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LAWS AND REGULATIONS

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I. The designation of the Society shall be THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY, of which the main object shall be to encourage a wider circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note or comment; the only copies in the language of the United Kingdom, to be circulated by the Society, shall be the Authorized Version.

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by other Societies, for circulating the Scriptures through the British Dominion; and shall also, according to its ability, extend its influence to other countries, whether Christian, Mohammedan or Pagan. III. I

Each subscriber of One Guinea annually shall be a

Member. IV. Each subscriber of Ten Guineas at one time shall be a Member for life.

V. Each subscriber of Twenty-five Guineas annually shall be a Governor.

VI. Each subscriber of Fifty Pounds at one time, or who shall, by one additional payment, increase his original subscription to Fifty Pounds, shall be a Governor for life.

VII. Governors shall be entitled to attend and vote at all meetings of the Committee.

VIII. An Executor, paying a bequest of Fifty Pounds, shall be a Member for life; or, of One Hundred Pounds, a Governor for life.

IX. A Committee shall be appointed to conduct the business of the Society, consisting of thirty-sig laymen, six of whom shall be foreigners, resident in London or its vicinity; half the remainder shall be members of the Church of England, and the other half members of other denominations of Christians. Twentyseven of the above number, who shall have most frequently
attended, shall be eligible for re-election for the ensuing year.

The Committee shall appoint all officers except the Trassurer,
and call Special General Meetings, and shall be charged with

procuring for the Society suitable patronage, both British and Foreign.

Each member of the Society shall be entitled, under the direction of the Committee, to purchase Bibles and Testaments

at the Society's prices, which shall be as low as possible.

XI. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held on the first Wednesday in May, when the Treasurer and Committee shall be chosen, the accounts presented, and the proceedings of the foregoing year presented.

XII. The President, Vice-President, and Treasurer, shall be considered a 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 Pas 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 the Vice-President the Treesurer; and in his absence such member as shall be voted for the purpose, shall preside at the meeting. XVI. The Committee shall meet on the first Wednesday in

every month, or oftener if necessary.

The Committee shall have the power of nominating SUCH persons as have rendered essential services to the Society, either Members for life, or Governors for life.

XVIII. The Committee shall also have the power of nomi-

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Adopted at the Annual General Meeting of the Society in An Executor, 1881, but 1881, of Tiley Pounds, shall

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 foregoing resolution, no pecuniary aid can be granted to any Society circulating the Apocrypha; nor, 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.

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This Society shall be called THE BIBLE SOCIETY OF NOVA SCOTIA AND ITS DEPENDENCIES; the object of which shall be the same as that of the British and Foreign Bible Society, viz.: to encourage the circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note or comment, and to furnish copies of the Scriptures gratis to the indigent, and at reduced prices to those requiring them.

II. The business of the Society shall be conducted by a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and a Committee...

III. In order to give effect to the designs of this Institution, benefactions and subscriptions shall be solicited, and books opened for receiving the names of benefactors and subscribers.

IV. Every person contributing annually ten shillings at one time, or a donation of ten pounds, shall be considered a member of the Society.

V. A general meeting of the members of this Society will be held every year, before which will be laid the accounts and proceedings of the preceding year.

VI. The whole of the subscriptions and donations, after deducting the incidental expenses shall be remitted annually in aid of the funds of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

VII. Every member of this Society shall be entitled to

purchase, under the direction of the Committee, Bibles and Testaments at the reduced prices of the Society, which are as low as possible.

The Committee shall be authorized to meet for the purpose of conducting the business of the Society as often as may be necessary, and shall have power to add to their numbers as occasion may require.

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NOVA SCOTIA BIBLE SOCIETY.

INSTITUTED NOVEMBER 24, 1818.

Elected 10th January, 1881.

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By Donations of ten pounds and upwards, at and since the formation of the Society, or executors paying fifty pounds or upwards.

Hon. SAMUEL CREELMAN, S. H. BLACK, Esq., Hon. P. C. HILL, JAMES R. LITHGOW, Esq., Rev. P. G. MacGREGOR, D.D., CHAS. ROBSON, Esq., ALEX, ROBB, Esq., AMHERST.

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Nova Scotia Auxiliary Pible Society,

HELD IN GRAFTON ST. CHURCH,

On Monday, 10th of January, 1881

The chair was taken by Hon. S. L. Shannon, President, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

The REV. MR. DUNN gave out a Hymn, read a portion of Scripture, and engaged in prayer.

The President addressed the meeting.

An abstract of the annual report was read by the Secretary, Mr. James Farquhar.

The Rev. Mr. DUNCAN moved the following resolu-

That the report, an abstract of which has now been read, be received, adopted and printed, with the usual appendages, and circulated under direction of the Committee.

Seconded by W. C. SILVER, Esc., and supported by the Rev. Mr. Armstrone, returned thissionary from India.

Moved by the REV. MR. BRECKEN :-

That this meeting, on a review of the operations of the past years, desires very devoutly and gratefully to recognise the tokens of Divine goodness manifested to the Parent Society in the enlarged success that has attended its

efforts for the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, and would appeal to the friends of the Society for their continued and liberal support, and for their earnest prayers that the diffusion and perusal of the inspired Word of God may be accompanied in all lands by the illuminating grace and converting power of the Holy Spirit.

Seconded by T. B. AKINS, Esq., D.C.L.

Moved by the Rev. Dr. Burns, seconded by Rev. J. WATSON SMITH:

That this meeting would gratefully recognise the fact that exactly five centuries have passed since John Wycliffe issued his translation of the Bible into the English language, and would heartily pray that the spirit of the Morning Star of the Reformation may ever animate all translators and circulators of the Bible.

Moved by the Rev. Mr. FORREST :

That the following gentlemen be the Committee for the ensuing year with power to fill vacancies:—

President-Hon. S. L. Shannon,

Vice-Presidents-Wm. Pryor, Esq., Hon. Sir William Young, Kt., Chief Justice.

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THE last Report of this Auxiliary submitted about twelve months ago, opened with expressions of gratitude to the Great Author of the Word that your Committee were permitted to assemble with unbroken During the year now closed the iron pen of time has been writing dark lines on the roll of your Committee. A few weeks after the last annual meeting we were called to attend the funeral of one of our Vice-Presidents, the venerable Hon. Judge Marshall, and since that time the Rev. Canon Cochran and James B. Morrow have both followed, leaving blanks in the Board that will not easily be filled. But more extended reference will be made to those names when we notice the local matters connected with the Auxiliary. Meantime your Committee have much pleasure in meeting the patrons and friends at another Anniversary, and they intend to present as usual an Abstract of the Parent Society's Report. But before doing so the following Financial Statement may not be out of place, as it exhibits in a few figures the financial operations of this great institution :-

The total free income of the Society for the year has amounted to £110,806 7s. 9d., as against £96,426 11s. 5d. last year; on the other hand the amount received by sale of

Scriptures at home and abroad was £99,734 16s. 4d., as against £106,168 15s. 10d. The lessened receipts on purchase account are to be ascribed to the diminished ability to buy which hindered the work last year both at home and abroad. Thus the income of the Society on account of the General Fund is £210,501 4s, 1d., and adding the amount received for the Special Fund, £1,854 2s. 3d.; for the Roxburg Fund, £159 5s 11d; and for the Paris Exhibition Fund (including the amount received for the sale of the châlet used at the Exhibition, and the land upon which it was built) £280 2s 5d., the total receipts for the year have been £213,374 14s. 8d. The total payments have been £193,539 12s. 7d. The issues have been:—From the Bible House, 1,375,673; from depôt, abroad, 1,404,689 copies. Total issues, 2,708,362, or from the beginning, 88,168,419.

Here follows an Abstract of the Parent Society :-

FRANCE.—The interest of the work in France during the past year has not been of that public and conspicuous character which attached to it last year; nevertheless, it has abounded with instances of blessing in every part of the field. A recent notice in the Record newspaper of the death of the late Mr. Henry Pownal, who, in days gone by, was for a long series of years a member of your Committee, claims for him the honour of having been one of the earliest to press upon the Society the importance of colportage in France. The experience of last year would of itself justify the wisdom of his views. Not fewer than 72,000 copies were distributed by colportage alone, and the circulation by other means swelled the total to 110,000. All these were circulated by sale; free grants are not included. To introduce into this abstract particulars of these journeys is impossible, but the impression they make upon the mind of the reader is that a process of gradual enlightenment, and here and there of rapid progress, is going forward. Such instances as the following are common:—One colporteur, after selling a large Bible to a Roman Catholic family, is told, If evangelists will come and explain these Scriptures, all our village will attend.' In another place people followed the colporteur to the inn to hear him talk of the Book he had been selling. 'These things happen often,' says the colporteur; and when I ask them how they have become

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interested in the Gospel, they ascribe it to a Bible or a Testament which some colporteur had sold them, and then I understood how important our work is for the welfare of France.' This is especially true of the southern districts of France, from which it is impossible to pass without remarking the repeated testimony of the colporteurs to an awakening desire for the Gospel. It is not once or twice, it is not only here and there; but it is repeated, and it is widespread. Nor is it surprising, for these regions saw the earliest rays of the Sun of Righteousness that ever brightened France, these regions saw also some of her fiercest persecutions; and many a soul crying from under the altar, 'How long O Lord God, holy and true, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth,' left its mangled body behind it upon the soil trodden by these southern colporteurs.

M. Monod's report affords pleasing glimpses of active Christian effort in Paris and out of Paris; in the centre, and at the circumference; no longer carried on in a corner, but permitted without let or hindrance in places as companding as the Boulevards, and near edifices as commanding as the

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M. Monod thus describes these evangelistic efforts, and thus connects them with the work of your Society:—The great work of popular evangelization by meetings, conferences, &c., mentioned in my last report, has made this year an extraordinary development. In our large cities regular conferences are held several times in the week, and are everywhere attended by crowds of people; in a great number of smaller towns conferences have been occasionally held, frequently in theatres that are always quite full.

In Paris it is no more only in the suburbs that popular meetings are held, but the Salle des Conférences of the Boulevard des Capucines, close to the Madeleine, is opened every Sunday evening for conferences by evangelical pastors.

What progress, if we only look a few years back !

Now, it is well worthy of observation that all this work does not open the way to the Bible Society's work, but is a consequence and a fruit of our work. It is well understood by all the members of the Committee of Evangelization of France that they only send evangelists and pastors where these are asked for, and where there is some probability of

their being well received, whereas our object is precisely to go where nobody asks for us, or even knows of our existence. Our colporteurs are, in the truest sense of the word, pioneers, who sow the first seed in uncultivated ground; and when it increases, then the people who have, by the single reading of the Scriptures, received a first ray of light, ask for more light, and cry out for evangelists and pastors.

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On the whole, the year's work has not either declined in extent, energy or fruitfulness. The number of colporteurs

now stands at sixty.

similar meli BELGIUM In Belgium the great conflict between the Clergy and the 'Liberals' still continues, with the effect of dividing the population into two camps. In the one camp the watchword is 'Religion,' in the other the cry is 'Liberty.' The spectacle is dreary in the extreme. The religion contended for is a religion without the Gospel; the liberty so passionately demanded is a liberty without a God. Belgian Romanism is the most superstitious in Europe, and Belgian liberty the most vehement in its rejection of the supernatural. Instruments of a foolish shepherd are in the bands of the leaders, and the sheep fare badly, and are objects of deep compassion. Meanwhile the world, which the best of men find too much with them, asserts itself, plies its temptations, displays its charms, and draws into its ne trens of thousands who grow every day more and more dispased to mind earthly things.

Fifty years ago Belgium obtained her independence, and this year she keeps high festival. She will bring the works of her skilful fingers and the fruits of her fertile soil, and offer proof plain to all eyes that her talents are many and her energy great. But Belgium sets little store by the merchandise which is better than the merchandise of silver, and holds too cheap the gain which is better than fine gold. It is a relief to the feelings excited by the aspect of religion in Belgium, to think of the quiet labours of your Society and other kindred institutions in the task so needful, and so beneficent, of leading souls redeemed by the Blood of Christ to read the plain story of His love in His own Word. The horizon of the materialist contracts upon him as life runs out and his energies decay, and it narrows at length to the bare dimensions of a grave. Men are not so much in love with

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such a future as to refuse to listen to the Words of Him who spreads before His people the picture of a world beyond this world, and offers Himself as their guide and companion to it. Seventeen thousand Belgians at any rate last year felt enough interest on the subject of Eternal Life to buy some portion or the whole of the Word of God. Of these, seven colporteurs sold more than eight thousand copies.

HOLLAND.—The present religious condition of Holland is one of conflict, and for some time is likely to continue so. 'Repos ailleurs,' 'Rest elsewhere,' is the motto suggested to your Agent by the present religious struggle, which recalls to the anxious Christian the stern days of William the Silent.

The majority in the States General does all that it can to enforce the education law of 1878, which excludes the Bible from all the primary schools of the country. What are called neutral schools,' involving an expenditure of nearly a million and a half, are to be extended and enlarged, and your Agent deplores in strong terms the dishonour thus put upon the Word of God.

Holland did not last year escape the adversity and consequent depression, to which witness is borne by every report, without exception, which has reached the Society, from lands where white men dwell. The circulation, although above that of a few years since, has fallen off in comparison with the figures of 1878, amounting to 34,573 copies.

GERMANY .- This is the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment in Germany by the Society of a distinct agency. Dr. Pinkerton was appointed in 1830, and although for a quarter of a century before that the Society had done much to quicken the zeal of others, and to provide them with funds, it was not till 1830 that the work could be said to have struck root in the soil of Germany itself. have struck root in the soil of Germany itself. In 1838 the society's issues were under 450,000 in all the world; this year they are three fourths of that number in Germany alone. In 1830 we had no colporteur in Germany; now there are sixty, and the Continental circulation has increased fourteenfold. The past year has been marked in Germany by a slight check in the circulation, evidently in sales to the poor. The total figures are 334,898, as against 353,786, but the receipts for these sales were £12,500, the highest sum ever received in the agency for Scriptures sold. Your able representative in Germany, the Rev. G. P. Davies, has found it a trial to have, in his jubilee year, to give himself to measures of economy and curtailment, but he has found abundant solace in the results of his labour, and in the character of the men by whose daily toil those results have been achieved.

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Of the spirit which actuates these men, the following patietic letter is an interesting manifestation. It is written by ex-colporteur Orlowski, and is given in his own words:

When one has been thirty years at Bible work you can understand that it had become a second nature. I feel so wretched. Had my good wife been still with me, I might feel better off. But she is gone, and my work is gone, and much else is gone. What remains is a broken-down body. May God soon take me home! I was delighted with the reports. But when I read them I have no rest within the four walls of my home. I cannot range the land with my Bibles, so I rush out into the open field to get breathing room, so strong is the memory. Whenever you write, every line is precious. If I were thirty years younger I would begin the work over again, and choose by preference the very hardest fields. But it is of no use. I will write every three months. If you do not hear, you will know that either I am ill or dead. that of a tow-water since, has tall a off in

It may not be without interest in this, the centenary year of Sunday Schools in England, to glance at their origin and growth in Germany. Mr. Davies thus refers to it:—

'In the summer of 1863 Mr. Woodruff, of New York, and Mr. Brockelmann, of Heidelberg, started on their German Sunday School tour, and made their first halt in Frankfort-on-the-Main. They found a gathering of some thirty or forty children, whom my wife gathered around her for a little Sunday service. They organized these children into groups according to age and sex, induced Mrs. Davies to associate four young ladies with her as teachers, and so the first Sunday School in Germany was founded.

The subsequent growth of this great movement may be gathered from the fact that whereas in 1863 there was one school, with five teachers and forty scholars, there are at present in Germany in round numbers 2,000 schools, 10,000 teachers, and 200,000 scholars.

AUSTRIA.—In this great Empire, so old and yet so new, containing so many races and speaking so many languages, where the aspirations of the people are so various, and often so antagonistic, the work of your Society must always be opposed to great vicissitudes. The task of harmonising the diversities which exist and have their home under the Austrian flag must be an exceedingly difficult one to the Government. Nor is it to be expected that the Roman hierarchy will use their power in favour of a Society whose

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Three causes were at work in Austria last year to lessen the circulation of the Scriptures in comparison with that of the two preceding years. The first cause is one for thankfulness—the cessation of war; the second is for sympathythe spread of distress in the land; the third is a matter of economy-the increased scale of prices. The circulation reached was 116,000, the lowest for many years. Glancing at the second of these causes—the spread of distress—and looking at the field of labour through the eyes of the colporporteurs, it is a landscape full of trouble. The hand of the Lord is upon the crops, and they wither; upon the rivers, and they overflow; and the cry of the perishing and the famished is keen in men's ears. When to these providential trials are added the herceness of priestly opposition and the increasing ungodliness and indifference to which testimony is borne, it is a matter for unfeigned thankfulness that so much has been accomplished. The case of Bohemia may well be cited, as it has commanded the sympathy of English Christians, and not without result. Here, where opposition has been most fierce and vehement, where free colportage is forbidden, and the colporteurs have to carry their books as samples merely, and then, having sold a copy from the sample, have to supply it through the Post-office, the circulation has risen by 1,400 copies; and your agent reports that never was there greater susceptibility of the truth. sales in Bohemia were a little below 10,000 copies, and this total is characterized as 'marvellous.'

Expressions like the following frequently recur in the

reports of our men :-

"I will live and die with this book." I cannot read enough." That is just what I want. "I am delighted to have a Bible." I like reading this book more than going to

mass.' I cannot thank you sufficiently for having brought me the book.' I read it until late at night.' How long I have been wishing to have a Bible!' Why, that is the Bible; of course I must have that.' Ah! if all men only had that book, it would be better.' Had I known this precious book before, it would have been better for me.'

ITALY.—In their Report for last year, your Committee remarked that no rapid progress could be discerned in the mighty work of rousing in Italy a deeper and truer religious feeling than existed in the days of repression and oppression,

of alien rule and Papal supremacy.

Their information leads to the same disappointing conclusion this year. Still, with rare exceptions, the rich, and the noble, and the educated refuse to lament to our mourning, or to dance to our piping. Godly sorrow and Gospel joy alike leave them unmoved. This deadly atmosphere, like its type in the natural world, broods especially over Rome. It is rich and increased with goods, rich in art, rich in history, rich with the spoils of time, but all the while to the spiritual eye it is poor, and wretched, and miserable and blind, and naked. Even the colporteurs, says Mr. Bruce, think it quite a wonder if they sell a Bible to a Roman.

Nevertheless your Committee have the pleasure to report a total of 56,000 copies, an increase of 6,000 upon last year's result, and that, too, in a year of bad harvests, of terrible inundations, and of unusual snowstorms blocking up the Whither, then, has these copies gone? The answer is they have gone into remote villages, into small towns, into the hands of the poor, the simple, the laborious. They have been carried thither upon the shoulders of men as simple and as laborious as themselves. More than threefifths of the circulation have been thus disposed of, and no man can read the journals of these itinerant labourers without feeling that they have been, and still are, the very truest evangelists at work in that land, One incident of a very comforting character came to light last year. In 1871 a maritime exhibition was held at Naples, and a considerable distribution of Scriptures took place. This work was noticed in your Committee's Report for 1872, and the remark is there made that the distribution was not very 'discriminating,' many of the copies being immediately torn up. One of your colporteurs last year during his labours at Naples met with

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an old acquaintance whom he had known as a Roman Catholic and an irreligious man, now united with the Methodist Church of Naples. Explanation was eagerly asked and frankly given. He had seen in 1871 some lads tearing books in pieces. He had gathered up some fragments, amongst them St. John x. and xi. Illness and reflection had been his commentators, and the Holy Spirit had ted him to the knowledge of the Lord. All is not lost even when pearls prove to have been cast before swine, off and a differ

SPAIN and PORTUGAL.—Your Committee commend these countries to the best wishes and prayers of their friends. There are bright spots here and there, but no extensive hungering and thirsting after righteousness is apparent as yet. The discutation in Spain was 39,000, as against 54,000, and a large proportion of these consisted of Portions. Portugal, the bigotry that opposes the work is more distinctly than in Spain a bigotry of ignorance, and as this clears away, progress will become more marked. The total . number of copies circulated was 5,806, as against 8,238 in 1878

Some statistics officialy published during the year give a view of the ignorance of the lower orders which is astonishing. 17,000 persons were in prison, and of these 10,000 could neither read nor write. 142 had killed one or both parents; 586 had committed murder; and 6,372 had been condemned for manslaughter. One of the brightest spots in Spain is the neighborhood of Barcelona, of which Mr. Corfield gives the following account:

The work of the Churches here gets more consolidated year by year. What pleasure one derives in mixing heartily with the Lord's people! My recent visit was much enjoyed, The friends there giving to your Agent a warm welcome. Our colporteur's work is a constant supply of the Word of Life to the shipping, and to the neighborhood. I wish we could see more places like this with public and private means of grace. Having received of the Lord, one has but to witness to His goodness, to find prepared a rich feast, of which all may readily partake. May the joy of the Lord be our constant strength?

In Portugal, illustrations often occur of the old blind bigoted opposition to the Scriptures, which, it must be hoped, tends to die out as enlightenment increases. A single

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Joaquim Figueiredo came to a place where he had often travelled, and went to the house in which he was accustomed to ledge, but was refused. He found another lodging for the night, but called the next day to ask his old host why he had refused him. He was told that three priests had been staying in the house, and in the course of conversation heard the maidservant say it is a pity Figueiredo is not here. The priest heard this remark and asked, 'Who is this Figueiredo?' When told he was see colporteur who went about selling the Scriptures, they demanded to see the books, denounced them as false, and declared that whoever did business with him and gave him a night's lodging would incur the sentence of excommunication. The priests then paid the sum which had been paid to the colporteur for the books, took them into the kitchen, and burned them in the presence of the family.

DENMARK .- In Denmark, the year began with improvement, and left off better than it began. The circulation has risen to 33,000 copies, and a reduction in the amount of the royalty payable to the Orphan House will enable your Committee still further to cheapen the Word of God. The visit of Lord Radstock, Mr. Reginald Radeliffe, and others to the principal places in Northern Europe, has been much blessed to the quickening of religious life, and in Copenhagen it has led to a demand for a pocket edition of the Danish A requisition, signed by a large number of persons, reached your Committee, binding the subscribers to pay for 1,000 copies if the book were produced within six months. It is needless to say that no time will be lost in the matter. The work done during the past year raises the total number of copies circulated by the Society amongst our Danish kinsmen to half a million.

CELAND.—An interesting letter, with a remittance of £5 11s. 2d. on purchase account, has been received from the venerable Bishop Pjetursson, of Reykjavík.

The Bishop says, 'The large circulation of the Bible in this island is the proof of its acceptance as 'excellent,' and the inhabitants are animated with a deep thaukfulness for the Bible Society's great work, a feeling which has many times been expressed to me. May God bless the honoured Bible Society's noble work for the extension of the Kingdom of God upon earth!'

NORWAY.—The reports from Norway bring with them the same account of prevailing distress as is sent from other countries, and they speak hopefully of the immediate future, as some others do.

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'It is long,' writes Captain H. M. Jones, V. C., A since such universal destitution and want of employment has been experienced in this country, but thank God the prospect now seems brighter.'

It is not surprising, therefore, to find the circulation of the Bible has suffered a considerable diminution, reaching only to 18,920 copies in the year as against 41,281 copies in the year preceding.

SWEDEN.—Here is Norway, and for similar reasons, the circulation has largely fallen off. The issues fell during the year from 80,741 copies to 69,511, but no country in Europe in proportion to its population is better supplied with the Bible than Sweden. The venerable Dr. Rohtlieb, who has for so many years represented the Society in Sweden is resigning his post through advancing years. The Rev. R. H. Weakley, well known and highly valued in the Turkish field, has been appointed to succeed him.

RUSSIA, NORTH AND SOUTH.—Your Committee, not forgetting-for who can forget?-the terrible deeds meditated and attempted in Russia during the past year, are thankful to the Government for the protection and even the sanction given to their work. In South Russia, where colportage is extensively employed, not a single ground of complaint has come to light; your colporteurs have simply had to exhibit their licenses to obtain the consent and often the God-speed of the authorities, and in North Russia the interruptions have been exceedingly few. The Holy Synod has shown more than its usual readiness to supply your agents with Scriptures, and its presses are at the present moment actively at work in response to their demands. Mr. Nicolson in the north is increasing his staff of colporteurs, and Mr. Watt in the south is preparing to concentrate upon his field the energy which has enabled him up to this year to cultivate Trans-Caucasia also. During the year an extensive tour was accomplished by the Rev. Henry Landsell through Siberia, and it may well be hoped that the Scriptures have found their way in some measure through the length and breadth of the Empire. In North Russia the circulation was 231,377; in South Russia, 92,369, including 20,168 copies disseminated beyond the Caucasus. The number of languages in which this distribution took place was over forty in North Russia alone.

TRANSCAUCASIA.—This district having become a distinct agency will henceforth find its own separate place in your Committee's Report. It passes into the charge of Mr. Morrison at a time when many causes are at work to bring it into prominence and to invest it with interest. As the great turbid flood of Mohammedanism more and more dries up, the eminences which emerge are recognized, and names connected with the oldest histories in the world are used again the practical work of these last days. As in the days of Noah, as in the days of Sennacherib, as in the days of Gregory the Illuminator, so down in our own days the land of Armenia and the mountains of Ararat preserve their distinctness and keep their place in the language and dealings and hopes of men. But beside the Armenians here are also to be found the Grusians or Georgians, preserving likewise their distinctness as an ancient Church. Here also are the numerous Tartar tribes, amongst whom no mighty work has yet been wrought. The field kindles enthusiasin and rewards it. Here were sold last year not fewer than 16,000 copies by colportage alone.

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TURKEY. - This empire, the politician's difficulty and the philanthropist's despair, surprises us this year with an increased circulation. A total of 48,600 copies, against 39,000 in the previous year, is not a little remarkable; and when the condition of Turkey is remembered the astonishment increases. Even in the Turkish language itself the number of Scriptures circulated has increased sixfold. Bulgarians flying from Turks, Turks flying from Bulgarians, agriculture suspended, commerce paralysed, taxation grinding, money scarce, coinage debased, brigands everywhere, and famine and pestilence just held at bay by the money and the energy and the devotion of the country which sends forth also the Scriptures. These things are the sad background of the picture of work in Turkey. In Crete and in Cyprus excellent work was done during the year, and in Ionia and the Islands generally colportage was successful. The Greek

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Archbishop of Cyprus continues to show himself friendly to the work. But your Agent complains of the Greek Government and the Greek Church in Greece itself in the strongest language as hindering the circulation of the Scriptures, and incurring the reproach, which cannot be laid to the charge of the Turks, of denying to their children the sacred book of their religion in the tongue understanded of the people. By a recent law, however, the New Testament in the original will now be read in all the primary schools.

SYRIA.—This province, so important, so full of links with the past, so wretched in the present, is like some beautiful manuscript twice written which has fallen into the hands of children who disfigure it with their meaningless scribblings. The people live and move amongst the ruins of a civilization from which the glory has departed, and neither Maronite, nor Greek, nor Moslem nor Jew, displays a hunger for the truth for its own sake. Your colporteur, Risq Butros, could only sell sixty-one copies, and he relates that coming on his familiar errand to a Maronite village, the people would neither give him a lodging nor sell him bread, so that he was obliged to go to another village, where a Moslem sheltered him. The circulation which has been effected amounted to 790 copies.

PALESTINE.— Darkness slowly dispersing is the discription which your Agent gives of the condition of the Holy Land. By schools chiefly is the darkness dispersed, but they are few in number, and their effects are gradual and slow. The circulation of the Scriptures is no index to the condition of the people, for Palestine is a land of pilgrimage, and it is amongst pilgrims chiefly that our Scriptures circulate. Beyond Jordan Mr. Bellamy has been engaged in disseminating the Scriptures in the Hauran, but no report of his success has yet been received.

encouraged. The Kingdom cometh is their conviction; without observation, your Agent adds. Not that for those who look for these things there are no signs apparent. There are such signs. One such is an increase in the number of Scriptures sold from 2,750 copies last year to 3,525 this year. Another is seen in the success of the American

Mission, which sold last year Bibles, religious books, and educational appliances to the amount of £870. Our own circulation was 3,525 copies, an increase of over 700 upon the work of the previous year.

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EAST AFRICA.—The importance of pushing on the translation of the Scriptures into the Suaheli language becomes every day more and more manifest. Romish missions largely equipped, strong in numbers, are found pushing to the very heart of Africa, and disputing with Protestant missions for the possession of the field. Contrast, if not conflict there must needs be. The Bible reveals the way—the King's highway—to truth and life, and any other way, by whomsoever recommended, than the one way, and the one name provided for man in Christ Jesus, must stand condemned by all who 'understand the Scriptures.'

Bishop Steere, in writing to the Society accepting the office of vice-president, says:—'I feel here that our work must be all unsound without a vernacular Bible.'

west Africa.—The receipt in a single year of £200 as a Free Contribution from West Africa, demands a note of thankful praise. Sierra Leone sends £130 and Lagos £70. Few contributions come to the Society richer in blessings than these. Nor are these the only offerings which these African brettern have made on the altar of gratitude to God. They have given largely to the support of their own ministers, to the maintenance of their own fabrics, and to the various funds for spreading the Gospel to the regions beyond themselves. They were slaves, but the Lord Christ has made them free in His providence, and by His grace. They are 'free indeed.' 'Liberal' and 'devising liberal things, by liberal things they shall stand.'

SOUTH AFRICA.—The report from South Africa is of an exceedingly cheering character Annual meetings were well attended. Branches were bearing fruit. Contributions were increasing. When these things come to pass, work has been well and prayerfully done, it may be for a long time before. The Rev. Dr. Hole has forwarded an account of the year's work which is a great pleasure to read.

His Excellency Sir Bartle Frere thok the chair at the annual meeting held in Cape Town, on November 28, and

the leading ministers of the neighborhood were present. One was missing, the Rev. Dr. Robertson, who, after a ministry of nearly halt a century, had been called to his rest. The issues had been Bibles, 5,219; New Testaments, 2,398; while the contributions reported were £891, and £801 on Purchase Account. A Juvenile Society was formed at Cape Town during the year, under the management of Miss Robertson, and in six months had raised £12,55.

MADAGASCAR.—The general aspect of this field of Christian effort is such as to awaken some solicitude for its spiritual welfare. The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are in proportion few, and of late have decreased. The return of the fever epidemic with increased severity has seriously interfered with the circulation of the Scriptures. Whole villages have been depopulated, and in the case of the largest and most influential of the missions, the London Missionary Society, one fourth of the churches and schools were closed for months together. All work ceased except nursing the sick and burying the dead.

The sales for the past three years have been as follows:

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In a recent speech the Prime Minister and husband of the Queen declared that her conversion to the Christian religion was the result of Bible reading during a period of sorrowful seclusion.

CEYLON.—The Jaffna Auxiliary deals with that part of the island of Ceylon where Tamli is the almost universal speech. Its language and its religion are tast linked, and even identical, with those of the mainland adjoining. The Singhalese population is reached by the Colombo Auxiliary.

The Jaffna Auxiliary is one of those whose reports brings encouragement and refreshment to your Committee. It works hard, and it works wisely. It is at unity in itself, and the Christian co-operation which is the life and soul of Bible Society work is admirably illustrated in its methods and plans.

A brief account from one part of the field will sufficiently describe the rest. It is evident that the Word of God is permeating the dense population. Even the staunchest

Sivites admit the superiority of the Bible to their own shastras, but they lack in too many cases the moral courage to face opposition and make open profession of their faith. Said one old man, I believe what you say, but I am too old to walk in the narrow path; let my son embrace your religion if he will. I believe the Bible to be God's revelation to man, said another, but my faith is too weak to face the hatred and opposition of my friends, which my becoming a Christian would stir up against me.

Colombo.—Removals, not by death but by duty, have resulted in the re-acceptance of the secretariat of this Auxiliary, which dates from 1812, of the Rev. J. Nicholson and the Rev. Dr. Wood. Mr. Rowlands had removed to the Tamil Cooly Mission, and Mr. Scott returned to England. Two colportsurs, one for the Tamils, the other for the Singhalese, are employed by the Auxiliary. Scriptures in Singhalese are printed on the spot. Your Committee granted for this purpose 100 reams of paper. The local subscriptions amounted to 357 rupees, the sales to 1,718 rupees. The local expenditure is in excess of the receipts.

INDIA.—Passing over Persia, where Mr. Bruce is preparing to occupy the field more fully, and Afghanistan, for which the time for settled work has hardly come, your Committee reach the well known field placed especially under the care of England-the Great Peninsula of India. three Reports respectively from Madras, Calcutta, and Bombay, speak of enlarged effort and increased interest. In the Madras Presidency 87,300 copies were circulated by various agencies, of which 48,695 copies were sold by colporteurs. During the year covered by the Madras report, more than 60,000 persons came out from Hinduism and united themselves to the Christian Church, and nearly every Missionary Society in the Presidency received a greater number of converts than in any previous year. This has largely increased the demand for Scriptures. In both the remaining Presidencies increased efforts to spread the Word of God are made by the respective Auxiliaries, and attention is given to the important work of revising and improving the great master versions as well as providing for the aboriginal people, many thousands of whom are now found pressing into the Kingdom of Heaven. The Calcutta Auxiliary report

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CHINA.—The heart of China is hidden from us, but beneath her placid face strong feelings are at work of which we see signs at both extremities of her vast diameter. The moment is propitious for enlarged effort, and your Committee are prepared to make it. An old friend of the Society, who conceals his name, but reveals his character under the aphorism, 'God's book is the best,' has placed £1,000 at the disposal of the Committee for colportage in China. The arrangements made last year with the China Inland Mission, by which two members of that body were set apart for colportage in the femine-smitten districts, will be continued and enlarged. Never before was the interior of China so widely traversed; never was there so good a hope that in every province, including even the most remote, the salvation of God would go forth as a lamp that burneth.

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JAPAN.—The interest which Japan excites may well raise the jealousy of those upon whose hearts the wants of China press heavily. While in China the burden of the work falls chiefly on this Society, in Japan it is divided between this Society and the Scottish and American Societies. No fewer than ninety-one American missionaries are at work in Japan, and the translation of the New Testament into Japanese is their work. Your Committee take their share in the expense of preparing a revised version for common use, and arrangements mutually acceptable to the various missionary bodies are in effect for producing as speedily as is consistent with adequate care a translation of the Old Testament. An example of the amazing progress in the path of religious liberty which Japan has made, and, a foreshadowing, it may well be hoped, of a great reversal of a great indignity, is seen in the fact that a native Christian bookseller last year, as a private venture, brought out an edition of a portion of the Bible in Japanese and Chinese, printed in Tokio at the sign of the Cross.' The Committee have had again and again before them the question of their responsibility to this rapidly changing country. Pressed by the Corresponding Committee, by letter and by special

messenger, to take large views of the opportunity which Japan presents for guiding a whole people, evidently on the move, they have, after full consideration and conference, decided to send out an Agent, that nothing may be lacking on their part in this great crisis in the history of 35,000,000 people.

AUSTRALASIA.—This year is the second during which the Society has been represented in Australasia by the Rev. J T. Evans. Mr. Evans has continued to prove himself a faithful and zealous and able servant of the Society.

Gathering round him old friends and new, he has been able to establish or reorganize 240 Bible Societies, bringing the total number up to 340. As many as 320 meetings were held in the year, out of which Mr. Evans provided in his own person or by friends for 288. The travelling involved in reaching these meetings was 20,000 miles, 12,000 miles falling to Mr. Evan's own share.

NEW South Wales, Sydney.—This Auxiliary is in a thriving condition; its Free Contributions, which last year were £500, have reached this year to £1,200, of which £900 were received in time to be included in the year's accounts. In addition to this it sent £650 on Purchase Account. The Committee of the Auxiliary thoroughly enter into the spirit and aims of the Society, and there is a most cheering prospect that many who are working with as there, and the same may be said of Victoria and Adelaide, will continue to do so till the night cometh, when no man can work.

the scene of enwonted and protracted political excitement, and has suffered much from commercial depression. A deficit of £400,000 in the revenue, and a consequent increase of taxation, has crippled the efforts of religious bodies. Population too is fluctuating, and branches require constant reorganization. But the Society has warm friends there, and your Agent believes that they will not fail to maintain it in at least its present position. The Auxiliary and branches have sent £317 Free and £603 on Purchase Account. In visiting the various branches of this Auxiliary, Mr. Evans was greatly assisted by the Rev. T. B. Tress, from the sister colony of New South Wales.

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA. Adelaide.—Mr. Evans was indebted for the visitation of this colony to the Rev. G. W. Howden, of Sydney. The annual meeting at Adelaide was again presided over by His Excellency the Governor. The Rev. Messrs. Henderson and Hodge visited a good many of the branches, and the whole field during the last two years has come under review. Both Free Contributions and remittances on Purchase Account show an increase, £500 having reached the Society under each head. This Auxiliary has for its secretary Mr. G. Philips, a Christian merchant, who has retired from business, and devotes himself with much energy to the Society's work.

Tasmanta.—The Society is indebted to its friends in the Hobart Town Auxiliary for an increased gift. £250 Free Contribution and £50 on Purchase Account have come in The Cornwall Auxiliary sends £100, and £50 on Purchase Account. Last year Mr. Evans was unable to visit the various societies, and the Rev. Messrs. Law and Dear made the necessary arrangements, and rendered valuable help. Mr. Evans, in the early part of the present year, paid the colony an exceedingly useful visit, with very excellent results.

New Zealand.—Mr. Evans' visit to New Zealand in the early part of last year was very saccessful. A Landing at Wellington he made arrangements for meetings, and proceeded south to Dunedin, organizing everywhere branch societies. At Dunedin he addressed as many as 1,600 children assembled in Dr. Stuart's church. Otago and Christ Church were visited, and much interest awakened. £300 have reached the Society from Canterbury, and the Rev. J. Aldred reports that the Primate of New Zealand, Dr. Harper, kindly took the chair at the last meeting.

At Auckland the Rev. H. H. Lawry, the earnest and zealous secretary, showed Mr. Evans no little kindness. A colporteur is employed by the Auckland Auxiliary, chiefly far the benefit of bushmen and millhands. Contributions to the amount of £150 have come from Auckland, including £75 from friends at Waiapu, and no less than £340 on Purchase Account.

south SEAS.—The reference made in the conclusion of this Abstract to the position which the Bible holds amongst the South Sea Islanders, is justified and illustrated by the following table, which gives the sums received at the Bible House for a series of six years ending with March of the present year: It got the block and for a series of the present year:

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The sum of £1,600 18s. 9d., received from the South Seas in the year ending March, 1880, was thus made up: Lifu, £70 15s.; Marc, £20. Fiji, £300; Samoa, £400; Niue, or Savage Island, £157 10s.; Rarotonga, £30; Mangaia, £35 4s. 5d.; Tahti, £186 18s. 6d. Besides these sums, £27 4s. were contributed by the New Hebrides Auxiliary as a Free Contribution. Much of the above-mentioned money was paid for the Word of God by people who, a generation ago, were man-slayers and man-eaters, murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers.

part of South America is in the highest degree deplorable and disastrous. The war between Chill and Peru has greatly hindered the peaceful work of your Society. The Santiago Depot, which had been closed, has, however, been re-opened, and your Committee have renewed their grant in aid.

Patagonia.—Here a little Welsh Colony is established, on whose behalf the General Assembly of the Calvinistic Methodist Church applied for a grant of Scriptures, which have been sent.

River Platte Republics.—The character of this field, which is superintended by the Rev. F. N. Lett. of Rosario, is vividly represented in Mr. Lett's summary of the labours of one of his colportenes. His namp is Henriksen, and his sphere of labour extends from Cordoba to the confines of Bolivia.

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He traversed nine provinces to and fro, visited 86 towns, 21,708 houses, travelled 639 miles on horseback, 984 miles by train, 213 by steamboat, and 2,670 miles on muleback, crossed level plains, sandy deserts, dense forests, rocky mountains, amid heat, cold, hunger, thirst, sleeping in the open air, explaining what the Bible is, reading it to the ignorant, urging the people to buy it, and answering objections. This is a work that has worth in itself; it may have been undertaken afar from the busy centres of Europe, and therefore not be mentioned amid the applause of our friends at house. Still it is real work and will not fail. And not only is this to be said of the work of Henriksen; but I say it of all our men, each in his own measure, who with a Bible in one hand, and their all (I might say their very life) in the other, go forth on these journeys.

This work, however, will not go without appreciative notice, and we may be thankful to learn that the Society have five colporteurs thus vouched for in this part of the field.

Brazil.—The Rev. J. M. G. Dos Santos, with a staff of four colporteurs, does his best to occupy this field. The circulation was 4,202 copies. Assistance was given to the efforts of Dr. Kalley and Mr. Vancrden.

British Guiana.—Of this country we are told that through an influx of immigrants from India and China it has become more than ever a mission field. In Berbice and Demerara the Society is remembered, and sums of £4 10s. and £29 5s. 8d. respectively have been received on Purchase Account. £20 were acknowledged last year from Berbice, contributed in response to the Special Appeal.

BRITISH NORTH AMBRICA.—In hearly all the reports there is proof that your brethren in the Dominion have had their full share of depression, notwithstanding they have done much for the work of the Bible Society, as will be seen in what follows:—you got at a men to visible soon

The Toronto Auxiliary has 394 branches, forty six of which held their annual meeting without the visit of an Agent. This Auxiliary spreads over a vast area, extending to British Columbia, Manitoba and Algoma. It remitted as

its Free Contribution £1,203, and in addition sent £2,000 on Purchase Account. The Special Appeal was answered during the year with £36 13s. 9d. The Hamilton Branch once more contributed £100; Kingston sent £25; Western Ontario, £79 1s. F. C., and £120 P. A., since which a further remittance of £125 has come in. Friends in Western Ontario remitted £100 for the Special Appeal; and Mr. J. W. Dunnet £20 on the same account. Perth also sent

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Ottawa reports 'improvement,' and illustrates its meaning by £300 F. C. and £150 P. A. Its issues were larger than in the previous year by 1,238 copies. Amongst its contributors it numbers some liberal 'shanty men,' who gave the Auxiliary between them 170 dollars.

Montreal, with 210 Branches, employs six Bible-women and five colporteurs, together with a travelling Agent. It sent £100 F. C., £100 for the Special Appeal, and £800 on P. A.

Quebec has been comparatively inactive this year.

New Brunswick. St. John has fifty-five branches, Depression is heavier than ever, yet it has sent £400 F. C. and £69 7s. 6d. P. A.

Frederiction, similarly depressed, sends £75; Mira-

Newfoundland.—St. John's benefited the special appeal by a gift of £40, besides £60 F. C. and £124 P. A. Its issues were \$,288, or 909 more than in the preceding year, making 60,738 circulated by the Society in that island. The Ladies' Auxiliary at St. Johns and Harbor Grace contributed £59 and £46 respectively. IA full account of Mr. Scott's labours as colporteur appears in this year's Annual Report in craft when accounts and appears in this year's Annual Report in the second and account the second second appears in this year's Annual Report in the second account of the second second appears in this year's Annual Report in the second second account of the second se

Phe narrow limits available in this Abstract preclude the possibility of remarks by the way. But the impression made by the particulars furnished to the Society of the doings of the Auxiliaries included in the division of the great British Empire which hies across the Atlantic, is in the highest degree encouraging to the Society and praiseworthy in the Auxiliaries themselves.

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It 800 CONCLUSION.—Your Committee have now completed their annual survey of the world-wide field in which they have been employed.

Scholarship, trained in the schools and sanctified at the mercy-seat, has provided them again and again with seed for the sower, and the gifts of the living and the legacies of the dead have enabled them to turn the seed of the sower into bread for the eater.

Your Agents have gone forth to sow beside all waters, and your Committee take a final glance at the waters beside which they have been at work.

The reports from every part of Europe with one consent bear testimony to the hardness and pressure of the times. Alike in countries involved in struggle and in countries which lie outside it, your colporteurs have been everythesses to the deepest poverty, and earwitnesses of its pitifel wait.

In Finland, a colporteur abandoned his work, having utterly lost heart. In Norway, Testaments have been paid for by a stand for a beenive or a pair of wooden skates. In Lithuania a colporteur was paid in potatoes. In some parts of Austria the Government has had to step in to help to keep the people slive; and in Poland, men have even committed suicide that they might awaken compassion for their perishing wives and children.

These are the 'waters of bitterness,' by them the colporteurs have sowed, for only the knowledge of God's compassion can sweeten these.

In Holland and Belgium a mighty controversy is raging; and though the forces are diverse the field of battle is the same. In Holland, an unbelieving Rationalism, with the law at its back, thrusts the Bible out of the schools, and that, too, in the land which gave nurture to Erasmus. In Belgium, a godless treethought refuses to distinguish between the claims which are of heaven and those which are of men, and is alike indifferent to Christ and Anti-christ. The land is divided into two camps, the population is involved in hopeless struggle, and the end no man can forsee. These are the waters of strife. By them also your Agents have sowed, for only the knowledge of the Love of Jesus can pacify these.

In Poland, in Russia, in Asia Minor, and in other places where Jews are dispersed, your colporteurs meet with earnest and open-minded men, who come like Nicodemus by night

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to buy and to read the New Testament of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. For such persons, it would seem, has Dr. Delitzsch been raised up to provide the New Testament in the sacred tongue. For these also, have others laboured to provide the various versions in which Hebrew mixes with modern speech. These are the waters of Shiloah, which go softly. In these, if he plunge, may Israel lose his guilt and his blindness together; here, therefore, also, have the colporteurs been sowing, believing that God's Holy Spirit can vivify these.

Lastly, in the Islands of the seas, too numerous for mention, the 'wild eyes which watch the wave' have seen Jesus walking those waters. He has come to them with gentle aspect, and made them gentle too. He has driven out the spirit of cruelty, born of terror and of night. No other name is known to them. A blessed ignorance and a blessed knowledge leave them the disciples of an undisputed Master. His word is their library, his revelation their rule of life. These are the "waters of comfort.' The visions of the Prophets are

realised beside such waters as these, metrodies a sugudi.

It is no abrupt transition of thought to pass from the contemplation of these earthly things, to the contemplation of the heavenly things, of which at the best they are a faint reflection, and towards which at the worst they are an unconscious struggle.

And he showed me a pure river of the water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Referring again to the work of the Auxiliary the Committee have much pleasure in noticing the continued and still increasing hold the work of the Society has on the affections of the people. Mr. Toland, the Agent, has continued his laborious journeys to the Branches, and has been received with kindness by patrons and friends. His report hereto annexed,

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shows both the nature of the work, the encouragements and some of the discouragements received. The warmest thanks of the Committee are tendered to those friends throughout the Province who have so signally assisted him, and who have esteemed him very "highly for his works' sake." of using these books to retain the

The circulation for the year 1879 is a fraction less in Bibles, and an increase in Testaments compared with the previous year, and is as follows:

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Little comment is necessary on the above figures, they continue to indicate what has been over and over again intimeted, that with the Depository, Colportage, the Book Room, and the Depositories at the Branches, there need not be a place in our Province where the Bible may not be had, and that, too, at a price that almost the poorest, or the friend of the poorest, may ther grant of twenty dollars, for the partition .seaforth

Several years ago your Committee granted Mr. C. F. Fraser, Superintendent of the Institution for the Blind, the sum of thirty dollars, to be expended by him in the purchase of five copies of the New Testament, printed in raised characters. These books have been circulated throughout the Province, and have been used not only by the graduates of the Institution,

but also by persons who have lost their sight at a comparatively late period in life. The supply, however, falls far short of the demand, and it has been found that in almost every instance there has been a strong desire on the part of those who have had the privilege of using these books to retain the same for a much longer period than the limited supply of volumes would allow. One old lady, in Lunenburg County, writing to the Superintendent, states that although for years she had good sight, and consequently had free access to the Bible, she never understood its real value, until her sight being gone, she succeeded in learning to read that same Bible in raised characters. This is but one case out of many that might be cited. The circulating library, which has just been established in connection with the Institution, will doubtless be of great advantage to the blind throughout the Maritime Provinces, but when we consider that in these Provinces there are at least seven hundred blind persons, the magnitude of the work to be accomplished by this library will be better understood. We would, therefore respectfully suggest that this Society make another grant of twenty dollars, for the purchase or portions of the Bible printed in raised characters, and the money could be raised by special subscriptions. The books thus purchased form part of the circulating library in connection with the Institution for the Blind, Halifax, N. S.

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The above statement is significant. We need not keep out of sight the fact that compared with what we were a few years ago, the income has fallen off, and what was first felt in the city has spread to the country, and your Committee regret to report a decrease in the subscriptions. Could nothing be done to decrease the expenditure! It is believed the same amount of expense for agency labour, printing, &c., would be necessary though the income of the Society were quadrupled. The times bring changes we are sometimes unprepared for ; the new translation of the New Testament is announced, and the enquiry comes already, Will the Parent Society adopt the new version as a part of its circulation of the English Bible." To this we have no authoritative reply. But our stock on hand is very extensive, and the wish of the Committee will not be to increase it. And as the facilities for supplying the Scriptures in Nova Scotia are already complete outside the Society and its Branches, let the depote be discontinued, and the whole work of the Auxiliary be devoted in favour of the translation work of the Parent/Society, and sending the Bible to those who, but for the British and Foreign Bible Society and kindred institutions, could never have had it. Could nothing be done to increase the income? By the same amount of expense, or very little more, the income might be indefinitely increased. And how? By every individual who believes His Word obeying His command in His own message. "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse and prove me,

saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." and the state of the

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Reference has already been made to the changes in your list of officers by death. Gratitude for past service, and esteem for the memory of those removed demand that we would give a passing thought in remembrance of those who usually occupied a place on the platform at the Anniversary.

One of the Vice-Presidents, the Hon. Judge Marshall, united with this Society in the year 1826. He was several years out of the Province, but wherever he was, in all his labours of love, the Bible cause seemed to be his great aim; "the defence of the Bible," the circution of the Bible, the extension of Bible knowledge, and indeed almost every subject connected with the Bible, has been the study of his life. Soon after his return to Halifax he was elected a member of the Committee, and on the 28th November, 1870, he was elected to the office of Vice-President, in both of which offices he was constant in his attendance at meetings, even when the condition of the weather and the infirmities of age might have excused any other man, for no weather would prevent the Judge from occupying his seat at the Anniversary meeting. He died at the advanced age of 93, few men leaving a better record of a long and active life.

The next whose loss we have to deplore is the Rev. Canon Cochrane, whose name has stood first on the printed list of members of your Committee since 1853.

The Rev. Dr. used to tell with glowing animation about the first Bible he purchased in the then town of Halifax, and the struggles of early settlers-in the country to obtain the Word of Life. In the later years of his life, when he settled in the city of Halifax, he closely identified himself with the Bible Society cause. His addresses at the annual meetings have a place in our memories, and were always animated and commanded deep attention.

The last vacancy in your Committee was caused by the universally-lamented departure of James B. Morrow, Esq. ; and that vacancy here, as in other philanthropic institutions in this city, it will be hard to fill. He has been identified with the Society ever since he commenced business in Halifax, and a member of Committee since 1861. Trave dearns be there bear

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All those died in faith, and all those changes read lessons to us. "The grass withereth, the flower thereof fadeth, but the Word of our God endureth forever." Even so, be it ours in our day and generation to make known this imperishable Word to all of every kindred, every tongue and nation.

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MR. TOLAND'S REPORT

To the Committee of the Nova Scotia Auxiliary Bible Society:

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I began the visitation of the Branches this year at Digby. On Wednesday evening, May 5th, I addressed a small assembly in the vestry of the Methodist Church. I found the president, Dr. Stephen, at his post as usual, and his contribution ready to be handed to me. On account of several failures in business, and other causes, it was slightly less than last year.

The next meeting was held in Bear River on Thursday evening. This Branch has not been in a healthy condition for some years past. It was proposed to hold a public meeting in the Temperauce Hall, and to make an effort to re organize and put the Branch in a better condition.

Only five persons assembled in the Court House, Annapolis, on Friday evening, 7th May. I had some suspicion that notice of the meeting had not been fully published, and I resolved to make another effort on my return from Windsor, and accordingly I put a notice in the Annapolis Journal, and also directed hand-bills to be put up announcing a meeting for Tuesday, 25th May, and went on to

Wilmot, where in the R. P. Church I addressed a good gathering at 11 a.m., and got a collection of \$8.25. At 7 p.m. went to Margaretville and had a large audi-

ence in Margeson's Hall, obtained a very small collection, and proceeded next day to Aylesford. Was very kindly received and entertained by the Rev. Mr. Gaetz, from whom I received \$1.50 that had been collected since my last visit. The meeting in the Baptist Church was very small. Still there are some friends of the Society in Aylesford; after the meeting two friends handed me each half-a-dollar, and a third gave me twenty-five cents.

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On Tuesday 11th May, went on to fill an appointment I had made at Berwick. The meeting in the Methodist Church was very fair as regards numbers, but from the result of the meeting the previous year, as well as this, I deem it useless to spend time in Berwick.

There was the usual interesting meeting in the Hall, Somerset, on Wednesday evening. I was happy to find the esteemed President, Mr. Bent, still able to occupy the chair, and the excellent Secretary, George Fisher, Esq., manifesting, as usual, the liveliest interest in the work of our Society. The contribution on this occasion amounted to nearly \$20.00, or an increase of \$4 on the subscription of last year. It would be very ungrateful in me not to mention the uniform kindness I have received from Silas Bishop, Esq. He is not only by far the largest subscriber to the funds of the Bible Society in Somerset, but he has shewn me the greatest kindness ever since I visited the place, for the first time, in 1877.

In Kentville, the gathering in the Methodist Church was small, still the meeting was a very spirited one. The President, Judge Blanchard, occupied the chair, and Mr. Eaton read an excellent Report. The contribution last year was about \$30.00. I enjoyed, as usual, the warm hospitality of the President, and many tokens of good will from other friends.

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I visited Canning the next day, and had a fair gathering in the Methodist Church. This Branch has done very little in the way of contributing to the funds of the Society for the last four years, meeting after meeting collectors have been appointed, but never anything done. Dr. J. S. Millar, was elected President, and E. Beckwith Sec-Treasurer, and I have the fullest confidence that something will be done during the present year.

On Saturday, 15th May, I spoke to about a dozen persons in Union Hall, Church Street, the collection was very small, but I obtained \$5.00 from Mr. Chase's family, which raised the contribution to \$6.44. This was more than I ever received at Church Street before.

Mr. E Chase kindly drove me to Horton next day. I addressed a small audience in the Reformed Presbyterian Church at 11 a.m., and on Monday evening the turn out in the Methodist Church was not so large as usual. I obtained a few subscriptions, and the promise of more, and went on next day to Avonport, where in Union Church there was a fair gathering for the place. The contribution from Avonport was never large, but this year it was even smaller than usual.

The meeting of Windsor Branch was held in the Methodist Church, and very thinly attended. But in Avendale next evening had the pleasure of addressing a very fine audience. Avendale is one of our Branches that it is very pleasant to visit. Experienced the usual kindness from J. W. Allison, Esq., and proceeded to the beautiful village of Brooklyn. Found the President, J. F. Cochran, Esq., at his post, and all needful arrangements made for meeting. The collectors of last year, who were very successful, will act this year again. Kindly taken next morning to Ellershouse, by Rev. E. McNab, and went by train to Lawrencetown.

Addressed two good meetings in the Methodist Church, Lawrencetown, on Sabbath 23rd, and obtained

of collections and contributions \$11.08, of this sum two friends gave me \$9.00 and the remainder was taken up in a collection.

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Went on next day to Bridgetown, the turn out in the Methodist Church was very small; R. E. Randolph, Esq., handed me \$14.00, which had been collected since my last visit.

The meeting in the Court House, Annapolis, was not very encouraging. I had taken every means to secure a good attendance, but to no purpose. The lady who collected so successfully last year kindly promised to make an effort this year again.

On Thursday, July 8th, set out for Oxford, Cumberland County. The meeting held in the Methodist Church was smaller than usual. I hope that an effort will be made to collect something in aid of the funds of the Society.

Went on mext day to Wallace, and experienced another disappointment. Only five or six persons assembled at the place of meeting. The president, Hon. A. McFarlane, declared he felt ashamed and mortified to think that in a large professing christian community, so little interest was manifested in such an institution as the Bible Society.

Proceeded next day to Pictou, and thence by steamer to Port Hood, Cape Breton. The officers of this Branch were absent, and the meeting in the Presbyterian Church was small. Still, I obtained a larger contribution than I ever got before from Port Hood.

Next evening the gathering in the Hall, Mabou, was good. The collectors will go round as usual in due time.

Through the kindness of H. Murray, Esq., I got a free passage to Margaree, saving me two dollars. I regretted that the Meeting in the Methodist Church

was small, as I have always had a large gathering in this Branch. The President, E. Ross, Esq., occupied the chair, and promised to have the contribution collected as usual toward the full of the year.

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Went through the same night to Baddeck, got \$9.50 from J. Hart, Esq., and A. Cameron Esq., and took the steamer Neptune for Sydney. Held the usual meeting on Friday evening, 16th July, and next day with the aid of D. McLellan, Esq., gathered up from the friends in Sydney above \$35.00. I cannot express the kindness I received from Mr. McLellan and his family.

On Sabbath, 18th July, I addressed three meetings, the first in the Presbyterian Church, North Sydney, at 11 a.m. At 3 p.m. went to Bras' d'or and had a fine gathering in a large school house and got a collection of \$6.14. The third meeting was held at the Bar at 7 p.m. The collection amounted to nearly \$27.00.

Next day went on in the Neptune to West Bay and afterwards by stage to Port Hawkesbury. Held a small but very spirited meeting in the Bethel, got a good collection, and the promise of the President that more will be gathered up about the month of September.

It would be very ungrateful in me not to mention the kindness of Capt. Beatty, owner of the Steamer Neptune, who has given me a free passage for five years, saving the Bible Society in that time, at least \$20.00.

Took the Steamer Scad for Pictou, and there the train for Truro, arriving at 4.30 p.m., proceeded at once to Maitland, and addressed a very fair meeting in the Presbyterian Church. This is one of the best Branches connected with our N. S. Auxiliary, and has contributed both liberally and steadily for many years. The new minister Rev. T. C. Jack, was appointed President, with R. B. Eaton, Esq, as Secretary-Treasurer.

Had the usual large with the President of Wednesday evening, 21st July. The President of Wednesday evening, 21st July. It was a very encour-Had the usual large and hearty meeting at Noel on aging meeting, and the contributions exceed those of

last year.

Through the kindness of Rev. S. Bernard was driven next evening to Upper Selmah. Rev. Mr. Hart presided at the meeting, which was composed entirely of his own congregation, there was not one of any other denomination present on the occasion. I received the deepest attention while I endeavoured to lay before the audience the claims of the Bible Society. David Smith, Esq., kindly sent his horse and wagon to drive me next morning to Black Rock Ferry.

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On my way to Acadia Mines I met the President in Trano; he handed me \$10.00 which had been collected since my last visit, and as he was to be unavoidably absent from the meeting in the evening, he appointed another gentleman to take his place on that occasion.

The meeting which was held in the Presbyterian Church was well attended, and a small collection was added to what I had received from Mr. Logan in the morning. I have good hopes that this Branch which was organized last year, will soon be among the most efficient connected with our Auxiliary.

On Thursday, Sept. 9, proceeded to Brookfield, Colchester Co., and at 7,30 p.m., addressed a good meeting in the Presbyterian Church; got a small collection of \$3.27 and went on to Middle Stewiseke. The evening proved to be very stormy and entirely prevented the meeting there. The president was absent, and next day I waited on Mr. Rutherford, the Secretary, and made arrangements to have the contributions of this Branch made up about the end of October

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The same evening addressed a fair representation of Upper Stewiacke Branch. The Rev. E. Grant presided. The collectors will go round before the first November.

There was a fine gathering at Springside on Sabbath, 12th Sept., at 11 am., and a fair meeting at South Branch, Stewiacke, at 3 p.m. Went on next day, through the kindness of Mr. Diarmid, to Musquodoboit. The gathering in Temperance Hall was not large, but the meeting proved to be very interesting. Collectors were appointed, and I would hope that there will be a fair contribution from this Branch as usual.

Next morning a good friend of the Bible Society, Jenathan Layton, Esq., conveyed me on my way to Gay's River, where in the evening I addressed a very small meeting in the Presbyterian Church, and Mr. Cook kindly sent me on next morning to Milford, whence I proceed to Shubenacadie; the meeting here was a complete failure. Went on to Lower Stewiacke, obtained a small collection, \$4.30, and set out for Antigonish. A fine meeting in Mr Goodfellow's Church W. J. Beck, Esq., in the chair. Collectors were appointed at the close.

On Sabbath, 19th Sept., addressed three meetings at Glenelg, Goldenville, and Sherbrooke, obtained at all \$36.00, and set out at 10 p.m. to drive all night to New Glasgow.

The next meeting, which was held at Folly Village, was peculiarly encouraging. The President, R. Morrison, Esq., occupied the chair. Rev. James Sinclair conducted opening exercises. At the close, S. F. Morrison, Esq., reported \$28.40 collected, of which \$10.00 was a bequest of the President's son, lately deceased. This sum was handed to me next morning.

Lower Londonderry Branch met in the Church, Great Village. The attendance was the largest for four years. Subscription lists were circulated in the meeting, and the amount will be forwarded before 1st Nov.

Addressed the friends in Portaupique on Thursday, 23rd Sept., and at Bass River next evening. Went on to Economy, and presented the claims of the Society to a good meeting in the Presbyterian Church on Sabbath evening.

The turn out in Five Islands was not so large as I have seen it, and the collection made at the meeting was small. Collectors will go round as usual.

Tried Parishero the following day; meeting in Methodist Church was very fair, some \$10 was subscribed, and I hope this will be considerably increased before remittance is made.

The meeting in Amherst was small, but very interesting. It was thought that a change of officers would probably tend to promote the efficiency of this Branch; F. B. Robb, Esq., was chosen President, and C. S. Chapman, Esq., Sec.y-Treasurer. The appointment of Collectors was left with the officers. A good contribution has since been sent in.

On Tuesday, 9th November, I set out for St. John, N. B., and thence the day following, by steamer for Yarmouth. The most interesting meeting that I have seen in that town was held in the vestry of the Presbyterian Church, Dr. J. C. Farish in the chair. I spent two days in collecting, and with the aid of Messrs. Spinney and Dauglas obtained in all nearly \$75.00. Never did I hear so many expressions of regret from the friends of the Society that they were not able to give more.

Went, on Saturday 13th, to Barrington, and in the Church, where the meeting was to be held the same

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evening, I found two men. Returned to the Head, for this was at the passage, and next day, Sabbath 14th, addressed a noble meeting in the Methodist Church at 11 a. m. The esteemed Secretary, R. H. Crowell, Esq., handed me \$16.67, and the collection at meeting amounted to \$7.08, making in all \$23.75 from Barrington Head. I may add that I received marked kindness and encouragement from the Rev. J. R. Hart, as indeed I uniformly do from all the Ministers of the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

The same day at 7.30 p.m., went to Port La Tour and addressed a good meeting, got \$4.35 collected by Mrs. Joseph Smith, and proceeded next day to Shelburne. The gathering here was very small; more than \$10.00, however, was subscribed at the meeting, which will be collected, and I hope increased, before the end of the year. \$14 has since been received from Shelburne.

The next effort was made in Milton, Queen's Co. We had a very fine audience in the Congregational Clurch. The failure of the Liverpool Bank has affected many here; still, I gathered up \$9.35, which was \$3.00 more than last year. Miss J. Tupper, whom I furnished with a subscription paper, kindly promised to try and collect something more.

The Liverpool meeting was small for the place. Mrs. W. Anderson consented to give her valuable services in collecting again. She spends two weeks every year in canvassing the town, and is always very successful. She is the only collector in Liverpool.

Proceeded by stage to Mill Village and addressed a very small audience in the Methodist Church there.

Mr. J. F. Mack presided; \$6.50 was subscribed at meeting and I hope something more will be obtained.

In consequence of the departure of the President of Bridgewater Branch for the United States, and other reasons, the meeting there was a failure.

Addressed a good meeting in Lunenburg at 3 p. in. on Sabbath, 21st November, I got only 38.66, but more will be collected and remitted in good time for the Report.

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I was sorry that, on account of the prevalence of storm, I did not get to the meeting in although I was told that a very good andience had assembled, notwithstanding the inchement off the weather. Rev. A. Hockin more than compensated my absence, being well acquainted with the world the Society, and I think, warmly interested in the I received here from the Rev. I. Simpsonland did cellent lady.

The audience in the Presbyterian Church at Malione Bay was, as usual, small. Rev. J. A. Sheden Lutheran Minister, kindly occupied the chair in the absence of Rev. D. S. Fraser. The collection amounted to 0085, to which the Chairman added \$1.00 and Principal Esq., of Halifax, \$2.00.

The President of Chester Branch had removed my last visit, to New Brunswick, and his successor refused to give notice of the meeting, thought to do so by a lady in the town. There quence no meeting in Chester. The lade kindly consented to use her best endeavore to collecte little.

The next meeting, a very small one, was held iff the new Baptist Church, Dartmouth. In the ablence of the President, Rev. Mr. Angwin took the chair. B. D. L. Messrs. Grant and Doane addressed the

the Secretary, Rev. P. Morrison reported \$120.00 collected. A vote of thanks to the collectors was carried unanimously.

Held a small meeting at Lower Stewiacke on Friday, 26th November. Rev. Mr. Henry presided, and as usual rendered very efficient aid. I got a small collection and went on next day to Botsford, N. B.

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Respectfully submitted,

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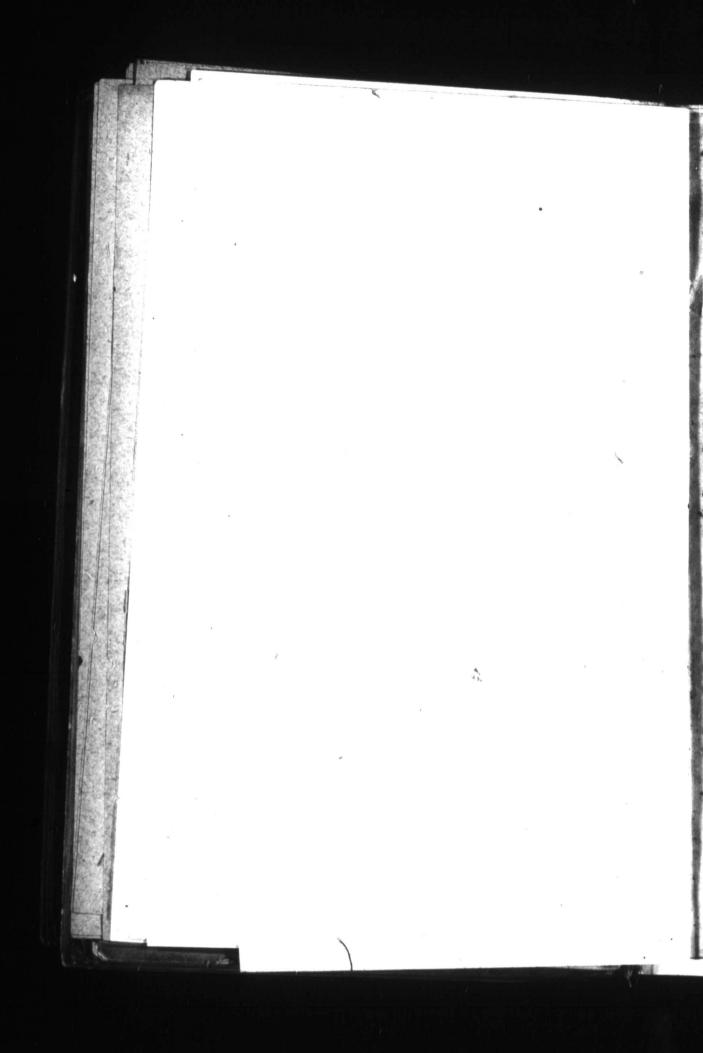
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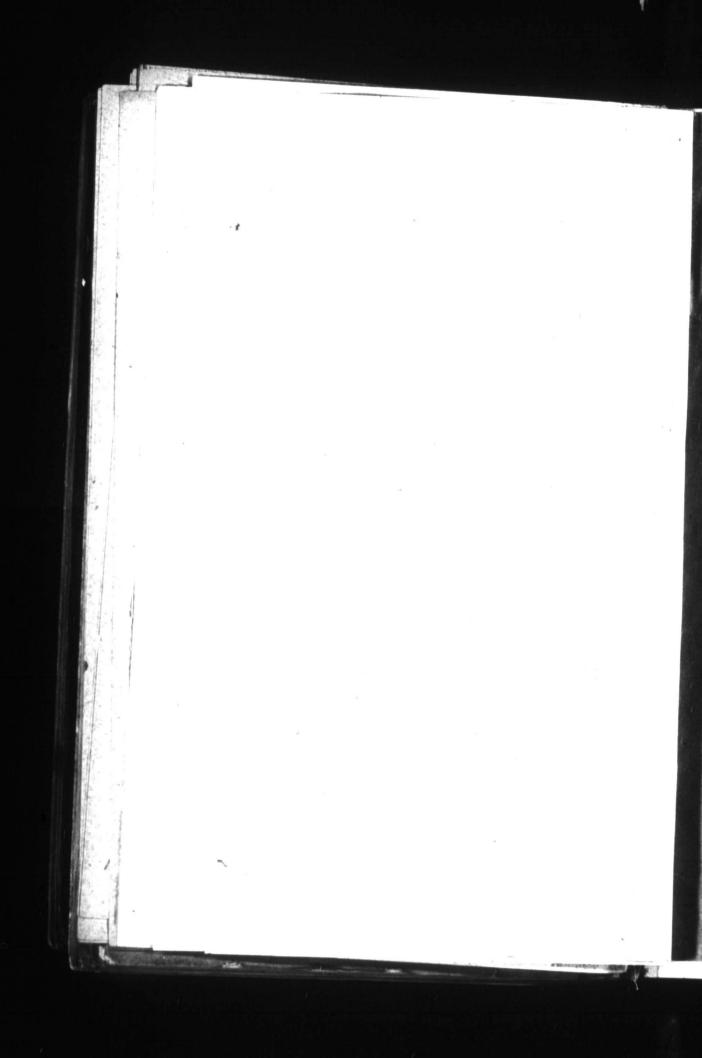


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