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MR. EDWARD STACEY.

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Capt. Stace, R. A.; Capt. Haultaine, R. A.; Capt. Wright, R. A.; Lieut. Newdegate, R. B.; Dr. Fraser, R. B.; Messrs. Wm. Ferguson, Jas. Stewart, George Hardy, A. Chown, Robert McCammon, R. M. Rose, M. A. Orme, C. Jenkins, G. Davies, J. J. Haines, Thos. Masson, W. Haldenby, James Thompson, James Gray, John Miller, A. Shaw, D. Shaw, James Farquhar, George Davidson.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

KINGSTON AUXILIARY SOCIETY.

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I .- That the object and Constitution of the British and Foreign Bible Society having the cordial approbation of this meeting, the "Auxiliary Bible Society of Kingston," be now revived and reorganized, for the purpose of co-operating with that Institution, in promoting the distribution of the Holy Scriptures, both at home and abroad.

II.—That conformably to the principles of the Parent Institution, the Bibles and Testaments to be circulated by this Society, shall be without note or comment, and those in the languages of the United Kingdom, of the authorized version only.

III.—That all persons subscribing 7s. 6d. per annum, or upwards, or £5 or upwards at one time, shall be members of the Society; that, nevertheless, the smallest subscription shall be thankfully received.

IV .- That the business of this Society shall be conducted by a President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretaries, Depositary, and a Committee, consisting of not less than ten other Members, and that five Members constitute a

V -That every Clergyman or Minister of the Gospel, who is a member of this Society, shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meetings of the Committee.

VI.—That the Committee shall meet once every three months, or oftener,

on some day to be fixed by themselves.

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

VIII.—That for the purpose of giving full effect to the benevolent design of the British and Foreign Bible Society, in their grant of the Scriptures for distribution among the poor, the Committee shall make it their business to enquire, either personally or by means of Bible Associations, what families or individuals residing within their several sections are in want of Bibles and Testaments; and that it shall be the duty of the Committee to furnish them therewith, at the Society's lowest prices, or otherwise, according to their circumstances.

IX .- That for the still further promotion of the circulation of the Scriptures, it is expedient to encourage the formation of Branch Societies within the sphere of this Auxiliary, in such places as may not be sufficiently populous to form Auxiliary Societies of their own; such Branch Societies, and the individual Members thereof, to be entitled to the same privileges from the Auxiliary Society, as it and its individual members enjoy from the Parent Institu-

X.—That such persons as may not find it convenient to become Members of the Auxiliary Society, or any one of its Branches, shall, upon forming themselves into Bible Associations, and sending a copy of their rules to the Committee, be entitled to purchase at the Depositary of this Society, under the direction of the Committee, copies of the Scriptures on the same terms as Subscribers to the Auxiliary.

XI.—That all Clergymen and other Ministers within the sphere of this Society, making collections in their respective congregations in behalf of the Institution, shall be entitled, on remitting such collections to the Treasurer of this Society, to receive Bibles and Testaments to an amount not exceeding one half of the said respective collections, at the Society's lowest prices, as shall be found to be needed by the poor in the vicinity; such return of Bibles and Testaments to be claimed within one year from the remittance of the collection. It is recommended, in all practicable cases, to supply the poor by sale, rather than by gift.

XII.—That a General Meeting of the subscribers be held on the third Monday in January in each year, when the accounts shall be presented, the proceedings of the past year stated, a new Committee appointed, and a Report agreed upon, to be printed under the direction of the Committee, and

circulated among the members.

XIII.—That in the formation of the new Committee, the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretaries, Depositary, and such three-fourths of the other members as have most frequently attended the Committee, shall be re-eligible for the ensuing year.

RULES FOR BRANCH SOCIETIES.

I.—That the object and constitution of the British and Foreign Bible Society, having the cordial approbation of this meeting, we form ourselves into a Society in connection with that Institution, through the medium of the "Kingston Auxiliary vible Script," for the purpose of contributing towards the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, without note or comment—and that this Society be denominated "the Branch Bible Society of———"

II —That conformably to the principles of the Parent Institution, the Bibles and Testaments to be circulated by this Society shall be without note or comment, and those in the language of the United Kingdom of the author-

ized version only.

III.—That all persons subscribing five shillings, or upwards, per annum, shall be members of this Society; and that all donations be thankfully re-

IV.—That the business of this Society shall be conducted by a President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Depositary, and a Committee, consisting of not less than twelve other members, and that five members of this committee constitute a quorum.

V.—That every Clergyman or minister, who is a member of this Society, shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meetings of this Com-

mittee.

VI.—That the Committee shall meet every third month, or oftener, on

some day to be fixed by themselves.

VII.—That the Committee divide the County into sections, and appoint two or more of their members for each section, who may associate with themselves any subscribers, for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions and donations from the inhabitants thereof, and that they establish proper agents and correspondents in different parts within the limits of this Branch Society.

VIII.—That the whole of the subscriptions and donations received by this Society shall be applied, after deducting incidental expenses in the first instance, to the purchase of a certain number of Bibles and Testaments from the Kingston Auxiliary as are required for local distribution, and that the surplus funds shall be remitted to the Parent Society through the Kingston Auxiliary. That the members of this Society shall be entitled to the privilege of purchasing from its Depository, Bibles and Testaments on the same conditions as the members of the Parent Institution, namely, to five times

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X—That such persons, within the sphere of this Society, as shall be desirous of forming themselves into Bible Associations, shall, on sending a copy of their Rules to this Committee, be entitled to purchase at the Depository of this Society, under the direction of the committee, copies of the Scriptures at prime cost, for gratuitious distribution or sale among their poorer

neighbors.

XI.—That all Clergymen and Ministers within the sphere of this Society, making collections in their respective congregations in behalf of this Institution, shall be entitled, on remitting such collections to the Treasurer of this Society, to receive Bibles and Testaments to an amount not exceeding one-half of the said collections, estimated at prime cost, as shall be found to be needed by the poor in the vicinity: such return of Bibles and Testaments to be claimed within one year from the remittance of the collection. It is recommended, in all practicable cases, to supply the poor by sale rather than by gift.

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THE GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING of the Kingston Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Bible Society, was held on Monday Evening, the 19th January, in the City Hall. John Counter, Esq., in the Chair.

Prayer having been offered by Rev. A. Lorimer; the Home Secretary, Rev. K. M. Fenwick, read the Report. The following resolutions were then unanimously passed:

I. Moved by Rev. J. Machar, D. D.; seconded by Capt. Wright, R. A.,

Resolved,—That the Report now read be received, printed and circulated, under the Direction of the Committee: and that the following Ministers and Gentlemen, be the Office-Bearers for the ensuing year:—

President—John Counter, Esq. Vice Presidents—Rev. J. Machar, D. D.; Lieut. Col. Lawrence; John Mowat, Esquire. Treasurer—Andrew Drummond, Esq. Secretaries.—Foreign Corresponding Secretaries—Rev. R. V. Rogers; Rev. R. F. Burns. Home Corresponding Secretary—Rev. K. M. Fenwick. Recording Secretaries—N. McLeod, Esq.; Charles Hales, Esq. Depositary—Mr. Edward Stacey. Committee—Ministers of the Gospel who are members of the Society; Captain Stace, R. A., Captain Haultaine, R. A., Capt. Wright, R. A., Lieut! Newdegate, R. B., Dr. Fraser, R. B., Messrs. Wm. Ferguson, James Stewart, George Hardy, Arthur Chown, Robert McCammon, R. M. Rose, M. A. Orme, C. Jenkins, George Davies, J. J. Haines, Thomas Masson, W. Haldeuby, James Thompson, Jas. Grey, John Miller, A. Shaw, D. Shaw, James Farquhar, G. Davidson.

II. Moved by Captain Stace, R. A., seconded by George Davidson, Esq.,

RESOLVED,—That as the Bible alone reveals the way of salvation, and contains the only authentic record of God's will, in reference to human conduct, its circulation devolves on every Christian, at once as a privilege and a duty.

III. Moved by Rev. S. D. Rice, seconded by James Thompson, Esq.,

Resolved,—That the success which has attended the operations of the Kingston Auxiliary, and the self denying labours of the Ladies' Bible Association: demands gratitude to God, increased liberality, and still more vigilant effort.

IV. Moved by Rev. R. V. Rogers, seconded by Dr. Fraser, R. B.,

Resolved,—That the establishment of Branch Societies, and especially the employment of pious and faithful men as Colporteurs, have the cordial approval of this meeting, and are regarded as agencies not more calculated, (with the blessing of God,) to extend the sphere of the Society, than to meet the wants of our country and our times.

Douglass Prentiss, Esq., having requested Dr. Machar to take the Chair,

V. Moved, seconded by William Ferguson, Esq.,

That the cordial thanks of this meeting be presented to his Worship the Mayor, for so ably presiding on the present occasion.

Closed with the Doxology and the Benediction.

REPORT.

THE BIBLE is not only divine in its origin, but a divine agency must be recognised in its preservation and its spread.-It has the hoar of ages upon it, and while rendered venerable by its antiquity, its history cannot be traced without inspiring the Christian mind with devout confidence. Monuments of human power, and efforts of human genius of a far more recent date have been swept away, leaving no trace of their existence; but the word of Gop, "which liveth and endureth for ever," still maintains its place, and never has its circulation been so exten-

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By the individual and united efforts of Christian men, the destitute in nominally Christian lands, have been supplied with the Word of Life, and by faithful translations, nearly one hunddred and fifty different nations are now able to read in their vernacular tongues, the wonderful works of Gop." The influence of the BIBLE is thus widely diffused. Its holy light is falling gently, but with power, on many portions of our world; whilst its quickening doctrines are transforming vast numbers of our fellow-men some of them once amongst the most benighted and debased of the human family. Secret and silent in its operations, it is destined to achieve still mightier results. It may have to grapple with the false philosophies of the intellect, and the infidelities of the heart,—it may be excluded from the cabinets of statesmen, and spurned from the conclaves of priests,-but no power can prevent its triumph. As it is the light of the past, so is it the hope of the future.

To aid in the circulation of the Word of God is the design of the BIBLE Society, and in rendering their report for the past year, the Committee of the Kingston Auxiliary rejoice that they are able to congratulate their constituents on the large measure of success which the God of the Bible has been pleased to bestow on their feeble efforts. Never has the Society been in more prosperous circumstances. Never was greater prudence and zeal required in its officers, or greater liberality from its supporters. Care must be taken least our very success prove a While your Committee would, therefore, call on the friends of the Bible to cherish devout gratitude, they earnestly hope, that instead of seeking repose, the Society will be stirred up to greater exertion; that instead of resting satisfied with what it has already attained, it will press on towards the mark of the prize of its high calling. The claims of humanity are ever urgent, but in our case these claims are enhanced by the times in which we live, and the critical juncture in the history of our country, in which by divine providence we are placed.

To increased devotedness in the cause of truth, another motive is supplied by the removal from our midst, of two of the Committee. One, Capr. Desborough, has been transferred to another part of "the field," and has carried with him the love and esteem of those, who, for a time, were his fellow-labourers; the other, the late Mr. Daniel McLeod, is now "absent from the body, but present with the Lord." May we emulate his consecration to the cause of the Redeemer, and work while it is day.

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We now proceed to review the history of the past year; the first thing which claims our attention is the

DEPOSITORY.

Convinced that special effort was necessary to reach the country population, your Committee have endeavored to enlarge their sphere of usefulness, by adopting the system of Colportage, and by the formation of Branch Societies. These new efforts, if successful, would necessarily augment the duties of the Depositary, and consequently, the expediency of giving this department a thorough review, was generally felt. After mature and deliberate examination it was thought, that if the operations of the Society were to be in any measure commensurate with the wants of the surrounding country, a Depositary wholly devoted to the interests of this and the Tract Society, would be requisite; and it was also suggested, that if a suitable individual could be obtained, who would fill this office, and at the same time discharge the duties of a Travelling Agent, assistance might be expected fr m the Parent Society-similar grants having been made to the Societies in Toronto and Montreal. A correspondence was accordingly opened with the Society in London, and although the Committee did not think it advisable for the present to assist in supporting a Travelling Agent, a grant of £30 sterling, in aid of a seperate Depository, was the gratifying result. Premises were taken in Princess Street, and after the necessary repairs were made, Mr. WILLIAM CLARKE, entered on his duties as Depository, on the 23rd August. Fearing, however, that confinement would injure his health, he resigned his office, and was relieved on the 30th October, by his successor, Mr. EDWARD STACEY.

DEPOSITARY'S REPORT.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

With the increased issue, there is a corresponding increase in the funds. For the past year, according to the Treasurer's Account, the total receipts amount to £238 10s 3\frac{1}{4}d.; the disbursements are exactly equal to the receipts. A considerable sum for Stock is still due the Parent Society, but otherwise, the Stock in the Depository's clear.

LADIES' BIBLE ASSOCIATION.

This valuable association not only maintains its honorable position, but is distinguished by increasing vigour and enterprise. Not satisfied with having widely circulated the Holy Scriptures throughout the City, by the self-denying labour of its distributors; a Colporteur has been wholly supported by the Association, for the circulation of the Bible in the country. By their admirable Report, which will soon be published, we learn that besides 414 copies of the Scriptures sold by their Colporteur in the Country, they have distributed 130 copies in the City. Their income has been for the year £87 14s. 6d.; their expenditure £50 8s. 2d., leaving a balance of £37 6s. 4d. in the hands of the Treasurer. Surely the exhibition of so much devotedness and perseverance, will have a salutary influence on the supporters of our own Society. The Lord will reward their "work of faith and labour of love."

COLPORTAGE.

(EXTRACTS FROM REPORT OF PARENT SOCIETY.)

Before giving a statement of what the Kingston Society has done through this important kind of Agency, we submit a few short, but interesting extracts on this subject, from the Report of the Parent Society, trusting that they will at once prove the

fitness of this instrumentality for extensive usefulness, and shew that it has the blessing of God resting on it. ifie

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"In France, a poor man employed in mending the roads, said to a Colporteur who met him by accident, "Ah, my dear friend, if you knew with what happiness I hail every Sunday! because then I can devote the whole day to reading and meditating on the good Word of God. Formerly, after having amused myself at Mass, I spent the remainder of this holy day in public houses: now my Sunday is such a happy day, all for myself,—not for myself alone, since I am with my Lord. I have three good and sweet meetings,—m rning, noon and night. I read and pray, read and pray again, and it does me more and more good, and it always seems new to me." He then related that the Testament which gave him so much happiness, had been sold to him long ago, by a hawker, with whom he had some conversation during a storm, in his hut on the high road."

"Some days ago, a Colporteur, weary and overcome by the heat, was walking on one of the roads of the Department d'Indre et Loire. He sat down under the shade of some large trees near the road, and placing his heavy bag, filled with Bibles and Testaments, at his feet, he had taken out a copy, and was refreshing his soul by reading it. Scarcely had he begun to read, when he heard a voice saying to him from the other side of the hedge, "I am also on your side." Turning round, he saw through the gap of the hedge the face of a woman expressing the greatest satisfaction. "Yes, I am on your side," said the woman, making her way through, and sitting near our friend. "I saw by your bag and by the holy book you have in your hand, that you are one of that small band of good Christians, who endeavour to diffuse the knowledge of the Saviour, by the circulation of his word. It is through them that my husband and I have been brought to Jesus Christ, believing all he teaches, and rejecting all he does not teach.""

"While one of our friends at a market place, was about to shew his books to some people who collected round him, he fell in with a Gendarme. This policeman, with a frowning look and harsh words, bid the Colporteur shew his papers. Our friend opened his knapsack, in order to get out his authorization. When the Gendarme saw the Bibles and Testaments, he unbent his brow, and patting with much familiarity the Colporteur's shoulder, said to him, "The Bible, sir, is the best passport. I will certainly not prevent you from prosecuting your work; I know the Bible, I read and love it; it has done me much good,—would to God that it might be so with all the people around you."

We can only admit another extract:-

"A German Colporteur writes:—"In a house where I sold a Testament, I was shown a volume which had been bought of me twelve months before, and which was so worn out, that I could not help expressing my astonishment, and asked the people how it was possible for a Bible to be worn out in so short a time. "Yes," replied the man, "it is possible, if it is always in use."

We now submit a short statement of what has been done by the Kingston Society, through this kind of Agency.

In last Report it was intimated that the Committee had resolved, in conjunction with the Committee of the Tract Society, to employ a Colporteur, and had taken steps to obtain one qual-

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ified for this important and promising sphere of labour. Mr. Thomas Morton was engaged and equipped. He entered on his mission on the 4th of February. Adolphustown was assign-He continued his labours for six months, ed him as his field. during which period he sold 312 Bibles, 419 Testaments,-731 total volumes. Having been only engaged for the above period, the Committee were of opinion that the state of his health was such as to render it impossible for him to do justice to the interests of the Society, and therefore did not re-engage him. Mr. John Campbell was appointed his successor. He commenced his work on the 29th of September. He has visited Wolfe Island, and is at present labouring successfully in the County of Leeds. From the time of his engagement, to the 1st of January, 1852, he has received from the Depository, 459 Bibles, 324 Testaments,—783 total volumes. Besides the two Colporteurs employed in union with the Tract Society, we advert, though briefly, to the one employed by the Ladies' Association. Mr. Alexander Henry entered on his work on the 12th August, and continued up to the 30th October, when his labours were suspended by sickness. During the above period he sold 169 Bibles, 245 Testaments,—414 total volumes.

The Reports which the Colporteurs have sent to the Committee, clearly establish the need of such an Agency, and the success which has attended their labours must be regarded as a sufficient warrant for their continued support. The people among whom they have been labouring, have very generally treated them with respect, and have manifested a becoming hospitality. Apart from the good directly arising from their circulation of the sacred volume, the influence which, (if true to their mission,) they exert on the community, must be very salutary. "A word spoken in due season, how good is it." Our limits will only admit a few extracts from their Reports.

"I have visited," writes Mr. Henry, "all the inhabitants of——that I could find. I found some who had neither Bible nor Testament, some who had only the Testament; most of them who acknowledged that they had none supplied themselves, and I did not find any so destitute of means as to justify me in giving any gratis—the people in general are very hospitable."

"H——— is but thinly settled, and a very rough place; but the people who did not have the Scriptures, were very willing to supply themselves, so far as their means allowed them."

Mr. Morton writes:—"While at the house of ———————————————————, there came in two women who were anxious to purchase a Bible. While speaking on the salvation of the soul, I perceived one of them was much disturbed in mind—she was an anxious enquirer. I pointed her to the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

"At a house some distance from the road, sold one Bible and two Testaments; the people expressed their thankfulness that the people of Kingston thought of them, and sent them the "pearl of great price.""

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"I visited," writes Mr. Campbell, "a Roman Catholic family. The parents could not read, but their children could. The old people were not at home. After conversation with a young girl, I engaged in prayer with her. She knelt down and made her brothers kneel down with her. After prayer, she asked me if I had a Testament for three-pence. I gave her one for that sum, which she gladly received. I was told afterwards that her sisters had renounced Romanism, and I met her mother the day before yesterday, in a family I visited. She said she was glad I had given her daughter the testament, and added, "She reads it every day, and I hear her reading it: I am very glad you gave my daughter the testament." "

"I had the privilege of reading a portion of the Scriptures and engaging in prayer, night and morning, with those I have lodged with," writes Mr. Henry.

Thanks are due the Rev. H. Gordon, of Gananoque, for the counsel, encouragement and valuable assistance he has rendered to Mr. Campbell. We make the following extract from a letter recently received from him:—

"I may notice that I did all in my power to assist Mr. C., the Colporteur employed by the Kingston Society, in his useful labours, which have been very successful. The demand for Bibles and Religious Books, has been truly gratifying, and surpassing all my expectations. This mode of going personally from house to house, all experience attests, is by far the most effective and beneficial: and as far as I can learn and judge, your agent has discharged, and is discharging, his duties with great earnestness, prudence and success."

GRANTS.

On the 12th May, a grant of £10 Stg. was voted to the Parent Society, to aid the Committee in their efforts to circulate the Scriptures amongst foreigners at the Great Exhibition in London: the Ladies' Bible Association wishing to assist in this object, granted £2 10s. Stg., which reduced the grant to £7 10s. Stg., equal to £9 3s. Currency. Six Testaments have been also granted to a Sabbath School in Littsburgh, and Ten Bibles and one Testament to the Provincial Penitentiary.

BRANCH SOCIETIES.

The system of Colportage is principally designed to meet the wants of our rural districts; but where the population is more concentrated, as in Towns and Villages, another class of Agency is required. Hence the establishment of Branch Societies in such localities. For many years the Kingston Auxiliary has almost limited its activity to the City; while the Toronto and Montreal Societies, more energetic and enterprising, have enlarge-

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ed their operations, until the field which we should have occupied, has fallen into their hands. We wished to redeem our character, and reclaim our hereditary possessions. We would not, however, retake by strife, what had been won by the energy of christian philanthropy. Our banner is love, and our warfare is not carnal. A correspondence was accordingly opened with both Societies. From Toronto, as intimated in last report, our application received a generous response; from Montreal the reply was fraternal, although a little of goally jealousy as to the stability of our revival, was affectionately intimated. Thus encouraged and stirred up, a correspondence was opened in several localities, and we have the prospect of having, before another Annual Report is rendered, a large increase of important branches. Three have now to be mentioned as in connection with our Society:—

- 1. Belleville Branch, was formerly connected with the Upper Canada Society, but was transferred to ours on the 13th January, 1851. It has received from the Depository during the year, 140 Bibles, 88 Testaments—Total, 228 volumes. Its Annual Meeting was held on the 5th January, 1852. The Rev. R. F. Burns appeared at the Meeting, as a delegate from this Society. By the Report we find that 114 Bibles and 245 Testaments have been sold during the year, and 31 Bibles have been granted to Hotels, making a total issue of 390 volumes. Stock on hand, 168 Bibles, 351 Testaments.
- 2. Gananoque Branch, was organized under auspicious circumstances in March 1851, by a Deputation sent from the Committee. It has received during the year, 61 Bibles and 46 Testaments—107 Volumes. Rev. H. Gordon, in behalf of the Secretary, writes, "Soon after the formation of our Society, we prepared and circulated very widely, a brief appeal to bespeak and secure interest in the objects of the Society. A Depositary was established at Gananoque, for the sale of Bibles, where a considerable number have been sold." "We have not yet had a General Meeting, but we intend to have one before the sleighing goes away." The labours of the Colporteur, have, perhaps, in the meantime, diminished the sale in the Depository; but as both of these means are perfectly congenial, the success of the one is carrying out the purposes of the other.
- 3. Picton Branch.—This important Branch was also formerly connected with the Upper Canada Society. Its union with our Society was only effected on the 7th of January, 1852. An

extract from a letter of its respected Secretary, will give a general idea of its present condition:—

"I am not able at present," he writes, "to give such a statement of the affairs of our Society as would shew our actual position, owing principally to the fact that the Collections for the past year have not yet been completed.—The duty of collecting is performed chiefly by the Ladies' Committee, and circumstances have this year caused some delay. I may, however, state generally, that we are entirely free from debt, and have, independently of the collections for 1851, a sum of about £12 on hand, applicable to the purchase of books, which we now require to keep up our stock."

DEPOTS.

BARRIEFIELD continues under the charge of Mr. Forbes. He has received during the year, 15 Bibles and 12 Testaments.

Portsmouth, under the charge of Mrs. Moodie, has received 19 Bibles and 21 Testaments.

STORRINGTON, under the charge of Miss King, has not received any during the year, but several copies have been sold, and a new stock is ordered.

WILLIAMSVILLE, under the charge of Mr. J. Coward, has received no new supply.

BRITISH & FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Still advancing in her career of usefulness our noble Parent is labouring with unflagging zeal. During the past year severe loss has been sustained in the official department. "Mr. Cockle the faithful Depositary died towards the end of October; before the close of December its invaluable Clerical Secretary was numbered with the dead, and within a few short weeks the remains of the noble and venerable President were laid beside those of Mr. Brandram, "These all died in faith."" We cannot even glance at the vast field occupied by this truly Catholic Society. The following extract taken from its last Report, will however indicate the character of its past year's history. "The floods" of opposition have in some quarters lifted up their voices, the floods have lifted up their waves, but the Lord on high has shewn Himself mighter than the voice of many waters, yea than the mighty waves of the sea. The Society has maintained its ground. "Blessed be our Rock." Nor has success been wanting. The receipts have largely increased: its issues have not been less; while gratifying intelligence from almost every part of the globe confirms the belief that our labour is not in vain in the Lord."

The Bible has been published directly or indirectly in 148 different languages. The number of versions is 175. Of these 21 are Translations never before printed. The issues of the year

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ending May, 1851, amounted to 1,137,617 copies, being an increase of 922 copies over the preceding year, and making the total, since the commencement of the Society's operation, 24,247,667. The total receipts for the year, £103,330 2s. 8d. Its expenditure £103,543 10s. 10d.

UPPER CANADA BIBLE SOCIETY.

This important Society maintains its honorable place among the Religious Institutions of Canada. Year by year its influence and usefulness increase. By its Report for the year ending March, 1851, we learn that its issues amounted to 16,393 copies; exceeding the previous year's issues 2,797 copies, and making a total issue of 155,887. Its receipts amounted to £1399 0s. $0\frac{1}{2}$ d.; its expenditure to £1506 6s. 6d., and the value of its gratuitous distribution to £58 3s. 1d.

MONTREAL AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY.

This Society is doing a good work in a section of the Province, where, from the prevalence of Romanism, the Bible is much required. Its issues for 1850 amounted to 7,407, making a total issue of 132,512 copies. Its income was £1,071 10s. 4d. Its expenditure, £1010 4s. 4d., and the value of its gratuitous distribution, £106 1s. 1d.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Although neither the issue nor the income of this Institution has been so extensive during the past year, as during the year preceding it, there is ample cause for gratitude and encouragement, furnished by its Annual Report. It has issued during the year 209,281 Bibles, and 382,611 Testaments, making a total of 592,432 copies, and an aggregate since the formation of the Society, of 7,572,967 copies of the Scriptures. Its gratuitous issues amount in all to 38,427 copies. Its receipts amount to \$276,882, 53 cents.

CONCLUSION.

Before concluding their Report, the Committee have to advert to a matter relating to their late Depositary, Mr. George Brown. At the time he stopped payments, he was due the Society the sum of £48 10s. $5\frac{1}{2}$ d. To prevent any loss to the Society, the Committee have assumed the debt and advanced the money. They sincerely regret the occurrence of such an event, but having saved the Society from injury in the present instance, they have also taken measures to prevent the occurrence of a similar evil.

We have also cheerfully to notice, before closing, the liberality of an old friend to the Society. Dr. Mair, although removed to a distance, has not forgotten those Institutions which, when in Kingston he so generously supported, we have to acknowledge the receipt of £4 for the use of the Kingston Bible Society, which he and his family have contributed; and when it is known that the sum contributed by his children is the result of voluntarily impossed self denial, the gift will be all the more highly prized.

Another year has thus closed. With gratitude we recognise the divine favour which has rested on so feeble efforts to extend the circulation of the Word of God. The Bible on the lowest calculation, is now in the possession of many who, but for your Society would have been without it. Faith assures us of something more. It will not return void it will accomplish its hallowed mission.

The past year in our history may be characterised as one of preparation. We are now ready for work. May the power of weighty motives be felt. May the Love of Christ constrain. There is no time for slumber. As Patriots, as Philanthropists, as Christians, we are under obligations the most solemn, to send with unsparing liberality, to the destitute in our land, this Manual of our world's liberty, this Catholicon of human wo, this Charter of Man's Salvation. Infidelity and superstition will have their emissaries. They are already abroad. Let them grow rampant; then farewell to social happiness and national prosperity—that which alone can exalt will be wanting—and our liberties, civil and religious, violated, if not ignominously lost. But we should look still higher than to our sublunary interests, precious as these are. If the Bible should be driven from our homes, or supplanted by fiction and fable, or the crude productions of an infidel philosophy; the life and immortality brought to life by the gospel, will again descend into the dark region of speculation—the doctrine of the Cross be expunged from our creed, and the hope of a "crown of life" perish from our faith. But our trust is in God. "He will redeem our soul from deceit and violence." There is "a handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains, the fruit thereof shall shake' like Lebanon, and they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth."



ABSTRACT OF ISSUES FROM THE DEPOSITORY OF THE AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY OF KINGSTON, From 1st January, 1851, to 8th January, 1852.

Date.	Depositary.								otal Issues.		
1851.									b. Tes. Totl.		
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Total Issues,									66 1919 3585		

STOCK IN DEPOSITORY ON 8th JANUARY, 1852.

Bibles.	Value,	Testaments.	Value.	Total Volumes.	£	s.	d.	
2064	266 12s. 6½d.	1954	£55 2s. 3d.	4018	321	18	91	

EDWARD STACEY, DEPOSITARY.

Examined and found correct.

(Signed,)

Kingston, 8th January, 1852.

WM. FERGUSON, AUDITORS.



AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY OF KINGSTON.

GENERAL STATEMENT ON 8th JANUARY, 1852.

Assets.	CONTRA.
By Stock of Bibles and Testaments of Society in Depository on 8th January, 1852. Value at selling prices, - 321 14 9\frac{1}{2} Stock in Depots,	14 per
By Balance 209 5 11	

Kingston, 8th January, 1852.



CHARLES W. JENKINS, AUDITORS.

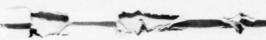
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JOHN MOWAT, CHARLES W. JENKINS, AUDITORS.

D. PRENTISS, TREASURER.





BRANCH SOCIETIES AND DEPOTS CONNECTED WITH THE AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY OF KINGSTON.

NAMES.	PRESIDENTS.	TREASURERS.	SECRETARIES.	st Jar and St 18	n.,	1851, an.,	from t	he 1s	t Jan.
Barriefield Depot. Belleville Branch. Gananoque Branch.	Rufus Holden, M. D. Hon. J. McDonald.	Mr. Forbes. James Harrisen. W. S. McDonald.	Rev. W. Gregg. — McElroy.	15 140 8 61 4	82	228 107			
Kingston Ladies' Bible Association. Picton Branch.	Mrs. Machar. John P. Roblin, Esq.	Mrs. McGibbon. Mr. Pior.	Miss Sampson. Miss F. Dupuy. C. S. Patterson, Esq.]	120	29	15	111
Portsmouth Depot. Storrington Depot. Williamsville Depot.		Mrs. Moodie. Miss King. Mr. J. Coward.		31	36	61			919



ISSUES OF COPIES OF THE SCRIPTURES.

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

					Вів.	TES.	TOTAL.		
From	26th Feb.,	1830,	to 4th Jan.,	1831.	348	583	931		
"			to 1st June,		283	354	637		
"	1st June	, 1832,	to 1st June,	1833.	120	243	363		
"		1833,		1834.		120	214		
"	"	1834,	"	1835.	81	197	278		
46	44	1835,	"	1836.	105	235	340		
"	46	1836,	"	1837.	128	267	395		
"	"	1837,	44	1838.	112	62	174		
66	66	1838,	"	1839.	161	97	258		
"	44	1839,	66	1840.	88	93	181		
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66	5th Dec.		5th January,			538	855		
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SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

TO THE

AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY OF KINGSTON.

SUBSCRIPTIONS UNDER 2s. 6d., IN THE AGGREGATE AS BELOW.

COLLECTED IN SYDENHAM WARD BY

CAPT. HAULTAIN, R. A., AND MR. W. FERGUSON.

Wm. Ferguson, #	21	5	0 Mrs. Hamilton,	1	5	0 A. Drummond,	10	0
			0 N. Palmer,	1	0	0 W. Leslie,	10	0
John McPherson,	1	5	0 Colin Miller,	1	0	0 Rev. R. F. Burns,	10	0
John Watkins,	1	5	O Thomas Masson,		12	6 John Carruthers,	10	0

Samuel Muckleston, I Francis M. Hill,	0 S. D. Fowler, 0 Robert Hendry,	5 0 D. Sinclair, 2 6 Sums under 2s. 6d.,		6	
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COLLECTED IN ONTARIO WARD BY

MESSRS, CHARLES HALES AND JAMES A. McLEOD.

Hon. Macdonald, £	1 5 0 T. A. Corbe	tt, 5 0 Mr. Detlor,	2	6
K. Mackenzie,	1 5 0 Mr. Linton,	5 0 Mr. Dickson,	2	6
Neil McLeod,	1 5 0 Mr. Jones,		2	6
Thos. Kirkpatrick,	10 0 J. Creighton	5 0 Mr. Ford,	2	6
O. S. Gildersleeve,	10 0 J. Rowlands	5 0 Mrs. Innes,	2	6
S. Rowlands,	10 0 E. W. Palm	er, 5 0 Sums under 2s.	6d., 2	6
G. Baxter,	5 0 J. Grist,		10	
James Fraser,	5 0 Thomas Ask		1 17	6
Mr. Irons,	5 0 rs. Linton.			_
Mrs. Milsop,	5 0 Miss Gillesp		£11 7	6
E. H. Parker,	5 0 John R. For			

COLLECTED IN ST. LAWRENCE WARD BY

CAPTAIN STACE, R. A., AND MR. THOM PSON.

Mr. C. Ross, £1	0 0	George Kennedy,	5 0	Mr. Willings,	2	6	
		James Tweddell,	5 0	J. P. Sutton,	2	6	
		Arthur Chown,		Mrs. Ferns,	2		
		R. Blacklock,		Н. В. Н.,	2	6	
		A Friend,		С. Н.,	2	6	
		Mrs. Western,		Mr. Meadows,	2	6	
		E. Chown,		D. Morrison,	2	6	
		James Waddell,		M. Overend,	2	6	
Mr. J. H. Thomson, 1	10 0	Miss White.		A Friend,	2	6	
J. J. Haines,		Mrs. Doran,		Mrs Kerr,	2	6	
Mr. Mair,	7 6	Jas. Glass,		Mr. Johnson,	2	6	
W. McIver,	5 0	J. Moore,	2 6	A Friend,	2	6	
Robert Stewart,	5 0	A. Chichester,		Gunner Bosthwick,	2		
John Duff,		Mr. Drennan,		Sums und'r 2s. 6d. 1			
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DR. FRASER, R. B., AND MR. JAMES GRAY.

Hon. Markland,	£1 0	Off A Lady,	9	9 Mrs. Benson,	5 0
John Miller,	15	0 James Gray,	7	6 John Coy,	5 0
John Mowat,	10	3 William Haldenby,	7	6 H. Fraser,	5 0

Wm. G. Hinds,	5	0	Thomas Hendry,	2	6	A Roman Catholic,	2	6
G. M Kinghorn,	5	0	George Hart,			Hugh Scott,		6
Wm. Martin, Sen'r.,	5	1	John Kerr,			Mrs. Smith,	2	6
J hn Shaw,	5	0	A. Livingston,	2	6	Cornelius Stenson.	2	6
Dr. Strange,	5	0	Wm Martin,	2	6	R. Webb,	2	6
Thomas Corkill,	3	9	Wm M. Patterson,	2	6	E. Wilmot,		6
Thomas Briggs, Jr,	2	6	Mr. Phillips,	2	6	Sums under 2s. 6d. 1	11	4
J. M. Dunlop,	2	6	Alexander Rose,		6		_	_
William Foster,	2	61	Hugh Ross,		6		0	2
A Fraser,	2	6	Mrs. Robbs,	2	6			-77
Charles Heath,	2	6	William Rudston,		6			

COLLECTED IN FRONTENAC WARD BY

MESSRS. GRIFFITH DAVIES AND ARTHUR CHOWN.

Rev. Dr. Machar,£1	0 0 A Davidson,	2 6 David Huggart, 2	6
Rev.J Williamson, 1	0 0 Mr. Burges,	2 6 Thomas Duncan, 2	6
George Davidson,	5 0 Mr. Donaldson,	2 6 Sums under 2s. 6d., 1 7	6
Mrs O. Mowat,	5 0 Mr. Massie,	2 6	-
Mr. Marriott,	5 0 Wm. Meneilly,	2 6 £5 5	0
Mrs. Sweetland.	5 0		

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MESSRS. JAMES STEWART & ROBERT McCAMMON.

Mrs. McLeod, £1 Robert Mat:hews, James Stewart,		2	-
Robert McCammon, Rev. R. V. Rogers, G. L. Mowat,	5 0 W. Smith, 5 0 5 0 James Ranton, 2 6 5 0 Mr. Taylor, 2 6	£5 9	3

COLLECTED IN RIDEAU WARD BY

MESSRS. GRIFFITH DAVIES AND WM. HALDENBY.

Rev Prof Smith, £	0 10 0	James McCammon,	2	6 Mr. McCrea,	2	6
G Davies,		Mrs Gibson,	2	6 Neil McIntyre,	2	6
R. M Rose,		George Webster,		6 Sums under 2s 6d .	110	1
Rev Robert Reid,		Mr. Hamilton,	2	6		_
Mr. Jenkins,	5 0	George Cliff,	2	6 £4	12 (61
Mr. Breden,		Mr. Coward,	2			

COLLECTED AMONGST THE MILITARY, &C., BY

CAPT. WRIGHT R. A., & LIEUT. NEWDEGATE, R. B.

Lieut -Col. Law-	1	Glen Dupuy, ordn., 7 6 Mrs W.,	2	6
rence, R. B., £1 5	0	LtCl.Gordon, R. E, 5 0 Lt. H. Tryon, R. B.,	2	6
Lieut. Newdegate, 1 0	0	Lieut. Cox, " 5 0 " H. Newdegate,"	2	6
Dr. Fraser, R. B., 12	6	Lt. Markham, R. A., 5 0 "T. B. Bington,"		
Earl of rroll, " 10	0	Lt. W. C. Nangle, " 5 0 " Lethbridge,	2	6
LtCl Wulff, R. E., 10	0	J. Durnford, ordn., 5 0 "Walker,	2	6
Lt. Grimston, R. A., 10	0	Dr. Anderson, R. B., 5 0 " Macdonald,	2	6
Capt. Stace, " 10	0	Lieut. Churchill, " 5 0 " Waddington,	2	6
Capt. Haultaine, "10 Capt. Wright, "10	0	Capt. de Latour, " 5 0 Cash,	2	6
Capt. Wright, " 10	0	Lieut. Ross, " 5 0 Cash,	2	6
Mrs. Gordon, 10	0	Cash, 5 0		_
Dr.Dumbreck, staff, 10	0	Dr. Wood, staff, 50 £11	5	0

COLLECTED IN PORTSMOUTH AND VICINITY BY

MRS. ROBERT CARTWRIGHT.

Mrs. Cartwright,	£1 0	0 Mrs. Murray,	5 0 Mrs	s. Sarah Jones,	5 0)
Mrs. Harper,	10	0 Mrs. Mulkins,	5 0			
Mr. W. Irwin,	5	0 Mrs. Horsey,	5 0	£2	15 0)

COLLECTED BY MR. JOHN CAMPBELL, COLPORTEUR, IN THE COUNTY OF LEEDS.

Mr. Clow, £0 Richard Coleman,			Arthur Richard, Mr. Coleman,	-	-	Sums under 2s. 6d.,	5	0
Edwin Bates,	_	6	,	~	6	£1	2	6

COLLECTED IN BARRIEFIELD, BY

MR. MARTIN STRACHAN, FOR THE YEAR 1850,

NOT PUBLISHED IN LAST YEAR'S REPORT.

J. B. Marks, £0	7	6	James Medley,	2	6	James Dunlop, Sr.,	2	6
Martin Strachan,	5	0	Mr. Babeson,	2	6	John Mitchell,	2	6
F. B. Tracy,			Mrs. Fothergill,	2	6	James Peterson,	2	6
James Machray,			Mrs. J. Strachan, Sr.,	2	6	Henry Peterson,	2	6
Dr Lawless, R. N.,	5	0	Mrs. J. Strachan, Jr.,	2	6	John Bailie,	2	6
George Baxter,			Mrs. Logie,			Robert Malyn,	2	6
Mrs. George Moore,			Miss Logie,	2	6	Alexander Grant,	2	6
W. Manton,			Mrs. W. McAdoo,	2	6	Arch. McIntyre,	2	6
James H. Ramsay,			A. McAdoo,			Sums under 2s 6d.,	26	11
Henry Brown,			Mrs. E. Smith,	2	6			_
Mrs. Forbes.			John Dunn,		6		1	11