the salvation of some, encourage them to persevere. The proofs given of late of the power of the Gospel without human aid, to influence the heart, have been more striking than ever, and, in some portions at least of this field, hope seems to point to a yet more plenteous harvest. The Walloon provinces, in which bave bitherto been found the most productive soil, continue to welcome our laborers with increased cordiality. Colporteurs and other Christian brethren obtain access to the people more readily than before, and at Courtrai the sales of the Scriptures have been most encouraging.In Germany the work is attended with great success, notwithstanding the Committee have thought it right to reduce the expenditure of its various agencies so as to leave room for the fuller development of native zeal and benevolence. From Prussia encouragement is afforded by every class of society. The Committee rejoice in being permitted to announce that His Majesty the present King of Prussia has already expressed himself as favorably disposed towards the Society, and as taking a lively interest in its welfare. On the occasion of his coronationy interest in its welfare. On if Jesus nis term 1 return he will ise take nich it is family, and the -which led than ork car-
a congratulatory address from the Society with the present of large quarto Bible.

But there is one who occupies an exalted position in the Prussian capital to whom English hearts cling with a fondness which they cannot know for strangers. The first-born of England's Queen, though she has consented to occupy a home in a foreign country, can never by such an act obliterate the remembrance of affectionate regard which those among whom she once dwelt have ever cherished towards her. The Committee were glad of the permission granted them to present Her Royal Highness, the Crowr Princess of Prussia, a similar Bible to the one which had been accepted by the King ; and received, as it was, in the midst of that crushing sorrow which drew forth a whole nation's tears, they sincerely trust that one who had so often used that blessed book to comfort others when cast down, would welcome it as a fresh incentive to turn to it herself for consolation and peace.
It may not be inappropriate here to state that the hopes which were cherished at the last Anniversary with referenee to freedom of action in Austria, have not yet been realized. The decree which had reference to the circulation of the Bible in Austria seemed sufficiently explicit, and the agent was not slow to avail himself of the opening thus afforded and to address to the proper authority a memorial earnestly pleading for the admission of the Scriptures free from all restraint. For sometime there appeared little hope, but latterly the Committee have been informed that the memorial has been transmitted to the political authorities with a favorsble recommendation, and since then the Austrian ambassador at Berlin has, by direction of his government, requested information on some points of detail, leading to the conclusion that ere long their hopes will be realized.
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the War Department, requesting that the solfiers in Austrian Italy and Dalmatia, entrusted to his spiritual care, may be liberally supplied with New Testaments. He further states that during the last campaign in Italy, the Protestant soldiers who were made prisoners were liberally supplied with the Bible in their own language by the French Protestant Military chaplains.

The Committee state that it is no small recompense, in return for the labor of love which they have so long prosecuted amongst the soldiers of the French army, to find that it has been so blessed of God, that military chaplains have learnt to feed a wounded enemy with the Bread of Heaven, and to give him to drink of the Waters of Life freely.

Of Denmark, it is stated that it is encouraging to find that some considerable progress has been made in the distribution of the scriptures ; and that the issues which last year amounted to 6,989 , have this year risen to 11,396 .

In reference to $\mathrm{Norway}^{\mathrm{om}}$, the Committee state that there are few portions of the wide field occupied by the Society, in which its labours are more abundantly valued and blessed than in Norway. The dew of God's spirit, which during the past few years has refreshed so many barren spots, has no ${ }_{t}$ been witheld from this simple-minded people.~ They read with eagerness, and receive with faith, the promises of the Gospel, and from many a little community there rises up the incense of prayer and praise.

Among the tokens of encouragement mentioned as occurtiog in SWEDBN, is the presence of His Majesty the King and His Royal Highness the Duke of Ostergothland, at the last mairersary of the Swedish Bible Society.

Turning next to Russia, the Committee say that there are few countries which the Christian regards with more longing desire and prayerful hope, than this vast empire. The recent change in the social position of the peasant class, the noble act of the present Emperor, is giving rise to a more deep and general conviction among the higher classes, of the urgent necessity of diffusing education extensively among the people, and there are evidences of a great desire among the laboring population to secure its advantages. The Sunday School movement continues, and other educational measures are being adopted as the result of voluntary enterprise. Thus it appears that the way is being prepared for the circulation of the Scriptures. It is to be regretted that the publication of the new version of the Bible in modern Russ proceeds so slowly. No part of the New Testament, except the Gospels, has yet appeared. The Committee learn that the work of printing the proof sheets of the other books of the New Testament is going on slowly, and it is said that the books of the Acts and the Epistles will be published separately in the course of the present year. Since the commencement of the printing of the new version of the Gospels they are informed that six editions, making in all upwards of 200,000 copies, have been printed. These Gospels, as well as the Slavonic Bibles and Testaments, are continually being sent out from the Synod's printing office to all parts of the empire.

Of Spain, the Committee say that the mind instinctively recoils from the consideration of the subject, which the mere mention of this country suggests in cennection with the Bible. We can but lift up the heart to God in prayer for his special interposition, when we remember that men are pining away in the damp solitude of their dreary prison-house, for no other offence than that of obeying God's command to seareh the Scriptures. If there be yet any noble feeling left in the
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country, the names of Matamoros, Alhama, and Trigo, ought to cause the burning blush of shame to suffuse every cheek; a shame which should deepen each day in its conviction, and become more intolerable in its burden, until liberty was proclaimed to those captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound. opening of the prison to

Italy has been of late years the centre of some of the most interesting efforts connected with Bible circulation. The Committee say that it is impossible even to east a hasty glance over this country, so long the scene of spiritual darkness and moral degradation, and to mark the contrast which exists between its present and its past condition, without exclaiming, "This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes." The work of Bible distribution is going on with very encouraging success in all the principal cities to which the Society has access. At Turin 4,600 volumes were sold the Genoa 7,000 copies ; and at Florence volumes were sold ; at are also actively employed in suce and Leghorn the depôts people. Of Naples, it is said supplying the wants of the which the Word of God was raid, that the excitement with Was doubtless occasioned, to received at this far-famed city, siderations. An indign, to a great extent, by political contraced by the people to thense of wrong long endured, and ance, must have had its ine source of priestly intolerreaction. We must not, influence in producing a violent still mingled with the fine therefore, wonder if much dross is fict between light and fine gold, nor be astonished if the conbelieveth will not make darkness is still severe. But he that ies, and eager to employ thaste ; 'prompt to discern opportuniCord's leisure, and neithem, he is yet content to tarry the est down by disappointment discouraged by opposition, nor th and labor of love. And this is the present position of
those who are endeavoring to produce an impression on the teeming population of this great city and its neighborhood.

From Malta, which is one of the most important depôts in the Mediterranean, no fewer than 13,952 copies of the Scripture have been issued. The sailors frequenting the port have been regularly visited, and Scriptures in various languages distributed among them. Not the least interesting part of this work is, that it is carried on gratuitously by one of the Dockyard police. The love of Christ is both the motive by which he is influenced, and the reward in which be delights.

The following is the testimony of a Russian naval officer to the efficacy of the Bible. The Agent states that an intelligent officer, who understood English, wished to know what object our Society had in view to induce them to take so much tronble, and to go to so great expense in disseminating the Scriptures? He was informed that the Society wished to put a copy of God's Word into the hands of every one who could read, so that great multitudes of every land, coming to a knowledge of the Truth, might be saved. He answered" One thing I know; formerly we had much trouble with the common man, the sailor, but since your books came on board they obey quickly and with pleasure, and that is the reasen we welcome you when you visit our vessels."

In reviewing the operations of the Agency in Turksy during the past year, the Committee regret to be compelled to notice a diminished circulation. They do so with the lese reluctance, because they are conscious that there have been various causes, beyond the control of their Agent, which hare contributed to produce such a result ; and not the least among these bas been civil war in America, which bas seriously cip pled the operations of the American Missionaries in Bibl
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circulation. Still it is cheering to know that the çause of the Gospel has been maintained, and that British Christians bave rendered no small assistance to their American brethren, in the prosecution of their noble enterprise.
Great hopes are entertained of the progress of the Truth among the Mabometans. One of the Agents writes that there is a silent work of enquiry going on, which is sapping the foundations of Mahometanism, and insensibly leading many thinking minds to the contemplation of the Gospel. When or how the result may be developed, none can tell ; but duty is ours, the results are with God, who, in due time, will give the Moslem also to be a jewel in the diadem of many crowns on the head of the Redeemer.
A number of interesting incidents are given of the work, extracted from the reports of the Agents, and the facts which are communicated lead to the hope that if the waters of the Euphrates are drying up, the waters of Life are gathering strength ; if the Crescent is waning, the Cross is being lifted up, and the beams of the Sun of Righteousness are bursting forth with renewed splendor.

Of India, the Committee say, that if we had only been true to our holy trust, this country might have become one of the brightest jewels in England's crown, and millions upon millions of her sons and daughters might even now be walking in the Light of the Gospel, and rejoicing in the glorious liberty of the children of God. God has given us India, not simply that we should set before its people the evidence of our greatness, or the refinement of our civilization, but that we should set before them Jesus in His dying love, and in His living grace, and bid them learn of Him who is meek and lowly of beart, and thus find rest unto their souls. The Committee are most thankful to be able to record their conviction thee soch an end has been kept prominently in view by those with
whom they are associated in that distant land, and that there are not wanting evidences that God is preparing the way for its glorioùs consummation.

The Calcutta Auxiliary has distributed 29,288 copies of the Scriptures, which are doing a great work. One of the most interesting issues in their circulation relates to a packet of two hundred Hebrew Bibles, forwarded by Dr. Lewenthal of Peshawar, to lBokhara, where they were eagerly purchased by the Jews. The Hebrew Scriptures now received in Bokhara by way of India, almost entirely supersede those formerly obtained by the route of Leghorn; and it is hoped that the New Testament may be introduced by the same roate into these dark localities.

Encouraging accounts are also received from the other Presidencies, and thus issues continue to be large, but how insufficient for the vast population for whom they are intended!

Cuina presents a mingled aspect of hope and disappointment. Did peace, say the Committee, prevail throughout that thickly peopled country, there is every reason to believe that the Word would be received with gladness, and that many guided by its light, would find their way to the Cross of Christ, and to a reconciled God and Father in Him. But as long as rebellion continues, and the horrors of war are experienced, laying waste an otherwise fruitful land, and calling into activity the worst passions of the people, all action for good seems well nigh paralysed, and the voice of God speabing in his boliness is almost unheeded.

They remark that wherever the influence of the Rebel Chief prevails, blasphemy, tyranny and misery but too clearly depict his assumption of power, his despotic sway, and the desolation which marks his course.

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It is to the region beyond the range of this rebellion, that their Agent chiefly looks with anxious expectation. Not that he would neglect the opportunity of softening down, if possible, the passions of the enraged multitude, and teaching them from the Book of God, the blessings of peace. But beyond the sweep of the storm's circuit, there is a purer and a calmer atmosphere, where the good seed will grow more readily. Hankow, one of the recently opened ports, situated on the great river, the main artery of China, and in the centre of the ten distriets, is one of these points, and is now regarded as one of the most advantageous positions for the operations of the Bible Society, which are beginning to be carried on with much encouragement. Tientsin, near Pekin, is another of these centres, and has been found admirably adapted for the circulation of the Scriptures among the Mongols and eserted far beyond the Great Wall of China.
$J_{A P A N}$ is spoken of most encourageingly in reference to Bible distribution. A present of the Word of God to the Japanese ambassadors recently in London, has been prepared, in the hope that these distinguished visitors may carry back with them to their country the most precious gift in the power of man to bestow. And that that country is ready to receiver the boon, is evident from the recent letters of the Agent in Japan, who speaks of the Bible being now distributed there nith great freedom.

Before adverting to the Home work of the Parent Society, itis pleasing to dwell for a moment upon the fraternal correspondence which has taken place between it and the American Bible Society. The parent Committee, feeling that financial derangement must be one inevitable result of political convuliive, and anxious to sympathize with their American brethren Wa season of trial, and to co-operate with them in sustaining
their great work of Bible distribution, placed at the disposal of the American Bible Society the sum of $£ 2,000$. This kind and generous offer was cordially acknowledged by the American Bible Society, but declined, as its finances had not been so depressed by the war as to render needful the proffered belp of the Committee. The correspondence which passed on this subject, and which is very interesting, serves to show the feeling of mutual good will and brotherly concord which exists between the two Societies.
In reference to the Home Defartment of the Society, it is gratifying to observe that the finances are in so prosperous a state. The ordinary receipts for the year amounted to $£ 167,684 \mathrm{1s} .4 \mathrm{~d}$. For special purposes the sum of $£ 759$ 14 s .1 d . have been received, making a total of $£ 168,443$ 15 s .5 d . The distribution of Bibles and Testaments has amounted to $1,595,248$, and the total issues of the Society have now reached to $40,910,474$ copies.

A reference is made to the Bible women, who now number 166, and by whom 8,363 copies have been sold, realizing the sum of $£ 917 \mathrm{~J} 8 \mathrm{~s} .10 \mathrm{~d}$. All friends of the Female Bible Mission, and readers of the " Missing Link," will be gratified to learn that this organization on behalf of the por and outcasts of the capital and large towns of England, is thus prospering and increasing in usefulness.

We now turn to matters connected with our own Auxiliary: The distribution of Scriptures during the past year has been as follows:

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| To Branch Societies and individuals, | 390 | 407 |
| To Ladies Associations, . |  | 4 |
| To Sabbath Schools, | 142 | 42 145 |
| To the poor, gratuitously, |  | 297 |
| Cash sales at Depository,. | 426 | 622 |
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Leaving a balance in hand, January 1st, 1862, of $£ 156 \mathrm{ls} .11 \mathrm{~d}$.
The Committee have great pleasure in stating that the son of their late Treasurer, Mr. Samuel H. Black, has kindly acceded to their wishes, and has consented to accept the office of Treasurer, which had been so long and efficiently filled by his late fathag.
They have also to state, that in connection with the Ladies' Bible Association of this city, and under the supervision of your Committee, their two Colporteurs, Mr. Alexander Russell and Mr. Fultz, bad been fully employed during the past year in the work of Bible distribution in different parts of the Provinge, and their efforts had been attended with considerable success. Since the commencement of the present year Mr. Fultz, having taken charge of another department of christian usefulness, has ceased to be connected with our Ausiliary as Colporteur. Mr. Russell has been continued, and your Committee bave been much gratified with his zeal and attention to the interests of the Auxiliary, and especially $t_{0}$ the great work of disseminating the Word of Truth throughout our population. The Committee of the Ladies' Association having expressed a desire that your Committee should take the entire direction of his labors, he has accordingly been appointed
agent for the Auxiliary, in the absence of Mr. Isaac Smith, who has been employed by the New Brunswick Bible Society to labor in their Province during the present year. The Committee have had every reason to feel gratified at this 0 arrangement. Mr. Bussell has made several tours since his appointment, visiting a number of the Byanch Societies, and seeking out more especially families who, in' the remoter districts, were without a copy of God's Word. His reports have been both interesting and encouraging; ${ }^{\circ}$ and your Committee have no doubt that, when published, they will be equally gratifying to their friends and patrons throughout the country.

Your Committee, while again expressing theirs thanks to the Ladies' Bible Associations in this city, and at Guysbo rough, for their efficient aid during the past year, cannot mention the last named Association, without adverting to the loss which they and your Committee have sustained by the death of their esteemed Secretary, Miss Charlotte A. Newton, who has so long exerted herself, in season and out oí season, in behalf of the Bible ; and whose letters, year by year, told of her undying love for the cause. Her last letter, which was published in last year's Report, alluded feelingly to the death of our late Treasurer, with whom she had corresponded for so many years;-she little knew then that she was to follow him so soon, that her labors were even then drawing to a close, and that the rest prepared for the people of God was shortly to be her portion. She has passed away to join those who have gone before, and we may bope that her example will stimulate those with whom she has been associated to follow in her footsteps.

Your Committee, in closing this Report, would again urge the claims of the Society upon all the friends of the Bible. They trust that some idea may be given, by the brief abstract which they have made, of the vast field which is now operated
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upon, and the impression which bas been made the circulation of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesis Christ ; and that their frieuds will thus be stimulated to renewed and increasing exertions in so good a cause. Public Meeting in its the 20th November last, the best The attendance was very torily sustained to the close.
H. B. Webster, Esq., President, took the Chair at 7, p.m. A hymn was sung, and then the Rev. Wm. Murray (Presbyterian) offered prayer. After that I read a Report, summarising the English Report for 1860 and making extracts. Then the President made a few remarks.
Rev. W. Furlong, with a very few observations, moved, and S. Lydiard, Esq, seconded, Resolution 1. Resolved"That the Report which has been read be adopted: and at the circulation of the Scriptures which have been vouchsafed to the Parent Society during the year past." been-vouchsafed Rev. W. Sommerville (Presbyterian) past." developing the idea that Peace is sorian) after an able speech, and Rev. W. Murray, with some sometimes an evil, moved, Rebels, seconded, Resolutione remarks about the Chinese meeting expresses its fervion 2. Resolved-"That this which have been occurring hope that the startling events be the means of still further on Continent of Europe may which this Society is engaged." promoting the great work in

Rev. T. Angwin, (Methodist,) with a strong recommendation of systematic giving, moved, and Rev. A. S. Hunt, after a speech, going fully into the points of the Resolution, seconded, Resolution 3. Resolved-" That the Officers and Committee be the same as last year. And that this meeting recognizes in the ever increasing extent of the Society's work an ever enlarging claim upon the zealous liberality of all Christian people, that resources may be furnished commensurate with the great work yet to be accomplished."

A'collection was then taken, which amounted to $£ 13 \mathrm{~s}$. $7 \frac{1}{2}$ d.
C. W. H. Harris, Esq., after a few remarks on the value of the Bible, moved, and G. A. Blanchard, Esq., with a neat complimentary address, seconded, Resolution 4. Resolved"That the warm thanks of this meeting be given to those gentlemen who have kindly responded to the invitation to advocate the cause of Bible circulation on this occasion."

The Doxology was then sung, the Benediction pronounced, and the meeting dispersed.

Subsequently a subscription list was taken round the Village, the result of which is given below.

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To S. L. Shannon, Esq.


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# REPORT OF MR. RUSSELL, THE AGENT, For Quarter ending April, 1862. 

Immediately after last meeting in January, I packed two boxes of books-one of which was forwarded to Truro, to be sent on to Earltown; the other box was taken to the New Guysborough road, opposite Meagher's Grant (a part of Musquodoboit which I had not visited with Bibles.) I proceeded first to Earltown.3 The great quantity of snow in that part of the country rendered travelling very laborious ; and the scattered plan on which the place seems to have been originally settled-each house, almost, having a separate road-caused a good deal of walking to reach the houses.
I remained in Earltown till all the books had gone. There was not here what could be called destitution of the Scriptures, yet, notwithstanding the great scarcity of money, I met a ready sale. So far as I could ascertain, at no place within 20 miles are Bibles kept on hand for sale. Hence, the opportunity of purchasing copies of the Scriptures at reduced prices, was largely embraced. Very few houses indeed, if any small change was within, but purchased a Bible or Tes-tament-perhaps both. I gave only one Bible away in this settlement, to a family who had no English one. In the house where they lived there was a Gaelic Bible, but it they could not read. I gave away a good many Testaments to the children in poor families. There are a few very poor families bere, and though each family had a Bible, the children were ill supplied. There is no deficiency now.
I was much struck on several occasions, with the peculiar way in which the old Highlanders manifested their respect for
the Book of God. In their houses they generally sit with their heads covered. But when I handed a Bible or Testament to be looked at, their hat or cap was laid aside ere the book was opened, and replaced on their head when the Bible was laid down.

Frequent enquiries were made in Earltown about Gaelic Bibles and Testaments. I wrote to Halifax for some, which were forwarded, and have been almost all sold-only two given away.

I then proceeded to Meagher's Grant, Lower Musquodoboit. When there, the heavy snow storms about the 20th February came on, which hindered me much. Some days I could not travel any ; and when I'did set out, I had at times to break a path myself. Often it was utterly impossible to keep the road, but selecting the places where the snow was least deep, cilimbing. fences, going through a field, sometimes on the right sometimes on the left side of the road, I managed to get along, and disposed of a bag-full of books in Meagher's Grant. When in this place I was told of two exceeding poor families in the woods, neither of whom had a Bible. My books were gone, and it was impossible to reach their houses, so I arranged to send a Bible and Testament to each, which I did

Having supplied Meagher's Grant, I went to a neighbouring place, called " Antrim Settlement." The weather had now changed. There had been a partial thaw, and some of the roads were so flowed that I could only visit part of this settlement. I disposed, however, of all my books ; but ere they had gone, walking tbrough the snow and wet roads hurt my right foot. For nearly a week I could hardly pull on my boot, and I had to rest a few days, - which time I wrote the Annual Report for 1861.

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While at River John, the snow storms of. last month retarded my work to a great extent. One week I could only travel part of two days. One morning, after travelling a mile, a sudden snow storm compelled me to return to my lodgings. The very stormy weather through the greater part of the past three months prevented several meetings. When in Earltown, my ignorance of Gaelic prevented my holding any there. But in several-and widely separate-localities, I have been privileged to visit several sick persons. In every case I read and prayed with them, and pointed out as clearly as I could, Him "who is able to save to the uttermost." After disposing of the books I had at River John, I returned to Truro. Here I had a few Testaments still, and borrowing some Bibles in Truro, which I have since replaced, (as I sarcely thought it worth while to send to Halifax for so few, I went to Kemptown, a settlement near Earltown. Here I found a family who had no Bible. Many here are very poor. I gave away some Bibles and Testaments.
Besides the houses in which there was no Bible, I was in Others in which, though there was a Bible, it was to some of
the family as if there was none. For example: On the road from River John to Point Brule, one poor old woman had lost her spectacles, and could not read the small print she had. On the same road, another shewed me her Bible with small print, which she could only, she said, read in a very clear day. Another in Kemptown shewed me three old small print and dim Bibles, but she could bardly read in either. Similar cases presented themselves. The persons were all old and poor. I supplied them all gratuitously. One day when standing in a store, an old man came in, looked earnestly at a Bible, and expressed a wish to be able to purchase it. I asked him if he had a Bible. He said he had one that ho read in when a boy at school; but, added he, " nearly all Genesis is gone." I made him glad by the gift of one.
In conclusion, I may state, that during the past three months I have visited 260 families and nine schools; walked 260 miles, and rode a still greater distance. I bave supplied 11 families with Bibles who had none, or but part of one. I have addressed five meetings. These meetings, from causes already stated, have been fewer than usual. I have neglected no opportunity that presented itself.

More and more I feel there is a necessity for bis work being carried on. Notwithstanding all the ground gone over, and I have, as directed, marked it all on the map, where it may be examined, many places yet remain to be visited. In Nova Scotia, connected with your plan of Colportage, it is indeed true, that " there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed."

Halifax, April, 1862.

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As soon after last meeting as the roads permitted I resumed my work. Having forwarded a quantity of books to Tatamagouche I proceeded thither. In the localities in the neighbourhood of that place I found conssiderable demand for copies of the Scriptures. Perceiving that the books were likely to be in a short time exhausted, I very soon after reaching Tatamagouche wrote to Halifax for a fresh supply. A bos was sent to Truro, but the road across the mountain was bad, and it was not forwarded. When the box had lain more than a week in Truro, and I had (though in vain) used every effort to get it over, I was obliged, when all my used reere sold and I had been a day or twe, when all my books ceed to Truro to see after the two unemployed, to prothat I got it forwarded then. the box. It was with difficulty rent, and the roads were so there were so many goods to be Ansios to prere so bad.
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in Pictou County, to Pugwash in Cumberland, I have visited all the Settlements on the coast, as well as those from five to seven miles back from the shore.

The past three months has, in every respect, been the most successful quarter since I commenced this work. The number of books, both sold and given gratuitously, exceed the number disposed of during any previous quarter. And when the great pressure of the times, owing to the unprecedented scarcity of money, is considered, this measure of success is much heightened. The distances travelled,--the number of families visited,--the number of families destitute of a Bible who have been supplied, and the number of meetings held-all exceed those of any former quarter. This ill appear when I state that during the past thre mon have rode 248 miles, walked 484 , visited 650 families and 17 schools, supplied 35 familes with Bibles who had none, and an equal number who had only part of a Bibile, delivered 23 addresses, and taken part in the services of 4 different Sabbath Schools; sold 206 Bibles, and given away 67 ; sold 193 Testaments, and given away 61 ; sold 2 copies of St. Matthew's Gospel, and gave away 3-disposed of in all 532 copies of the Word of Life.

The destitution of the Scriptures in some places visited was very great. In the extreme part of Point Brule, and in the extreme part of Cape John, on two separate days I was in five families which had no Bible. In the road from River John to West Branch there were four families who had no Bible. On the Lake road, up French River, there were three. In many other places one or two were to be found amounting in all, as above stated, to 35 . All of whom hart been supplied.)

Among the families who had but part of a Bible, some the books wanted only a little. In other families, but a fol leaves were remaining. These also have been all supplied.

Besides these families, I have strong suspicion there were others to whom I sold Bibles, who previously had none. In some cases neighbours assured me such was the fact. Many are ashamed, and no wonder, to admit they have no Bible. In one house, the mother, to my enquiry "have you a Bible ?", answered, "Oh yes, surely'we have a Bible," but the hesitatating manner in which she spoke raised the suspicion in my mind that she was uttering a falsehood. Her son, who was standing beside, looked earnestly at me and said, "We have no Bible." The mother, as if nothing unusual had been spoken, said, " Oh, haven't we, I thought we had."
In the part of Cape $J_{0 h n}$ so destitute, I spent a Sabbath and held two meetings, but comparatively few attended. Of all the places I have visited, the extremity of Point Brule seems the worst. The tone of morals is very low. The the people to come out to a meeting. On the following Sab. bath, دassisted by a friend, I commenced a Sabbath School in that quarter; which sehool I revisited on a subsequent SabWath. The ignorance of nearly all the children was deploraVi. Few knew their letters. I gave them a lesson in the lphabet. Hardly any of them knew the Lord's prayer, or wald tell me who Jesus Christ was. Of the God who made bem, and the Saviour who died for them, they had not the botest knowledge. I am happy to state that the Sunday chool is being kept up. Friends from Tatamagouche go ere every Sabbath, and I am not without hopes, but that a ys school will be established among them.
During last year several Roman Catholic families were fited as foriterly. Some received the word of God thankly, others scornfully rejected it. One Roman Catholic, an ensive ship-builder, said, "I have a Bible, I don't require 7, but-pointing to his ship-yard-go down to my men
there, and if any purchase Bibles I will pay you." I went, but sold only 'one, at which he expressed regret.

When at Tatamagouche there were two Indians who had come from Prince Edward Island, and were able to read. One was tried with a Bible, a few verses of which he read. Both got a copy. They promised to read them, and not give them to the Priest.

In one or two cases I heard of families who had no Bibles, which it was out of my power to visit-though I arranged that they were supplied. In West Branch, River John, I was informed of a man very poor, living in the woods far from neighbours, who, every Sunday he went, called for the loan of a Bible on his way to ehurch, which he returned on his way going home. My informant was the man who loaned the Bible. I left a Bible-writing the man's name on it, which would be given the first time he came to borrow.

At times various reasons are given in the families visited why no Bibles are in the house. Sometimes it is-"We hal a Bible, but the children took it to school and it was torn." Again-"We had a Bible, but my husband went to Sher brooke, and took it with him." One said, "Our house Was burned, and our Bible consumed in the flames, and we had no opportunity to get another.

To several orphan children I have given Bibles-some whose fathers had gone to California and died. I have nere in such cases refused an application for a Bible. Much gut titude has been expressed for these gifts. Oftener than ond the gift of a Bible to a fatherless lad has brought the tears in his mother's eyes, and in some cases the recipient has looke above the earthly to the Heavenly Giver. "Thank God f this," fervently exclaimed a poor woman when she had becoor the possessor of a new Bible.

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To the Committees of the Halifax Ladies' Bible Association and the Nova Scotia Auxiliary Bible Society.
The lapse of three months since (in addition to my previous Tries as Colporteur) I was appointed Agent of the N. S. Auxiliary Bible Society, reminds me that an account of my tenors is now required. I respectfully submit the following port:

In the month of July, during the fortnight that I had to at home, I addressed a meeting in Clifton, Truro, and I re little doubt but that a Branch Society will be formed On the 29th July I left Truro for Halifax, intending to

Bibles and Testaments had been forwarded. Though a fortnight before, when I was in Halifax, two Steamers had been going to Sherbrooké, I found both had discontinued sailing; and the Packet had left a few days ere I reached the city. In these circumstance I had to take the road through Musquodoboit. I staid a day there, but did not attempt to get up a meeting, as the people were busy with their hay. I arranged, however, to have a depot opened (there being no place in Musquodoboit where Bibles and Testaments were kept for sale) and at a more favorable opportunity convene a meeting.

When I reached St. Mary's I called on the Rev. John Campbell, the Presideht of the Branch Society there. By his kind assistance I was enabled to prosecute my work more successfully than I could have otherwise done. I went first to Sherbrooke,-visited the "Diggings" and disposed of a good many Bibles and Testaments; addressed a prayer meeting at the Diggings-the first that had been held on a week-day evening.

At Sherbrooke I wrote to Halifax for another supply of books. These reached just as the others had gone. I went with them to Wine Harbor, where I spent some days going through the Diggings there. Visiting also Indian Harbor and Indian Harbor Lake. From Stillwater, St. Mary's, to Indian Harbor Lake, there was hardly a house but I visited, besides the "Shanties," Pits, \&c., at the mines of Sherbrooke and Wine Harbor. At Sherbrooke I addressed a meeting on the claims of the Bible Society. The Sherbrooke anc St. Mary's Branch Society had been accustomed collecting every fall $£ 10$, which, as there were vessels going thence th London, they remitted dircetly to the Parent Society. said, while this plan helped the British and Foreign Bibl Society, it did not directly aid the Nova Scotia Auxiliary its efforts to circulate the Scriptures throughout Nova Scoti

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I have no doubt when the period comes round for this Branch Society to make its annual effort for the Bible Cause as much will be collected as formerly, and that it will be forwarded to the Society here. I may state that the Rev. Mr. Morrison, Missionary te Erromanga, who was present at the Meeting, gave a pound as his contribution to the good cause.
I had written for another supply of books to be forwarded by coach to Glenelg, St. Mary's. When I had finished at Indian Harbor, \&c., there were eleven Bibles and twelve Testaments unsold. These I left with A. \& D. McDonald, Sherbrooke, as the commencement of a depôt, and went to Glenelg, where my books had come. Spent several days visiting the houses in East and West Branches, Caledonia, de. In the latter place I formed a Branch Society. The season was a busy one, yet on two hours' notice I got a considerable number of people to assemble in a School house. On the following evening another meeting was held in another Sthool house seven miles distant. Several of those who had been at the first attending also the second meeting. Much interest was manifested. A Society was formed. The fol lowing Office Bearers were elected. Presided. The folMeDonald; V. P. Lere elected. President, Mr. John and Treasurer, Mr, Lauchlin McQuarrie, Esq. ; Segretary sobseribed; it was elexander Sutherland. About $£ 5$. were and if the amount expected that other $£ 2$ would be obtained, espect the balance will beribed, $£ 29$ s. $4 \frac{1}{d}$., was paid in, I Here also I made arra paid in the course of this month. not nearly enough of boements for opening a Depot. I had had I time to visit all tho to supply all St. Mary's. Neither to Guysboro. Ero the parts of it, as I wished to proceed ings at Glenelg St I left, however, I addressed two Meetgiety. St. Mary's, on the claims of the Bible So-
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of books to be forwarded, but I found when I reached Guysborough they had not come ; and from a letter which reached me, I learned that the packet had been missed by a few hours. I immediately wrote for some books to be sent by coach, and called on the Secretary and Treasurer of the Branch Society. He was from home, and I found little had been done for some time. The Ladies' Society, however, had been very active. In addition to their own, they bad obtained subscriptions from some who formerly contributed to the other Society. I regretted much that Miss Newton was not here. She had died some months before my visit. Few have had the interests of the Bible Society so much at heart as she had: it was one of the things for which she lived. Every effort she could put forth was cheerfully made. Literally she denied herself to promote the cause of the Bible Society. Her personal contributions, many of them secretly given, were, considering her means, very large. She is now beyond the reach of human praise, and it may not be qut of place to mention, that among the recorded subscriptions from Guysborough, in the Society's Reports-"Thy word is truth," £1 10s. ; Gospel St. John, vi. and $63, £ 1$; "Be still and know that I am Goø" 1 s . 101d.-all these were from Miss Newton, besides her annual subscription to which her name was affixed. Even in her last illness "she did what she could." The "ruling passion," was "strong in death." The day before her departure she urged the claims of the Bible cause on those who visited her, and charged them not to let the Society go down. Now "sbe rests from her labors, and her works do follow her." As the result in a great measure of the efforts she put forth, $£ 1688$. 6 d , nearly all of which had been subscribed and most of it collected, prior to my visit, were handed to me. In addition to this, I obtained at one of the meetings which I beld in Guysborough, $£ 17 \mathrm{~s} .8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$., besides $£ 111 \mathrm{~s}$. 6 d . for books which Miss N. had sold.

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Ere the books came from Halifax I went to Manchester and called on Mr. Steele the Secretary and Treasurer. I found nothing had been drne for years. Mr. S. and I tried to get up a Meeting, but we failed. I resolved, however, to try again. About ten days afterwards I returned, when I beld a Meeting, and re-organized the Society. Mr. Pyle was elected President, and Mr. Steele continued as Secretary and Treasurer. About 20 s. were subscribed. Efforts were to be made to forward it to Halifax during the present month. Before the books came I also went to Cape. Canso. The Treasurer had left, and nothing had been done for years. With the kind assistance of the Rev. Mr. Himmeon, I abpresent signed 20 s . ; and in the paper noted that a like sum mould be given annually, provided the Society was reorganined. It was arranged that Xshould hold another meeting bere. I retiurned next day to Guysboro', where my books by coach had come. But the packet had been detained, my time was getting on-and I telegraphed to Halifax to forward the trunk of books to Capo Canso there being a vessel sailing to that place.

With the small quantity of books which had been forwardel by Coach, I visited a number of families about Guysboro' and Manchester. Several coloured families, who were destitute of the Scriptures, were supplied. In all the River St. Mary's and Sherbrooke, I had found as family without a Bible, though some families had not such ${ }^{2}$ supply as they needed. I sold a large number, and gave varcely any away. At Indian Harbour, and Indian Harbur Lake, I found one or two families who had no Bibles. In the vicinity of Guysboro' I found some: in the neighbormod of Manchester I found some. All were supplied. On 5 road leading from Manchester to Tracadie, I' heard of tae families who had no Bibles. I would have liked to
visit them, but the limited time at my disposal, and the distance I would have had to travel prevented. $\mathrm{I}_{0}$ left some books with the Secretary of the Manchester Society, who promised to supply them. . The delay of the books hindered me much. I had borrowed every suitable Bible from the De t in Guyboro', these I afterwards replaced when the supply came.

At the Cove, a small settlement near Guysboro ${ }^{\prime}$, I addressed a meeting on the claims of the Bible Society. About 20 s. were subscribed-to be forwarded as soon as possible. The Rev. Mr. Porter, Baptist minister, assisted in procuring this. He, as well as the Rev. Mr. Martin and Rev. Mr. Tuttle of Guysboro', helped me much.

Having finished my work in Guysboro', a friend; Mr. Hart, took me in his carriage to Cape Canso. Formerly I had sailed down, and when returning had to walk upwards of 30 miles over a very bad road. I returned to Cape Canso on the 20th September. Spent several days there, and disposed of a good many books. I held several meetings. Assisted by the Baptist and Wesleyan ministers, the Society was reorganized: A. N. Whitman, Esq., was elected President; Mr. James Hart, V. P.; Mr. Thos. Cook, Secretary, and Mr. James Tate, Treasurer. About $£ 7$ was subscribed-of which $£ 510$ s. was paid ; and arrangements were made to have a depôt opened there.

From Cape Canso I proceeded in a vessel to Port Mul. grave. No Branch Society bad been ever formed here. I held a meeting; a Society was formed; office-bearers were appointed: W. O. Heffernan, Esq., President; Mr. Geo. B. Hadley, Secretary, and Mr. Jas. Bruce, Treasurer. Abore $£ 1$ was subscribed, of which 19 s .3 d . was paid; and arrange ments were made to have a depôt opened there.

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nothing for years. I held a meeting, but the evening happened to be rainy, and few assembleds $A$ subscription, however, was opened. I received $£ 110 \mathrm{~s}$. to the funds of the Society, besides $£ 4$ to be expended in Bibles and Testaments for the depôt there. Some present wished to have two Societies formed-one at Plaister Cove, and one at Ship Harbour. At a meeting to be held soon, the matter is to be settled. From Port Mulgrave I went to Antigonish. Hugh MeDonald, Esq., the Treasurer, informed me that very recently a subscription had been sent to Halifax. I held a meeting, but did not solicit subscriptions from those who had already, contributed. One gentleman, however, handed me a dollar. From Antigonish I returned to Truro-thence to Halifax.
I may mention that at all the meetings held an excellent spirit was evinced, and an anxiety manifested to help on this good work. The "hard times" prevented much being done. I was particularly pleased to see that whatever was contributed was cheerfully given. The details which I gave of the destitution of the Scriptures which I had witnessed and supplied in many parts of the country, were listened to with marked attention. In one or two cases Roman Catholies contributed to the cause.

From the office-bearers of the different Societies, and from many other friends in almost every place visited, I experienced much kindness. My expenses, though I travelled so much, were only $£ 7$ 1s. 2d. During the quarter now ended I have walked on foot 287 miles, rode 671 miles, sailed 75 miles, visited 343 families, addressed 38 different meetings, 15 of which were directly connected with the advocacy of the claims of the Society. I risited 4 Sunday and 11 Day Schools. I disposed of 210 Bibles and 241 Testaments, in all 451 copies of the Word of God. Supplied 20 families with Bibles who had none, and fully a larger number who had but part of a Bible. I sold

Bibles and Testaments to the value of $£ 1917 \mathrm{~s} .4 \mathrm{~d} .$, and obtained subscriptions to the amount of $£ 351$ s. 4 d.,

I have supplied a considerable number of Roman Catholics with the Scriptures during the past three months. One Sabbath at one of my meetings, I spoke, as I frequently do, on the Bible, shewed that it was God's word, and was " able to make us wise unto salvation." A Roman Catholic happened to be present, when he returned home he said, "I'll buy a Bible from that man to-morrow, just to see if it is such a book as he says it is." On Monday he did purchase one-a Bible with marginal references.

Accompanied by a Wesleyan minister, I went one day to an island where a number of Roman Catholic families live. The owner of the first house at which we called was absent. His neighbor, an Irish Roman Catholic, was seated at his door repairing a net. (That's an old occupation you have," said I. "Yes," he replied, "the Apostles used to do this." "I have got some books here," said I, " which tells us all about that-would you like to see them?" I handed him some. He looked at them, praised the books for their exceeding cheapness, bought one, and his neighbour returning, he urged him also to purchase a Testament, which he did. On that day we visited 10 Roman Catholic families. In almost every one either sold or gave Testaments. One woman in answer to my question, "Would you like to have a Bible ?" said, "I would like it, and yet I would not like it. You know," she added, looking me in the face, "we are not allowed to read these books." "Well," said I, "my good woman, the reading of this book can do you no harm, and may do you a vast amount of good." "I know that," she said, "I have no Bible, and I have no money to buy one." " Will you promise to read this," said I, " if I give it to you?" "I will," she replied. I gave her the book, which she thankfully received.
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