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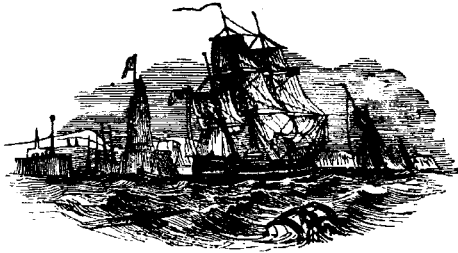


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The FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING of the AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY was held Monday May 10th, at 2 o'clock p. m., in the Chapel of the SAILORS' HOME, 190 Cherry Street, New York, RICHARD P. BUCK, Esq., President, in the chair. After prayer by the Rev. C. J. JONES, Chaplain of the Sailor's Snug Harbor, the minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Report of the Trustees for the past year, was submitted and ordered to be printed. An Abstract of the Report which was read by Secretary HALL, showed a prosperous condition of the work of the Society in its several departments.

Interesting addresses were made in response to the call of the President, by the Rev. Drs. SPAULDING, HOPPER and LOOMIS, and by Chaplain JONES, and L. P. HUBBARD, Esq., and special mention was made of the very great need of enlarged accommodations for Seamen visiting this port. In view of the approaching Semi-Centenary of the Society, it was referred to the Trustees to consider the practicality of inaugurating a movement for a new and commodious HOME, that should correspond to the commercial importance of this port, and do credit to the Society. Large and generous contributions have been already tendered to that end.

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CHRISTIAN WORK AMONG SEAMEN often presents us with facts that singularly illustrate the influence and process of religious truth in radically transforming human character. A letter has come to hand within a few days, from Liverpool, directed "to the Manager of the New York Sailors' Home, in Cherry Street," containing a one pound note, (£1) with this brief explanation and history: "From an old sailor. I boarded at the Sailors' Home soon after it was opened. When I left I brought away a Bible, and this is to replace it." The Home was opened in 1842. Thirty-three years thereafter, the bread then cast upon the waters is found again; and the old sailor who carried off a Bible that did not belong to him, in the reading of that Bible has been turned from his wrong, and evinces the sincerity of his penitence by this deed of gratitude and love.

And, doubtless, could we summon for their testimony, the uncounted thousands who sleep at the bottom of the sea, they would likewise respond with their blessing upon a work that from its inception has been most signally favored of Him, who, claims the SEA as His own, and has revealed His purpose to use it with its myriad toilers, in conquering the world.

"Roll on, thou mighty ocean,
And as thy billows flow,
Bear messengers of mercy
To every land below;
Arise ye gales and waft them,
Safe to the destined shore;
That man may sit in darkness
And death's dark shade no more."

GENERAL POLICY.

The experience of another year has demonstrated the wisdom of the general policy upon which the Society has continued to prosecute its special work. It was organized "to improve the social and moral condition of seamen," and has always held that this end could be successfully accomplished, only by giving to seamen, the Gospel. In doing that, its work is lifted from a mere philanthropy, to the nobler undertaking, which, from love to their souls, would win sailors to Christ, and thus in turn make ever-widening conquests for Him on all the oceans.

CONVERTED SAILORS.

A sailor converted is something more than a changed man merely—he is a changed man *in motion*. His previous character, if bad, was positively bad, and was no secret. Wherever he went, and his vocation called him everywhere, he was regarded a hard man, and was treated accordingly; and on his circuit of the world, more and more hardened by the treatment received, proclaiming his wickedness in every seaport, he demoralized whatever came in contact with him, and was practically an emissary of Satan in every clime and on every ocean. And it is on this account that the conversion of seamen is so devoutly to be desired. It not only subtracts from, and thus reduces the aggregate of existing influences for evil, but adds just so much to the evangelizing force that, in obedience to the sacred commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel," is in due time to subdue the nations to the sceptre of Christ.

CANNOT COUNT THEM.

It is the occasion of profound gratitude to God, that in the review of another year, our work among seamen appears, *in this spiritual aspect*, to have been greatly prospered. Statistics that shall exactly represent the result of our labors are altogether impracticable. Sailors graciously impregnated with the words heard in Bethels, and told them by missionaries on ship-board and in their temporary homes ashore, go off to sea, and in many an instance become Christians out of sight and range of reporter—sometimes never returning to the place they sailed from—numbers of them indeed never returning at all to any port on earth.

MANY HAVE BEEN LOST.

The Lord hath made the depths of the sea, a way for *multitudes* of his ransomed ones to pass over ; and converted seamen by scores and hundreds, soon after finding the Savior have heard His summons on the waters, and answering to it, have passed directly to the heavenly service.

MORE WORKERS THAN EVER.

But numbers have been spared to labor for Christ ; and joining hands with previous converts, they have correspondingly extended the lines of His kingdom, so that more workers have been abroad, and more work, and by the blessing of God, more successful work, has been done for Christ on the sea and among seamen, than ever before. This enlarged work has been a privilege, and its gracious results are our rejoicing in the Lord.

NORWAY.

Beginning, for a rapid survey, with the Scandinavian countries whence comes so large a proportion of the operatives of American commerce, we have had laboring for us during the last year at Christiania, NORWAY, the Rev. H. P. BERGH, a devoted missionary, whose letters have shown a steadily increasing interest in seamen and whatever has appertained to their temporal or spiritual welfare. From Christiania, Mr. Bergh has gone on frequent tours to neighboring seaports, where he has been welcome, preaching the word as he has had opportunity. In Frederickshold he held the first seamen's service ever known there. It was attended by a great crowd, and the people received the word gladly. Drammen, where he has had excellent congregations, is hereafter to be regularly supplied by a resident missionary, who will look after the sailors in port as a part of his regular work. Mr. Bergh has always shown great facility in interesting children, and has made great use of the Sabbath-school in extending his influence, a Sunday-school paper which he has edited having a very large circulation. During the year ending with last December, Mr. Bergh visited two hundred vessels of various nationalities, preached one hundred and fourteen sermons on shipboard to about eight thousand hearers, besides holding at least a hundred other ser-

vices, all which, with his visits to the sick and to the families of seamen, and the distributing of Bibles and tracts, and other ministerial duties, kept him constantly occupied. It is greatly to be regretted that he cannot continue in our special work, but having been appointed by the Superintendent of Missions of the M. E. Church to another field, he leaves us with the following parting words, viz.: "I thank God that during my three years' work in your Society, I have never hoisted my Bethel flag in vain, even when showers of rain threatened to prevent or disperse the congregation. Also, when other disturbances have taken place, the result has been an increased attendance afterward, and a greater blessing from above." His successor, H. J. WAHLSTROM, is strongly recommended as an earnest and successful missionary.

SWEDEN.

Our corps of workers in Sweden remains as heretofore, except at Gottenberg, where we have met with a serious loss, in the recent transfer of Rev. ANDREW FERNHOLM to the care of the church in Jonkoping, but we are assured that he bears with him an unabated interest in that class he has so faithfully and acceptably served. In his latest reports he states several facts in regard to Gottenberg and the contiguous province of Holland on the South, where he has labored for weeks together especially among the families of seamen, by whom the sea-coast is inhabited. He has carried the gospel to many unto whom it was made a spiritual blessing. "Many sinners," he says, "have there been brought to seek for salvation, and to many a sailor, and sailor's wife, and son, and daughter, has Jesus Christ been revealed as a Saviour." He speaks of his work however, as but a beginning made in what he considers a most important undertaking. Only a few first-fruits have been gathered: "a great field (as he says) is waiting for harvest." During the year 1874, Mr. Fernholm, as our missionary, visited seven hundred and fifty-three vessels in the single port of Gottenberg, distributing in the same time, over thirty-seven thousand pages of tracts, besides Bibles and Testaments in various languages, as the opportunity offered. And yet he speaks of all this with the utmost diffidence, closing his report as follows, viz.: "I am well aware of my many short-comings in minis-

tering to seamen ; none can be more so. May God, in the abundance of His grace, bless my little and imperfect work."

Pastor Truve, who first made us acquainted with Mr. Fernholm, has recommended a suitable man to succeed him in this important seaport, which, as its statistics show, is the second commercial city of Sweden, and his recommendation has been favorably considered.

Rev. N. P. WAHLSTEDT, at Helsingborg, has in a most satisfactory way continued to exercise the oversight of our general work, while he has been unceasing in his labors as a missionary at the station where his usefulness is recognized and steadily increasing. His statistical reports show great industry, and "incidents in missionary work," familiar to the readers of the MAGAZINE, illustrate his facility in preaching the Gospel so as to make it an unspeakable blessing. Places contiguous to Helsingborg, have had the advantage of his personal visitation, and by this instrumentality many from those sea-faring communities have been hopefully converted. In a letter dated March 8th, Mr. Wahlstedt states that with the exception of Helsingborg, every Swedish port was closed to foreign countries. It has been a fearful winter in all Northern Europe for seamen and seamen's families, and our missionaries have had more than their usual work on that account. But they have been compensated in the gratitude expressed for kindness rendered, and in the opportunity thereby afforded to re-tell the story of a Savior's love.

Mr. Wahlstedt states an interesting fact, showing the influence of our work in those far off regions. As in the fishing village of Rää, where some years ago he wrought as a missionary, they now have a mission-house, where Sabbath services are regularly held, with a Sabbath-school of sixty children, so now are the people moving for the same thing in the recently visited fishing villages of Wiken and Torehow. "The Lord hath done great things by His work, for our sailors and fishing men, (says Mr. Wahlstedt,) whereof we are glad."

At Gefle, where Mr. ERICKSSON has been faithfully laboring, much good has been accomplished. His missionary tours to places on the sea-coast have carried the word to many who have received it with rejoicing faith, and an unusual number

have been hopefully converted. He gives an account of a visit recently made to a sea Captain, once connected with missionary work in the Sandwich Islands, who opened his house for religious services that were continued with much profit to the people for several days.

Mr. C. CARLSON, at Warberg and Wedige, and that veteran sailor-missionary, JOHN LINDELIUS, of Gothland, have prosecuted their work with characteristic industry, receiving many tokens of divine approbation. As showing the degree of religious interest wide-spread among the people, Mr. Carlson says: "The Lord has enkindled a heavenly fire in many hearts, which is extending more and more. Almost every day I have had the opportunity of speaking with inquirers about their salvation."

At Stockholm, on the Eastern Coast, the Rev. A. M. LJUNGBERG has devoted himself to the sailors, who, in the season of navigation, throng that important seaport, and his letters show fidelity and success. A careful review of the labors of these brethren in Sweden, as they have been regularly reported to us, discloses the fact that their influence for good is not confined to the stations where they are located, but that the whole country for miles around, wherever seamen and their families reside, is benefited by them. No mere statistics can measure their work. They visit, and preach, and pray, and with the zeal of primitive missionaries are constantly helping sinners to the Saviour, and qualifying men to live and die. It is a self-denying and humble life, but the Master honors it with significant blessing.

DENMARK.

In Denmark, until near the close of 1874, Mr. H. HANSEN continued to serve us at Copenhagen, but upon being appointed to the Veile Circuit, after the recent visit of Bishop Harris to those parts, his work among seamen was undertaken by his former helper, Mr. Jensen. The resident Superintendent of M. E. Missions has kindly recommended a suitable man, should he be needed, to take Mr. Hansen's place. The experience and zeal of Rev. P. E. RYDING, have rendered his services unusually valuable to us the last year, and we are glad that he is able to resume his former charge, while continuing to care for seamen at Bornholm and Ronne, with occasional visits to

Ysland and Malmo. He reports for the last year having preached one hundred and twenty-two sermons, visited one thousand and twenty-one vessels, distributing also two hundred and ninety-six Bibles and Testaments, and tracts and books in the English, German, Finn, Dutch, Danish, and Russian languages, making a busy year in spiritual seed-sowing.

Mr. F. L. RYMKER, stationed at Odense, has been indefatigable in the good work, and has been graciously rewarded for his industry. Notwithstanding his well-known physical embarrassment, this excellent brother made seven hundred and eight visits to sea-going vessels, one thousand three hundred and eighty-nine to seamen's families, besides holding meetings, distributing tracts, religious books, Bibles, and Testaments, in fourteen different seaports. He closes his report with these hopeful words, viz. : "I have good reason to believe that all this incorruptible seed will bring forth fruit in God's good time." And so it will, most assuredly.

ANTWERP, BELGIUM.

Rev. E. W. MATTHEWS, at Antwerp, our missionary conjointly with the British and Foreign Sailors' Society, has, during the past year, made considerable progress in the matter of a new Bethel and Sailors' Institute, a site having been selected and purchased for the same, admirably located for the convenience of the shipping. He has secured several generous subscriptions in Great Britain toward this laudable object, and hopes for something equally liberal from the friends of seamen in this country.

FRANCE : MARSEILLES, HAVRE.

Passing to the Continent, we have to notice the appointment of Rev. H. S. BROOKS, at Marseilles, in place of the Consular Chaplain, Rev. GORDON THOMPSON, whose interest in seamen gave great efficiency to his labors. Our usual appropriation has been made for the current year in aid of the Sailors' Club and Reading Room, and Mr. Brooks courteously acknowledges the timeliness of special donations through this Society from American friends whose personal inspection has satisfied them of the very great importance of that undertaking.

Rev. HENRY ROGERS, at Havre, maintains his hold upon the congregation to which he has ministered for many years, and seems vigorous as ever in the work before him. His audiences fluctuate with the shipping in port, but he is never without enough to do, both for himself and Mr. POHLMAN, who remains as his valued helper. His chapel, belonging to this Society, and to the refitting of which we made a liberal appropriation, as mentioned in our last Report, has become so attractive as to excite the notice of government officials. "We are sometimes visited (says Mr. Rogers) by the Sergeants de Ville, who look on during our service. I am pleased to hear that their report is favorable as to the orderly and devout demeanor of our congregations. The number of seamen seen walking to our evening worship, seems to have aroused curiosity if not suspicion, but the examination proved there was no cause for alarm. One of them remarked, 'I wish all the "matelot Americain" would come to your place, for we have much trouble with some who frequent other places;' a wish in which I fervently united."

SOUTHERN EUROPE.

Letters from Rev. DONALD MILLER who kindly superintends the labors of our Italian colporteur, Signor ANTONIO DELFINO, in the harbor of Genoa, have been received so late as the 15th of February. He tersely presents the condition of things at that station in the single sentence, "Mr. Jones is doing well and the colporteur continues to give full satisfaction." The colporteur's journal shows commendable industry on his part, and both skill and success in bringing the Gospel to the serious attention of the men met with on his visits to the shipping in the harbor. Large numbers are reached in this way who otherwise would not come under any evangelical influence whatever. The same benefits are resulting to seamen who from all parts of the world come into the Italian port of Spezia, where the Rev. EDWARD CLARKE kindly greets them with word and tract. In writing of this matter Mr. Clarke says: "I am thankful to tell you that a considerable number of sailors and mariners of this port, attend our religious services, and I have had some beautiful exemplifications of thankfulness on the part of sailors of various nations for the attention I have given them. I shall not

soon forget the gratitude of an American sailor on board one of your ships of war for the personal interest I took in him. May God more abundantly than ever, bless the AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY."

The same appropriation as heretofore has been made for supplies to be furnished to Mr. STEPHENS, the experienced colporteur at Florina, Malta, who gladly interests himself in the spiritual welfare of the comparatively few seamen he meets with from this country.

SOUTH AMERICA.

We have recently been permitted the pleasure of a visit from the Rev. Dr. TRUMBULL, who in the year 1847, as joint Chaplain of this Society and the American and Foreign Christian Union, opened a Bethel at Valparaiso for the crowd of seamen annually arriving at that port.

The large and commanding church to which he now ministers had its origin in this enterprise, and Dr. Trumbull's interest in the welfare of sailors is unabated. The colporteur, Mr. E. MULLER, who attends to the supply of the shipping with Bibles, tracts, &c., continues his work with marked usefulness, but the representations personally made to the Board, by Dr. Trumbull, at their meeting in March last, with accompanying statistics, seemed to justify the effort to maintain a chaplain at that important sea-port. Correspondence is in progress for the purpose of securing a suitable man, in whose support, also, the Union church is expected to assist.

We are indebted to the missionaries of the Presbyterian Board for kindness rendered to seamen in the port of Buenos Ayres, and would record our grateful acknowledgement of the same.

It is to be regretted that there is not a better understanding among the friends of seamen at Callao, where this Society holds the title to the valuable church property occupied by the English Chaplain; and it has become a serious question what disposition can be made of the same, the better to reach the spiritual need of our sailors entering there. Attention has also been called to the importance of Panama as a station that might be occupied to very great advantage, could the right man be found to undertake its charge.

JAPAN.

Mr. WM. T. AUSTEN at Yokohama has proved himself worthy of Mrs. Pruy'n's commendation, at whose instance he was commissioned as colporteur in place of Mr. JOHN ROBERTS, the converted Greek sailor, who could not be denied the privilege of carrying the Gospel to his countrymen at home. Mr. Austen arrived at Yokohama in good time, and took up the work there with such practical wisdom as to make his labors a success from their very beginning. He speaks of the common experience of seamen's missionaries, when he says in a recent letter, "I find my hands quite full. My work is better appreciated, and although I meet with many discouragements, yet I am encouraged to labor on by the divine promise. Much of what is done is not seen, for as a rule merchant ships do not stop long in this port, and about as soon as I work an interest in any one ship she sails away." Testimonials of his usefulness have been forwarded to us from Manilla and from Hong Kong, and Mrs. Pruy'n says of him, "I think he promises to be one of the greatest powers among seamen that have ever been raised up. He wins the confidence and respect of all who come in contact with him, and is himself so growing in grace and knowledge, that even older Christians are benefited by his prayers and instructions." The Consular Chaplain, our friend and the sailors' friend, Rev. E. W. SYLE, has shown Mr. Austen personal kindness which we desire to acknowledge.

At stations in the vicinity, and also on the Chinese coast, the missionary brethren of various denominations evince gratifying interest in seamen, and we cheerfully respond to their application for reading matter, making the necessary appropriations to that end as heretofore.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.

Honolulu has lines of influence extending through seamen to every city throughout the world, visited by shipping. Our Chaplain there, Rev. S. C. DAMON, D.D., says, that he is in constant intercourse with seamen from Japan, China, Australia, South-Sea Islands, South and North America and the cities of Europe.

The forty-first Annual Report of the Honolulu Chaplaincy, which appeared in the *SAILORS' MAGAZINE* for March, is exceedingly suggestive, and we would here refer to it for its interesting history and statistics, quoting the following significant, closing paragraphs, viz :

"During the past year, the regular services in the Bethel have been held without a single intermission. Nearly every Sabbath I have preached, for it is no easy matter in Honolulu to rely upon obtaining aid from ministers of the gospel who are unemployed. Early in the Spring my pulpit was ably supplied two or three Sabbaths by the Rev. G. B. Bacon, D. D., of Orange, N. J., who was on a visit to the islands for his health. One of his sermons was based upon the text: "But out of them all the Lord delivered me." 2 Tim., iii., 11. His subject—"A way out." This sermon will long be remembered by some of my people.

My congregation is never large, compared with some, but usually the Bethel is well filled, and sometimes there is a remarkable variety in nationality. On one occasion I chanced to look around and remembered no less than ten representatives of different nationalities, viz.: American, British, Chinese, German, Russian, Danish, Swedish, Norwegian, African, and South Sea Islanders. Although it could not be asserted that each one heard the gospel preached "in his own tongue wherein he was born," as on the day of Pentecost, yet I hope all understood sufficiently the English language to understand that "sweet story of old" which makes known that whosoever will come unto Christ may find "rest and peace." Among those who have been united with the Bethel church, during the past year, are two Chinamen, who were respectively baptized by the names of "John" and "Joseph."

For six or seven years a Chinese evening school has been sustained at the Bethel vestry, three evenings each week, and taught by Mr. Dunscombe, and also a prayer-meeting for the Chinese, one evening each week. Although these efforts have been small, yet I think the blessing of God has rested upon them.

Our Bethel Sabbath School has been vigorously sustained and well attended, averaging from 75 to 100 each Sabbath.

The Sailors' Home has been managed by Mr. Dunscombe and wife, and to the full satisfaction of our local Board of Trustees.

During the past year, ships of war, both American and English, have been lying in port, and daily some of their seamen have been on shore. Commanders of these vessels do not hesitate to assert that Honolulu is one of the best ports in the world, for seamen to come on shore for liberty. Only two days ago, Captain Erben, commanding *U. S. S. Tuscarora*, told me that he had divided his men into six divisions and allowed one division, each day of the week, to visit the shore. He had only one man on the sick-list, and his men uniformly came off regularly and sober. I consider this a very high compliment to the character of our city and to the police force. There must be a good influence somewhere. Men-of-war's-men ashore are not always easily managed. By the kindness of friends of seamen, I am able to send off to these ships a great many packages of reading matter, to be distributed among the crews, and I am assured they are always gladly received. Among the papers, I manage to "smuggle" a good many "tracts." All ships leaving port, Mr. Dunscombe and myself aim to supply with some good reading matter. We have thus distributed at least 400 or 500 of each number of the *FRIEND*, besides sending copies to various parts of the Pacific.

Among my correspondents residing upon remote islands of the Pacific, I continue to exchange letters with the "Pitcairners," on both Pitcairn's and Norfolk Island. Accompanying this you will find a letter from John Buffett, Senior. He is an old English sailor, who retired from the sea, some forty years ago, and married on Pitcairn's Island. I met him in Honolulu, on a visit, in 1843, and have since corresponded with him and other islanders. God has in a most marvellous manner preserved a "pure faith" among that singular people, so peculiarly situated.

We are now in the midst of our annual "week of prayer," Bethel church uniting with Fort street. Meetings in the morning at the Bethel, and in the evening at the Fort street Session Room."

We have no recent advices from Hilo, but hope that some good man will soon be found to make up as far as possible the loss to that station, of our gifted and very popular sailor-preacher, Rev. FRANK THOMPSON, recently called to the pastorate of an important New England church.

ST. JOHNS, N. B.

Rev. JAMES SPENCER, laboring at St. Johns, N. B., reports that owing to the increase of the commerce of the port, he has had greater opportunity than ever to preach to seamen, and that, with considerable encouragement. Several hopeful conversions have occurred in connection with his ministry, and many have been supplied with Bibles and religious reading through his kindness.

LABRADOR COAST.

The latest intelligence from our self-denying brother, Rev. S. R. BUTLER, is to the effect that with his devoted helper, Miss Brodie, he has been treated by the people on the Labrador Coast with the utmost kindness, his station being at Bonne, Esperance Harbor, where he gathers them for Sabbath and week-day instruction. Miss Brodie was formerly engaged in mission work on that coast, so far back as 1860, and well understands the ways and needs of the little community immediately about her. Owing to the suspension of missionary work during the two previous winters, some of the former residents had moved away, but enough remain to make a pleasant settlement, and plenty of work. The present station, Bonne, Esperance, is three miles east of Caribou Island, and is the resort of nearly all the vessels sailing northward, but especially those from Nova Scotia. Mr. Butler's Sabbath con-

gregations are sometimes very encouraging, often reaching as many as two hundred. He has found many earnest christians among the sailors, who take part in his prayer-meetings with great fervor. A chapel and dwelling-house is much needed there, and really the continuance of the mission seems to depend upon the success of an effort for better accommodations.

With the expected revival of commerce, it will be our duty to follow, when the time comes for it, setting up new stations, and sending out men to occupy them who shall throw about our sailors every possible influence for good, and befriend them to the saving of their souls and their service for Christ.

HOME FIELD.

The brethren occupying stations in this country have been so regularly heard from through their monthly and quarterly reports which have appeared in the MAGAZINE, that it is only necessary to refer to their work as industriously and successfully prosecuted.

NORFOLK, VA.

“In presenting my TENTH ANNUAL REPORT, (says Rev. E. N. CRANE, our efficient Chaplain,) I find much in the retrospect to cause me to thank God for the past, and take courage for the future. There have been cheering evidences of advance during the year, and as I look back over the whole period of my chaplaincy, I can see that much has been accomplished. A Bethel has been provided, and stated services established and maintained. A full and flourishing Sabbath-school has been gathered, with the omission of scarcely a Sabbath. A regular weekly visitation of the shipping in port has been made, and religious reading distributed on every vessel, and all that needed it (especially where captains applied for it) have been furnished with the Bible, and sailors requesting it, with a copy of the Testament and Psalms. All known cases of shipwrecked and destitute seamen have been relieved, and sick seamen ministered to, as far as permission was allowed.”

This excellent brother, the whole of whose report is of interest, has been very successful in his Sabbath-school work. Indeed, in the various departments of his chaplaincy, with many things to discourage him, he has wrought in a manner worthy of all commendation.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

Rev. J. L. KEEN, the Chaplain in charge, has maintained his Bethel services during the past year with marked indications of usefulness, and finds his interest in the work of preaching the gospel to seamen steadily increasing. When the refitting of the HOME is completed, it will facilitate his intercourse with seamen, and bring him into more immediate and personal relation with them, for their spiritual good. During the year, Mr. Keen visited four hundred and fifteen vessels of five different nationalities, and distributed eighteen thousand eight hundred and one pages of religious reading matter.

CHARLESTON, S. C.

The CHARLESTON PORT SOCIETY has been much embarrassed, among other things, by the failure of certain dividends which were counted upon, but Chaplain YATES has been continued at his post, and is working for sailors there with his accustomed diligence and vigor. Occasionally he hears from some one converted under the truth as it fell from his lips, perhaps years before, and he works on, hoping to be found at his post when the summons comes. "Twenty-eight years ago (said a gentleman whom he accidentally met) I heard you preach. I was then second mate of the British ship *Constitution*, and to that sermon am I indebted for having changed my life." In his last communication, Chaplain Yates says, that during the past winter his Bethel was better attended than any year since the war. "I think this has been owing (he adds) to the exertions of a Swede, converted in this very Bethel twenty-five years ago. Our meetings have been crowded, and several hopeful conversions have occurred; two prodigal sons have been restored to their parents, and one husband and father to his family." The Home appears to have provided for an unusually large number of shipwrecked seamen, this last year.

SAVANNAH, GA.

The Chaplain, Rev. RICHARD WEBB, while rejoicing in his new Bethel, which was recently dedicated, says:

"In my work among seamen, for the year ending March 31st, I have made 817 visits to vessels of all sizes and different nationalities; also many to seamen in boarding-houses and private families; also 56 visits to the hospital; and have dis-

tributed among them the following amount of religious reading matter: 51,814 pages of tracts, 296 copies of the SAILORS' MAGAZINE, 1,127 of the SEAMEN'S FRIEND, 1,585 of the LIFE BOAT, 64 Bibles and Testaments, 730 religious papers, and have preached 159 sermons, and delivered 17 addresses; also obtained 55 signatures to the total abstinence pledge. We have had during the year an attendance of 4,980 persons at our Sunday services in the Bethel, nearly three times as many as we had the last year in the old Bethel on the Bay,"

The walls of the new Home have been raised a story above ground, but the work of finishing has been discontinued for want of funds: it is hoped however, only for a little time, as "the Home and the Bethel are auxiliary and essential, one to the other, in reforming and elevating the character and condition of the sailor." The local Society has formally recognized the kindness of our continued annual appropriation.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

The trade at this port has brought a large number of seamen under the influence of the Chaplain, Rev. W. A. CARTER, and he has availed himself of the opportunity thus afforded him to offer them the gospel. A young Norwegian is rendering much service, holding a prayer-meeting among his countrymen in port, and visiting the English and American vessels inaccessible to the Chaplain, and inviting them to services on shore. Mr. Carter recently held "an interesting meeting on board the *Arlington*, from Nova Scotia. In reporting it he says: "I saw on board, a library belonging to the A. S. F. Society, and we sang from one of your hymn books. All seemed very serious, and I trust good was done. The captain thanked me most kindly, and said he would come ashore to church that night. I learn from members of my church, who are pilots on the "bar," that they hear the captains frequently speak with pleasure of the profit they have derived. Let me tell one incident. On a vessel bound for England, heavily laden, so much so that the officers expected her to go down during the night, the first mate (who afterward became captain) told me that when he walked the deck that night, he thought of how soon he might be in the presence of God, and how unprepared. He made up his mind to give himself then and there to God: and no sooner had he bowed his knee, than light came upon his soul, and from that time, he has kept on his way rejoicing. He was a very earnest christian."

MOBILE, ALA.

So very few seamen visit this port that it has seemed hardly worth while to keep up a special service for them. The "Bethel" is now used as a city mission station, and visits to the U. S. Marine Hospital, in the Bay, are made by a christian gentleman, who also holds religious services occasionally, and supplies the inmates with such reading matter as they need.

Mr. CURRAN, who was formerly aided by us at this station, has, for the last half of the year, devoted himself to city missionary work, for which he is remarkably qualified.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Rev. L. H. PEASE, Chaplain, in his Tenth Annual Report, says :

"God has given us the ingathering of a larger sheaf, the past year, than in any of the previous nine years.

Our religious services commenced last fall, after the summer vacation, with an unusually large attendance, and with our Bethel regularly opened through the season three times on the Sabbath, and on most of the evenings of the week for meetings, and throughout every day of the week as a Reading Room. The interest has continued unabated to the present time, with the manifest presence of the Holy Spirit. And He has been pleased to use these feeble means to the hopeful conversion of a larger number of precious souls than on any previous year. Meetings have also been regularly held on shipboard, on the upper docks, on Sabbath through the season, with a good attendance and beneficial results.

As a Reading Room, we have been more numerously thronged than ever before, not infrequently counting fifty men, all silently engaged in reading, or writing to friends, or in some innocent games. Some fifteen hundred letters have been written there during the past year. Once a week we have held temperance meetings, and our "Roll of Honor" now numbers a little short of eight hundred signers of the pledge. Our Mission Sabbath-school has continued as aforetime.

Visitation of ships as usual, twice, and sometimes thrice a week on the lower docks, once a week on the upper docks, and daily at the boarding-houses, with distribution of tracts. The armed Government steamers anchored near the city have been visited occasionally. Till the first of January the Scandinavians worshipped with us. Since then they have occupied a separate place, but their departure has not diminished the numbers in attendance at our meetings or in the Reading Room.

We have recently held a public meeting in behalf of the cause, with encouraging results, to obtain funds for procuring a much-needed, larger, and more commodious place of operations, and have for several weeks been negotiating with the municipal authorities for a site for a building, and expect a favorable decision. For all these things we thank God and take courage."

Mr. PEASE has been assisted in his work during a part of the year by efficient helpers, and latterly by Mr. JOHN GIBBS, whose acquaintance with New Orleans, having formerly lived there, makes his return as a Christian worker most welcome.

GALVESTON, TEXAS.

Another year has passed without the erection of the long talked of Bethel at this important sea-port. The funds in hand for the purpose are not deemed enough to justify beginning the enterprise, and the earnest and self-denying Chaplain, Rev. H. B. BURR, is on this account not a little hindered in his work.

He has nevertheless been able to minister to a large number of seamen and especially by visiting on shipboard, with such preaching services as were permitted, he has made himself widely useful. During the year six hundred and ninety-three vessels, carrying twelve thousand five hundred and thirty-three men arrived at the port of Galveston. Of these eighty-two vessels carrying one thousand and fifty men, were foreign. There are also about three hundred vessels not included in the above statement engaged in the local trade, making a total of nine hundred and ninety-three vessels carrying thirteen thousand five hundred and eighty-three men. "These men (says the Chaplain,) are with very few exceptions, outside the influence of our churches. I have visited nine hundred and twenty of these vessels, distributing nineteen thousand pages of tracts and other reading matter, besides Bibles and Testaments. There have been eight conversions, and several have gone to sea impressed with the importance of personal religion.

At the request of our Board, Mr. BURR has made occasional visits to Indianola, the growing importance of which is shown in the fact that four hundred and thirty-two vessels (besides several small craft,) carrying three thousand three hundred and thirty-eight men arrived there during the last year. He has created considerable interest in favor of a regular seamen's mission at that port, to be established in due time.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

The untiring zeal of our Chaplain at this most important sea-port, Rev. J. ROWELL, has been measurably rewarded, in that he has at last succeeded in extinguishing the debt upon his Bethel. This debt has been a serious embarrassment to his work, for several years, and now that it has been paid off, he starts out with the hope of doing better service than ever, in behalf of the crowd of sailors who enter the Golden-Gate. Chap-

lain ROWELL has the aid of devoted Christian brethren ; and seamen of all nationalities to whom he has kindly ministered, remember him with gratitude. He has had the comfort of seeing many attending his Sabbath and week-day services, giving evidence also of religious impressions. He has a hard field as well as a wide field of labor, but as obstacles are gradually removed, his way will open for steadily increasing usefulness.

PORTLAND, ME.

In his annual report, Rev. F. SOUTHWORTH, the experienced Chaplain in charge of the Seamen's Bethel, speaks encouragingly. His meetings have been well attended and often very interesting. Some marked cases of hopeful conversion having occurred. Every Sabbath morning the vessels in port and the seamen's boarding-houses are visited by Christian men of energy and good sense with invitations to meeting, and supplies of reading matter. Weekly visits are also made to these vessels, by the Chaplain, and oftener as occasion requires. Over seventy vessels have been furnished with libraries. There is great need of some suitable place, where seamen can resort, and be saved from the usual associations of the grog-shop.

BOSTON, MASS.

Capt. ANDREW BARTLETT has been so long identified, as its missionary, with the Marine Hospital, (Chelsea,) that few men are more widely known among the sailors as their sympathizing friend. He speaks of his last year's work as very encouraging. In all, 850 officers and men from all parts of the world came under his care, making in the sixteen years of his connection with the Hospital, the grand total of 12,274. During this last year some 300 have stood up for prayers, most of whom have gone out determined to be better men ; 87 have signed the temperance pledge, and 58 have given evidence of hopeful conversion making in all 772 within the period of his chaplaincy. Some of these cases have been of very great interest. A young Englishman who, upon leaving college, studied for a physician, falling into bad company became dissipated and left home as a sailor. After a while, broken down in health, he brought up, about five months ago, in the Chelsea Hospital. Here Capt. Bartlett began to labor with him and was rewarded

in the young man's conversion and public profession of his faith in Christ. The father of this young man has for many years been one of George Muller's helpers in the Orphan Houses near Bristol, Eng. Another young man hopefully converted in the hospital is determined to get an education that he may preach Christ to others.

Among a party of frost-bitten sailors cast away on Cape Cod last February, that came to the Hospital, was a black man sixty years old. He had lost all his fingers and thumbs, but upon finding Christ as he did, he was very happy. Helped into an evening meeting, he stood up and from a full heart spoke of God's goodness to him, who in taking his fingers had saved his soul. After the old man's exhortation twelve rose for prayer.

Twenty-three have died in the Hospital during the year. These make five hundred and fourteen funerals that Capt. Bartlett has attended during his connection with the institution.

He gratefully speaks of the kindness of the Bible and Tract Societies in liberally furnishing him with their publications. Christian friends in Chelsea and Boston have greatly helped him in the meetings; Dr. Bancroft and all the employees have cheerfully aided him. Mrs. Judge Chamberlain, also with her library, has done most valuable service for Christ.

NEW YORK AND VICINITY.

The various organizations that are seeking the welfare of the sailors who throng our own seaport have all been kept busy, and have all been made glad in successful labor. The past year has, in a sense, been a year of revival among seamen. More or less religious interest has been manifest in the several mariner's churches of the city and vicinity, and many have been hopefully converted. The Chaplains and Missionaries laboring in our service, have had their share of encouragement, and report cheering evidences of good accomplished.

Rev. E. O. BATES has maintained a Sabbath and week-day service in the Brooklyn Bethel, besides exercising the pastoral oversight of a large population in the neighborhood of the Atlantic Docks, where he is greatly esteemed for his work's sake. His long connection with Christian labor for seamen has made him expert in selecting the means best calculated to secure the end sought for, and thus as a wise master-builder, he has done

much to develope the Christian character of many who otherwise would have been neglected and lost. Mr. Bates has had the care of putting up the libraries sent out by the Society, from books carefully selected for the purpose, and thousands at sea remember him for this kindness, and also for the words spoken to them on his shipboard visitations. He has had free access to the Navy Yard, and is there and elsewhere recognized as the Seamen's Friend.

In the *SAILORS' MAGAZINE*, for September, 1850, there appeared an interesting sketch of the conversion, fourteen years before, of a young Norwegian, under the faithful labors of the well-known Swedish Sailor-Missionary, FREDERICK O. NELSON. He was strolling, he knew not why, near the Mariners' Church, when he was asked to enter a prayer-meeting. Suffice it to say, the invitation was accepted, and, subsequently, in that meeting, the Norwegian stranger was hopefully converted. Very soon thereafter, he gave up his life to Christian work among seamen, especially laboring in the interests of his Scandinavian brethren, both at home and wherever he has found them in this country, until now, for nearly forty years, this OLA HELLAND has been serving as a Missionary for Christ,—most of the time supported by this Society—and many, through his indefatigable and persuasive endeavors to win them, have been hopefully saved. Mr. Helland has of late given his attention to Chaplain duty at the Seamen's Retreat, where he has been thrown very much into contact with Scandinavian sailors, but his health has given out, and he has been obliged to seek a milder climate. Wherever he goes he will seek to do good, and the blessing of those he has led to the Saviour, scattered as they are on every sea, will ever gratefully follow him. We desire to record this tribute to the Christian spirit and usefulness of an excellent brother whom we regret to lose from our corps of earnest workers.

During the past year he has prosecuted his special work with diligence, having held services both in English and in the Norwegian languages, visiting in the wards, and conversing and praying with the patients, as circumstances would permit. He distributed over two hundred and fifty Bibles and Testaments in different languages during the year, besides a large number of tracts and publications of the Society. Among

several interesting incidents he gives an account of a converted Swedish sailor, who died repeating the fifty-fourth verse of the hundred and nineteenth Psalm.

In closing his relations to the Society, he says: "I do this with a feeling of regret I cannot express. I was appointed by you, the first Norwegian Missionary in the city of New York, twenty years ago, and I believe God has given me some souls. Thirty-nine years ago, Mr. L. P. HUBBARD induced me to attend a Sabbath morning service in the Roosevelt Street Church, and that was my starting point for Christ. I have ever since esteemed him as my true friend." He also mentions the kindness of Capt. BRIGGS, who has ever been as a father to him, and likewise gratefully speaks of the Secretaries of the Society, acknowledging their interest and counsel.

Mr. C. A. BORELLA, whose residence at the Sailors' Home gives him peculiar facilities for usefulness, in reviewing the year, finds occasion for gratitude for the Divine blessing which has attended his manifold labors. "Knowing seamen as well as I do (he says) I am often surprised at the depth of feeling locked up in their rough exterior. When the dews of heaven fall upon them, their hearts beat in contrition and thankfulness in a way rarely seen among landmen." He cites several striking incidents of conversion during the past year. Among others was that of a Swede, who left his mother eight years before and had not written to her since. The change was so noticeable in him, as to induce a shipmate to ask for the cause, and upon hearing about it, to give his own heart to the Saviour.

A few weeks ago, a castaway crew came to the Sailors' Home taken off Pitcairn's Island. They were brought to this port by the ship *Dauntless*. In a conversation with the officers of the lost vessel, Mr. Borella ascertained that through the kindness of the Islanders, and the subsequent kindness of the Christian captain and mate of the *Dauntless*, several of their number were led to Christ. The first and third mate and two seamen made a public profession of their faith before going to sea.

A portion of Mr. Borella's time has been spent in visiting the hospitals, and rendering such service as he could, to sailors in want and distress. He has also distributed the charity of Christian friends to the relief of very many destitute widows and families of sailors.

Interesting letters have come to Mr. Borella from different and far-distant parts of the world testifying to the good, both temporal and spiritual, received at his hands. Among these were letters from David Young, of whom mention is made hereafter, and Capt. R—, of the British bark *Ellen Bruce*, both of whom will never forget the kindness acknowledged.

An extract from a letter written by a young man hopefully converted at the Home will show how grateful a sailor can be for the efforts which were blessed to his moral rescue.

SIERRA LEONE, AFRICA, Feb. 10th, 1875.

“How can I ever thank you enough for leading me by the hand when I first started out on my new life! It was through your efforts that I was brought to a knowledge of my condition, * * * Oh, how often have I thought of the little prayer meetings in your rooms! What glorious times we had there! I am anxiously waiting for the time to come when I can be with you again. Continue to pray for me, &c., &c.”

R. F. T.

Mr. A. WOLLESON has been employed to labor for the Scandinavians accessible to him in and about the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Exchange, and he has been very much gratified at the kindness shown him. He has held several weekly services for his countrymen, and has sought them in various boarding-houses and hospitals, and has been very much encouraged in his work.

Others have been aided from the funds of the Society, who have sought to do good to seamen; and under such temporary arrangement, much has been accomplished, the record of which is on high.

DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL.

Mr. J. WYNNE JONES faithfully employed himself in missionary work along this thoroughfare during the season of navigation, and found the field worthy of his culture. He gathered the operatives for Sabbath day service, as opportunity offered for it, and distributed a large amount of religious reading, with Bibles and Testaments, all which were gratefully received. He observed a decided improvement in the conduct of the men, and especially a marked change in regard for the Sabbath. Mr. M. L. COOK, who was appointed to succeed Mr. Jones, has gone to another work, and his duties are to be discharged by Mr. JOHN A. EWALT, a fellow student, said to be peculiarly fitted for the service. The young men of the Theological Seminary, Princeton, have rendered efficient aid.

ERIE AND OSWEGO CANALS.

The brethren who have been engaged in mission work among the sailors and boatmen passing to and fro between the lakes and our seaports, have had very much to encourage them. Rev. Mr. Cook, at Buffalo, has kept up a Bethel service, which has been well attended, and of manifest profit. He has faithfully visited the places where the sailors resort, and has distributed a large amount of religious reading matter, specially furnished him for the purpose. He has been aided in his mission work and Sabbath-school, by friends who have encouraged him by their presence, and much good has manifestly been accomplished during the year.

Rev. Mr. DICKEY, with his headquarters at Rochester, and Dea. STARKS, at Syracuse, have pursued their particular work, with usual fidelity, and have been rewarded by the expressed gratitude of many to whom they have ministered.

In reviewing his labors Mr. Dickey says, "I know of a large number who are not only reformed, but have become subjects of renewing grace. Some who were once working on the canal are now farmers, some are mechanics, some hold responsible positions in civil life, and some are office bearers in the churches. Others remain on the canal and help in our work. *I know twelve now preaching the Gospel, who were once behind the whistle-tree on the Erie Canal.*" Such results compensate for years of missionary toil.

Mr. Dickey mentions a case where a Captain informed him of the conversion of himself, wife, one son and a daughter, "all (he said) the result of your repeated visits to my boat."

Dea. Starks also speaks of a busy and successful year. He employed the winter season in visiting churches and Sabbath-schools, helping pastors in revival-work, and seeking to deepen the interest of the Christian public in behalf of our general cause. He observes a very great improvement in the character and condition of boatmen, and says, that "each spring many come back to their work, new creatures in Christ Jesus." His distribution of religious reading has been carried on as ever, supplying every boat that passes, and having a few personal words on the subject of religion with the thousands that come under his influence.

Rev. Dr. EMERSON kept up an interesting and profitable service for the boatmen and sailors in the port of Oswego, and found himself so much encouraged as to resume the work for another season. His kindness and efficiency have made him many friends among the class whose good he seeks, and he has reason to believe that some have been led to the Saviour through his personal endeavors. The Y. M. C. A. has assisted in his support, and its members have helped him in the Sabbath-school and Bethel meetings.

LIBRARY WORK.*

During the past year there were sent to sea:—

New libraries.....	460
Libraries refitted and reshipped.....	438
Total.....	898

These contained 20,456 volumes, and were available to 10,517 men. Of these, 18 were placed upon U. S. Naval vessels, and in U. S. Naval Hospitals, having in them 1,667 men.

This makes the whole number of new libraries sent out since 1858, 5,233, with reshipments of the same, to the number of 3,772; the total number of volumes since that date, 233,652; and the number of men to whom these books have been available, including reshipments, 212,726. The whole number of libraries placed on U. S. Naval vessels and in hospitals, up to May 1st, 1875, is 846, containing 30,456 volumes; and the total number of men in these vessels and hospitals to whom these books have been accessible, has been 96,102.

ITS DEVELOPMENT.

The growth of our work in this department of the Society's operations—as shown in the following figures—is among the

*THE SOCIETY'S LOAN LIBRARIES contain on an average, thirty-five volumes, always including the Holy Bible—unless it is found, upon inquiry, that the vessel upon which the library is placed, is already supplied with the word of God. Accompanying the Bible are other carefully chosen religious books, and a choice selection of miscellaneous volumes. When sent from the Society's Rooms, they are put upon sea-going vessels in neat cases, at an expense of twenty dollars each, in the name of the contributor. After they have been read on shipboard, they come back to our Rooms, for refitting and reshipment, or may be exchanged between different vessels at sea, or in foreign ports. We send fifty copies of the LIFE BOAT, monthly, for one year, postage paid, to every Sunday-school contributing a library, with all intelligence received of the whereabouts and work of each.

best evidences of its value. Beginning it in 1859, we shipped in that year, 10 new libraries; in 1860-1, 94; in 1861-2, 113; in 1862-3, 117; in 1863-4, 218; in 1864-5, 421; in 1865-6, 396; in 1866-7, 307; in 1867-8, 534; in 1868-9, 431; in 1869-70, 387; in 1870-1, 359; in 1871-2, 312; in 1872-3, 360; in 1873-4, 388, a total to May 1st, 1874, of 4,773; the reshipment of these libraries to the same date amounting to 3,334. Add to these, the shipment of new libraries for the year just closed, and the reshipments for the same period, and we have totals as already stated, as follows:

New libraries sent out since 1858.....	5,233,
Reshipments of same " "	3,772.

A YEAR OF BLESSING.

Our Library work has shared in the signal blessings, with which, in our general experience, the past twelve-month has been marked. Probably no previous year since its inauguration has witnessed more decided indications of the divine acceptance of this instrumentality for the good of those for whom it was intended, as but a single year has equaled this in the number and quality of the libraries sent out. The testimony demonstrating this, has come to us from every sea and with each succeeding month.

We present enough, certainly, to re-quicken an enlightened interest in this evangelical agency.

First mate, D. C. WARREN, of the brig *Remick*, writing to us of library No. 3,511, contributed by the S. S., of the Presbyterian Church in Bridgeport, Conn., says: "I distributed the books among the crew, and I think I never saw a more amiable crew in my life. I seldom ever heard them use a profane word, and if they did, they seemed to be ashamed of it. I think your Society is doing a good work on the deep. I can say that I have advanced in grace and the knowledge of our Savior since having the library, more than ever before."

Capt. W. W. ELDRIDGE, of the bark *Sea Fox*, writes of library No. 3,483: "I have had it thirty-seven and a half months, in this vessel. The books have been much read, and a number of the crew have left off tobacco, bad language and strong drink. The sailors think a great deal about the Temperance Tales."

So, FROM THE SHIP *Winged Hunter*, bearing library No. 4,474, contributed by William Libbey, Jr., New York city, we have the following, with the library returned: "The fact is, whoever reads one or more of these books, must be improved some, as they are all good and valuable.

LIBRARY No. 4,404 was presented by the S. S. of "Bible Christian" Church, Yorkville, Wis. We sent it by request of the Commanding Officer, to the Marine Barracks, Portsmouth, N. H., in 1872. Last summer he wrote to us: "The library

has been constantly used ever since it arrived here. It continues to be a great source of recreation and instruction to the command. Its effects are beneficial, and upon a large number of men; as when some of the marines are detached and sent to sea, others join the Post from men-of-war; and, finally, I desire, through you, to thank the generous donors."

"J. J.," WRITING ON SHIPBOARD, of the work wrought by library No. 4,614, says: "I have been blessed wonderfully these last few days. I am reading the "Pilgrim's Progress," and I find a great resemblance to a sinner who is disturbed in his conscience by the voice of God, or the thunders and lightnings of Sinai, and resolved to flee from the wrath to come. I am brought to see my condemned condition. I trust I am converted, and am not building on a false foundation."

THE S. S. OF THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH in Kent, Conn., provided library No. 1,898, in 1866. During the past year, Capt. L. B. Dority, of the schooner *C. Closson*, wrote: "It has been read with great interest by myself and crew. I have seen and felt its good influence almost every trip. One man was very profane when he came on board. I told him I allowed no swearing on board, and gave him one of your good books to read. He read it, and asked more. In less than six weeks I had him in my cabin on his knees, praying to God to have mercy on him a poor sinner. After the first week I did not hear an oath uttered on board, on a trip to the West Indies, and back. Your Society is doing a great work for seamen."

OF LIBRARY No. 3,295, sent out by the S. S. Missionary Association, 1st Pres. church, Morristown, N. J., W. R. Rogers wrote from on board the schooner *Ann and Susan*: "By these books I hope we have had the means of bringing some of us hard hearted sinners to repentance. As for myself, I can say that I have gained considerable insight in regard to my almost lost condition."

THE ABERDEEN LIBRARIES.

During this year we have completed the issue of the one hundred libraries provided by the Countess of Aberdeen, of which full particulars were given in our Annual Report for 1873-4. They were placed upon vessels voyaging to all parts of the globe, and ninety-five of them were available, by original shipment, to 1,660 seamen. Reports of their reading have already been received, from different and distant parts of the world.

The correspondence relating to the assignment of libraries, has been conducted by Rev. H. H. McFARLAND, who has also rendered other valuable service in assisting our general work.

SPECIMEN LIBRARY LISTS.

A list of three of our specimen loan libraries is submitted, in this connection, as conveying a fair impression of the volumes ordinarily to be found in one of our library cases. No two libraries sent out, are duplicates.

LIBRARY No. 1.—(39 VOLS.)

RELIGIOUS.

- Bible Study*.—Bible Dictionary, (Am. Tract Society,) 12mo., 534 pp., 5 maps; Blaikie's Bible History, 12 mo., 470 pp.
- For the Unconverted, Inquirers and Professors*.—Spurgeon's Sermons, (vol. 9th,) 12mo.; How to be Saved, 16mo., 127 pp.; Words to a Young Communicant, (Dr. Jas. W. Alexander,) 16mo., 104 pp.; Heart Life, (Cuyler,) 16mo.; The Still Hour, (Phelps,) 16mo., 104 pp.; Secret of the Lord, (Anna Shipton,) 16mo., 321 pp.; Evening Incense, (Macduff,) 16mo.
- Infidelity*.—Nelson's Cause and Cure of Infidelity, 12mo., 399 pp.
- Biography and Narrative*.—Life of Father Taylor, (Boston,) 12 mo., 375 pp.; Beata Paulus, or the Miracles of Faith, 16mo.
- Fiction*.—Lives Made Sublime, 12mo.; Schonberg Cotta Family, (Charles,) 16mo., 552 pp.; Bede's Charity, (Stretton,) 12mo., 312 pp.; Poor Little Joe, (Aunt Friendly,) 16mo.; Pilgrim Street, (Am. S. S. Union,) 16mo.
- Temperance*.—My Sister Margaret, 12mo.
- Music and Hymns*.—Songs of Zion; with music, (Am. Tr. Society,) 16mo., 384 pp.
- Almanac*.—Christian Almanac, (Am. Tract Society,) 1875.
- Foreign*.—Blue Flag, (German,) 16mo., 151 pp.; Pilgrim's Progress, (Danish,) 16mo., 448 pp.; Nelson on Infidelity, (Spanish,) 12mo., 336 pp.; The Borrowed Bible, (Portuguese,) 16mo., 95 pp.

SECULAR.

- United States*.—History of the United States, (Quackenbos,) 12mo.; Kilpatrick and His Cavalry, 12mo., 245 pp.
- History, Biography and Travels*.—Stories of French History, 18mo.; Life of Richard Williams, Missionary to Patagonia, (Hamilton,) 12mo.; The Young Shetlander, 12mo.; Notes Afoot in Europe, (Bayard Taylor,) 12mo.; The Polar Regions, (Harper's Family Library,) 16mo.; Ten Thousand Wonderful Things; illust'd, 12mo., 685 pp.; Story of a Workingman's Life, (Rev. Francis Mason's Autobiography,) 12mo.
- Sea and Sailors*.—Monsters of the Deep, illustrated, 12mo., 325 pp.; Light-Houses and Light-ships, illustrated, 16mo., 350 pp.
- Scientific and School Books*.—Mattison's Astronomy, 12mo.; Johnson's Dictionary, 24mo., 224 pp.; Mitchell's Atlas, 4to.

LIBRARY No. 2.—(39 VOLS.)

RELIGIOUS.

- Bible Study*.—Bible Dictionary, (Am. Tract Society,) 12mo., 534 pp., 5 maps; Kitto's Bible Illustrations, 2 vols., 12mo.; Kitto's Saul and David, 435 pp.; Kitto's Life of Our Lord, 423 pp.
- For the Unconverted, Inquirers and Professors*.—Papers for Home Reading, (Dr. John Hall,) 12mo., 344 pp.; Goulburn's Thoughts on Personal Religion, 12mo., 428 pp.; The Blood of Jesus, (Reid,) 16mo.; The New Life, (Parsons,) 16mo., 157 pp.; The Little Sanctuary, (Raleigh,) 12mo., 334 pp.; Morning and Night Watches, (Macduff,) 16mo.; The Simplicity of Faith, 16mo.; Agnes, or The Little Key, (Adams,) 12mo., 190 pp.

- Infidelity*.—Fables of Infidelity, (Dr. Patterson,) 12mo., 294 pp.
- Biography and Narrative*.—Triumph Over Death, or Life of Dr. Gordon, (Newman Hall,) 12mo., 218 pp.
- Fiction*.—Victory of the Vanquished, (Charles,) 8vo., 520 pp.; The Ministry of Life, (Charlesworth,) 12mo., 465 pp.; Alone in London, (Stretton,) 16mo.; The Spanish Barber, (Manning,) 12mo.; The Golden Mushroom, (Am. S. S. Union,) 16mo.; Little Ben, (Aunt Friendly,) 16mo.
- Temperance*.—The Little Captain, (Lynde Palmer,) 16mo.
- Music and Hymns*.—Songs of Zion, with music, (Am. Tract Society,) 16mo., 384 pp.
- Almanac*.—Christian Almanac, (Am. Tract Society,) 1875.
- Foreign*.—Nelson on Infidelity, (German,) 12mo., 360 pp.; James' Anxious Inquirer, (Swedish,) 16mo, 202 pp.; Paleario's Benefit of Christ's Death, (Italian,) 16mo., 202 pp.; Pilgrim's Progress, (Spanish,) 16mo., 240 pp.

SECULAR.

- United States*.—History of the United States, (Lossing,) 12mo., 424 pp.; The Forest Boy. (Life of Lincoln,) 12mo., 321 pp.; Miles Standish, (John S. C. Abbot,) 12mo., 372 pp.; Life with 49th Regiment Mass. Vols., (Johns,) 12mo., 340 pp.
- History, Biography and Travels*.—Stories of Mexican History, 16mo.; Days and Nights in the East, (Bonar,) 16mo., 346 pp.; Livingston's Travels. 12mo., 442 pp.; McClintock's Narrative; or the Fate of Sir J. Franklin discovered, 12mo., 372 pp.
- Sea and Sailors*.—The Bottom of the Sea, illustrated, 16mo., 402 pp.; The Broad, Broad Ocean, (W. Jones, F. S. A.), 12mo., 412 pp.
- Scientific and School Books*.—Wells' Natural Philosophy, 12mo.; Johnson's Dictionary, 24mo., 224 pp.; Warren's Intermediate Geography and Atlas, 4to.

LIBRARY No. 3.—(40 VOLS.)

RELIGIOUS.

- Bible Study*.—Bible Dictionary, (Am. Tract Society,) 12mo., 5 maps, 534 pp.; Footsteps of St. Paul, (Macduff,) 12mo., 416 pp.; House of Israel, (Miss Warner,) 16mo., 501 pp.
- For the Unconverted, Inquirers and Professors*.—Topics of the Day, (Dr. John Hall,) 12mo., 345 pp.; James' Anxious Inquirer, 16mo., 212 pp.; The Better Land, (Thompson,) 12mo., 245 pp.; Mind and Words of Jesus, (Macduff,) 16mo.; Spencer's Pastor's Sketches, 2 vols. in one, 845 pp.; Little Things, 16mo., 71 pp.; Peace for the Troubled, (Peck,) 16mo.
- Infidelity*.—Rawlinson's Historical Illustrations of Truth of Old Testament, 12mo.
- Biography and Narrative*.—Death Bed Scenes, 12mo., 450 pp.; Wee Davie, (McLeod) 16mo., 86 pp.; Ocean Stories, (Spaulding,) 16mo.
- Fiction*.—Kitty Trevelyan, (Charles,) 12mo., 462 pp.; Stepping Heavenward, (Pren-tiss,) 12mo., 426 pp.; Pierre and His Family, 16mo.; The Blue Flag, (Aunt Friendly,) 16mo.
- Temperance*.—Nelly's Dark Days, (Stretton,) 16mo.

Music and Hymns.—Songs of Zion: with music, (Am. Tract Society,) 16mo., 384 pp.

Almanac.—Christian Almanac, (Am. Tract Society,) 1875.

Foreign.—The Uhlan's Wife, (German,) 16mo., 272 pp.; Doddridge's Rise and Progress, (Danish,) 16mo., 501 pp.; Pilgrim's Progress, (French,) 16mo., 235 pp.; Evenings Among the Romanists, (Spanish,) (Seymour,) 12mo., 397 pp.

SECULAR.

United States.—History of the United States, (Lossing,) 12mo., 424 pp.; Story of the Great March through the South, (Nichols,) 12mo., 408 pp.; De Soto and Settlement of Louisiana, (John S. C. Abbot,) 12mo., 370 pp.

History, Biography and Travels.—Stories of English History, 16mo., 216 pp.; India, China and Japan, (Bayard Taylor,) 12mo., 538 pp.; Circumnavigation of the Globe, (Harper's Family Library,) 16mo.; Wonderful Mountain Adventures,—Great Hunts,—Wonderful Escapes, in one vol., illustrated, 12mo., 961 pp.

Sea and Sailors.—Storm Warriors, or Heroism of the Goodwin Sands, (Gilmore,) 12mo., 358 pp.; Sea and Sailors, (Goodrich,) 16mo., 391 pp.

Scientific and School Books.—The Planetary and Stellar Worlds, (Mitchell,) 12mo.; Johnson's Dictionary, 24mo., 224 pp.; Monteith's Geography and Atlas, 4to.

UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY.

The presentation of books to the graduating class at Annapolis, was made June, 1874, according to the terms of the special trust to this end, and the young midshipmen just starting out at that time on their professional career, in the service of the country, very properly acknowledged the interest shown in their welfare.

Our thanks are due to Chaplain MATTHEWS, of the Navy, for his personal kindness in the matter. Over one hundred volumes were distributed. The books were of a high order, and carefully selected, with reference to the intelligence and cultivated taste of the graduates. They cannot fail to be appreciated and serve a useful purpose.

PUBLICATIONS.

The various monthly issues of the Society have a growing circulation, and are manifestly accomplishing good. We have published during the past year, seventy-eight thousand copies of the SAILORS' MAGAZINE, and for gratuitous distribution among seamen, in all, twenty thousand copies of the SEAMEN'S

FRIEND, and four hundred and forty-three thousand copies of the LIFE BOAT, for the use of Sabbath Schools throughout the land. Allowing an average of but six to each of these, the AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY has in this way been presented to the attention of over three millions of readers. An edition (500 copies) of the Seamen's Hymns has also recently been published.

Information has been received of a bequest to the SOCIETY of several thousand dollars, to come in due time, which was constrained by the habitual reading of the MAGAZINE. Such facts encourage its publication, and advise its liberal circulation throughout the country.

SAILORS' HOME.

This Institution, 190 Cherry Street, managed as heretofore with every possible consideration for the comfort of seamen, has maintained its recognized place of usefulness.

Mr. and Mrs. ALEXANDER continue to show eminent fitness for the place they occupy, and have proved themselves to be the true friends of sea-faring men. They have been kind to them in manifold ways, and are remembered with almost filial affection by many who were never made so welcome anywhere else as at this SAILORS' HOME. Relief has been frequently furnished to destitute seamen.

Some important repairs have been made to the building, putting it in excellent condition, and the Chapel has been re-seated, to the greater convenience of those who gather there.

The HOME, during the past year, has accommodated 2,118 boarders. These temporarily deposited with the Superintendent, \$21,725, of which amount, \$9,662 were sent to relatives and friends, \$3,050 were placed to their credit in the Savings Bank, and the balance returned to the depositors.

The whole number of boarders since the HOME was established, in 1842, is 87,540.

Family worship, (with a weekly prayer-meeting, a Bible class, and other occasional services,) has been regularly maintained in the chapel of the Institution, and the resident Missionary is greatly encouraged in his efforts. He receives fre-

quent letters, like the one from which an extract is appended :

“I have often thought of those little prayer-meetings we used to hold in your room at the Sailors' Home, and I shall never forget them; and to God's blessing in answer to those prayers, I ascribe my continuance in the christian race.”

Many have found the Saviour in that temporary resting place.

The need of enlarged accommodation makes it a serious question whether the time has not come to break ground for a new SAILORS' HOME, and the Trustees are hoping for providential indication of duty in this important matter.

“IN PRISON AND YE VISITED ME.”

Reference is made to the case of DAVID YOUNG, simply to illustrate the variety of service which is accomplished for seamen in this seaport, by existing agencies.

One of our Missionaries was informed that a sailor was imprisoned in the Ludlow Street jail. Upon reporting the case, he was authorized to look after it and extend any called for relief. On personal inquiry it was ascertained that a young Scotchman, first mate of the British bark *Catharine Scott*, a noble specimen of a christian sailor, thoroughly trained in his calling, and a kind-hearted and considerate officer, arriving at this port had been arrested upon a trumped up charge, and unable to defend himself against his false accusers, was convicted and thrown into jail, until his fine should be paid. When discovered by the Missionary, who heard of him as holding daily religious services with his fellow prisoners, he had been locked up for several weeks, steadily refusing to take any steps in the matter of release that would compromise his integrity. As soon, however, as Judge McADAM came to know the facts in the case, he issued an order for Young's discharge, and, after a few days at the Sailors' Home, he was at sea again, on his way to his family, grateful for what has been done for him, here, in this land of strangers, among whom he found true Christian brethren.

Letters have been received from Mr. Young, who was entrusted with the command of the vessel that bore him home, announcing his arrival there, and renewing his thanks for the deliverance which, under God, was effected for him by our Missionary.

1776—1876.

When the Nation comes to celebrate its Centenary, the services which seamen rendered in assisting to achieve our National Independence should be honorably commemorated.

It is true that naval operations during our revolutionary struggle do not occupy a very conspicuous place in history, but these operations were by no means insignificant. At subsequent times the strong arm of the sailor has been nobly raised in defence of the Stars and Stripes, and upon the broad ocean, and on our inland seas, deeds of valor have won for him a heroic name, and entitle him to the gratitude of a free and enlightened people.

SEMI-CENTENARY.

THE AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY was organized in the year 1828. It has nearly finished FIFTY YEARS of service in the cause of seamen, and has made a noble record among the benevolent agencies of the church. It is eminently fitting that the Jubilee year of the Society be specially signalized, and, if possible, by some foundation or charity in the interest of seamen, that shall express a recognition of the Divine goodness in all the years of its effort in the cause for which it was organized. Good men have lived, and are dead, who were devoted to the work of ameliorating the condition of the common sailor, and evangelizing seamen, with reference to their salvation, and their usefulness in the great work of the world's conversion. Noble results have been accomplished during the period referred to which should have place in history and be written on some suitable monument, that for time to come will declare the object of the Society, and encourage those who shall come after us to take up the work, which the living must soon surrender to other hands.

It is suggested that the erection of a SAILORS' HOME on a scale commensurate to the wants of the chief seaport of the nation, and in every way adapted to the welfare and comfort of seamen, would be appropriate, and the hope is entertained that such a project will meet with public favor. Indeed, generous propositions have already been made, which greatly encourage it.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

The generous grants which have been made at different times during the past year, of Bibles and Testaments for distribution among seamen in this and foreign ports, demand for the American Bible Society, our special thanks. Through that kindness a copy of the Bible has been placed in each of our sea-going libraries, and untold good has been done in thus spreading the truth.

The American Tract Society, the Presbyterian Board of Publication, the Harper Bros., and Messrs. Robert Carter & Son, with other publishers, have shown us similar favors, now gratefully acknowledged.

Our thanks are also due on account of special donations for the widows and children of sailors, of money, shoes, clothing, &c., which have been personally distributed by our visiting missionaries; and from sundry friends, donations of bed-quilts, &c., for use at the Sailors' Home.

We desire to mention also, the continued kindness of Prof. BULL, of the New York University, in making the astronomical calculations, which have greatly added to the value of the MAGAZINE.

And as above all things else, would we acknowledge the goodness of GOD, in sparing the lives and prospering the work of those who in its several departments and in their various fields of labor, have personally sought to promote the objects of the Society.

AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

The local Societies, auxiliary to this, have raised for the Seamen's Cause during the year past, \$11,352.60. Some of these Societies have enlarged and improved their Homes and Bethels, and others are still engaged in that work.

In several instances formal action has been taken in grateful recognition of the aid rendered these societies when they have needed it, and the purpose is expressed to work with increased earnestness on that account in their several spheres for the welfare of seamen.

As to one of these societies, a Chaplain says: "It is but justice to state, that had it not been for your prompt entrance upon this field of labor three months after the close of the war, probably little or nothing would have been done in behalf of the temporal or spiritual welfare of seamen, for several years. * * * The amount expended by the AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY for the benefit of seamen in this port (Norfolk, Va.) providing a Bethel and sustaining the Chaplaincy, is over \$9,000, and our local society holds in grateful remembrance this liberal aid, and acknowledges itself the auxiliary of the National Society."

LIFE MEMBERS AND DIRECTORS.

Eighty-six persons, during the past year, by special donations to that end, of Thirty dollars each, have been constituted Life Members, and one by the donation of One Hundred dollars has been made a Life Director of the Society. These are entitled to all the publications of the Society upon an annual request for the same.

OBITUARY.

The following Vice-Presidents of the Society have deceased during the past year, viz: Rev. THOMAS DEWITT, D.D., Ex-Gov. WM. A. BUCKINGHAM, WM. H. ASPINWALL, Esq., CHARLES N. TALBOT, Esq., THOMAS W. WILLIAMS, Esq., JOHN C. GREEN, Esq.

Mr. Talbot was a Trustee from 1834 to 1862, and the Treasurer of the Society from 1835 to 1862, *twenty-seven years*, and an annual contributor to its funds to the last year of his life. A suitable minute was adopted by the Board of Trustees at their meeting, January 27th, in which occurs the following passage, "Of all the early friends of the Society, who gave time, money and counsel cheerfully and freely for the social and moral improvement of seamen, of all who co-operated cordially and wisely in the doings of this Board, no one more deserves a tribute of grateful acknowledgement, than our late excellent and faithful friend and brother, Mr. Charles N. Talbot."

Others, valued for their devotion to the seamen's cause have been called away leaving an unfinished work for those who remain, and who are soon to follow them with an account of their stewardship.

FINANCIAL.

FINANCES.—The total receipts of the Society from all sources for the year ending May 1st, 1875, were \$66,770.05. Total expenditures were \$65,058.12.

CONCLUSION.

The past year will long be remembered for its many and fearful disasters at sea, attended by a very great loss of both property and life. Four hundred and fifty-nine vessels, belonging to or trading with ports in the United States were reported as totally lost or missing during the twelve months ending with last December, their estimated value being over eleven millions of dollars. But who can estimate the worth of the souls that by these same shipwrecks were launched into eternity!

It has been a great privilege to labor at saving our seamen from being LOST FOREVER; and the rescue of many who were ready to perish, is the occasion on our part, of devout gratitude to GOD.

We now commend our work to Him who alone can give it success, trusting that at the last accounting it shall appear that it was divinely accepted in the salvation of some, who in their time became the rescuers of others, and thus helped forward the Universal Kingdom of PEACE AND LOVE.

ANNUAL SERMON.

(REQUESTED FOR PUBLICATION.)

A PLEA FOR THE SAILOR.

A DISCOURSE, PREACHED BEFORE

THE AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY,

IN THE FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, NEW YORK,

SABBATH EVENING, MAY 30TH, 1875.

BY REV. JOHN HALL, D. D.

“PAUL SAID TO THE CENTURION AND TO THE SOLDIERS, EXCEPT THESE ABIDE IN THE SHIP, YE CANNOT BE SAVED.”—ACTS. xxvii: 31.

The adaptation of Scripture to all sorts and conditions of men is remarkable. It is not only the great social divisions of mankind that are contemplated, as rich and poor, exalted and humble. It is not kings and beggars only that find something to interest them. Merchants, lawyers, judges, and chief counsellors, are figures on its pages. A “beloved physician” writes two important books. Paul is a tent maker, and Jesus is called “the Carpenter’s Son.” Good women fill a conspicuous place in the volume, and even little children receive the Master’s blessing, and infant voices shout his praises. The soldiers are often before us in every connection; the warrior David, and the good Centurion. They that go down to the sea in ships are not forgotten, and the sailors have their place both in the old Testament and the New. The truth is, the Bible is for the world, and while it has many human writers so widely separated that concert among them was impossible, it has one author, the Holy Ghost, who has given it points of attractive interest to readers of every variety and condition of our race.

Nor can it be said that it flatters any class. The Holy Ghost pays no compliments. Men and objects are described as they are. We have true prophets and false in it; brave soldiers and cruel butchers of human beings; just judges, and judges unjust; good and lovely women, like Martha and Mary, and intensified and concentrated wickedness in Jezebel and Herodias. We have the frank, candid, kind-hearted, in their way devout sailors who worked that ship on the voyage to

Tarshish, who toiled so hard to avoid the necessity of throwing a fellow-creature overboard. And we have the base and cowardly "ship-men;" as if, by a true instinct, the English version would not call them "sailors," who, in the moment of peril, under pretence of casting an anchor from the foreship, were lowering the boat that they might desert the ship, when Paul—the one man whose courage never failed in that perilous voyage—defeated their treacherous purpose by calling in the Centurion and his troops, and appealing to their instinct of self-preservation, "Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved."

There is an interesting circumstance connected with the voyage of which this is an incident, not known to many of you, and the mention of which, I feel sure, will deepen your interest in this chapter. A highly educated Englishman of position and means expended time and labor in the examination and illustration of this voyage. He has devoted a volume to his task. He lived a winter in Malta; examined all the localities; availed himself of the aid of skilful seamen who had navigated the Levant; laid under contribution all that is known of ancient ship-building and sailing; and, in fact, put the veracity of the narrative to the severest tests. Much that is obscure becomes luminous in his treatment. His proof is conclusive that the writer could not himself have been a sailor—he does not employ sailor's dialect; and yet that he could only have described the events as he has, from being an eye-witness. The work—"*The Voyage and Shipwreck of the Apostle Paul*," by James Smith, of Jordanhill—itself illustrates the minute cross-examination which, in every part of it, the Bible has received and sustained. We wrong ourselves if we fail to dig in this inexhaustible field for its treasures, where no searcher toils in vain. Let us become wise by searching the Scriptures.

There is a circumstance also—of a literary character—connected with this immediate text, to many of you naturally unknown, and yet worth notice. When Dr. Chalmers wished to preach a sermon on a topic on which all men have to think, on which all churches have opinions, and which has sadly suffered from irreverent and injudicious handling, namely, Predestination, he selected this verse in connection with the 22nd verse. In that verse Paul is reported as giving absolute assurance of safety to all on board, and loss only of the ship. He announces a purpose, a decree of God, absolutely and with assurance. But when the sailors, despairing of safety, would provide for themselves and leave their fellows to their fate, he, the same man who had confidently predicted safety for all, interposes with this veto, and quickens the Centurion and his men to preventive measures; and they, with a certain grim, prompt, decisive humor, cut the ropes and let the boat go, so that sol-

diers, sailors, and passengers, must share a common lot. The preacher then proceeds to show with his wonted exuberance of amplifying detail that there is no contradiction between the two statements, that God's decree is carried out by means, and includes the means; that when he settled the security of the two hundred and sixteen lives, he settled also that the sailors should be at their posts; that their duties should be done; that at the critical time they should "lighten the ship," (v. 38;) "take up the anchor," (v. 40;) run before the current, "loose the rudder bands," hoist up the mainsail to the wind, and so run her "aground" (v. 41); that they who could swim should swim, and the rest, as they best could, "escape safe to land," (v. 44). And even so, argues the great preacher, no certainty of assurance as to the result, no decree of God, even if we certainly knew it, is to diminish one jot of that zeal, industry, and diligence, in the use of means which the Lord contemplates in the decree, and will not permit us to disregard. His people do come to eternal life—"they shall never perish," (John, x: 28), but it is not by apathy, and neglect of the fitting, appointed means, but through repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus. And what was true in the perils of the sea, my brethren, is just as true in that more momentous voyage on which you embarked the day you were born, of which the end is to be safety in the haven of eternal rest, or a shipwreck of the soul, terrible beyond description or conception.

But turning away from the doctrines illustrated, and directly to the topic of sailors and their relations to us, upon which, at the request of THE AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY, I address you, let me mention—it is unnecessary to dwell on them—certain claims that sailors have on our interest and practical sympathy.

MUCH OF THE COMFORT WE ENJOY THEY BRING US.

God made of one blood all nations, and the earth is their common heritage. Its products belong to them all. But the sea divides tribes and nations, a barrier seemingly impassable, till man is enabled to subdue this part of the world and then it becomes a great highway. What is the making of a canal, but man's petty shift to imitate Him who lets man win back some dominion over the creatures, and like Himself, have "his way in the sea, and his path in the deep waters?" But the innumerable products of other climes, and of the industries of other lands reach us by the intervention of the sailor. Look at the food on your tables, the luxuries in your chambers, the very garments that protect you, and be reminded how much we owe to the men who, from love of it, or from necessity, sail the seas, and do the errands of a world-embracing commerce.

When we have, for business or pleasure, to cross the sea,

HOW MUCH OUR SAFETY DEPENDS ON THE SAILORS.

Incapacity, defective conscientiousness, and consequent carelessness, endanger us, while vigilance, capacity, and discipline, give reasonable hope of safety. Hence, men who can afford to please themselves, select the ships which are distinguished from others, not so much by the strength of iron or timber, or the costliness or durability of material, as by that skill and reliable, steady, orderly duty-doing which reduce risk to a minimum; and when calamitous wrecks have taken place what a small proportion of them is produced by the wild waves wantonly buffetting strong and seaworthy ships to pieces; and what a large proportion from man's cupidity running lawless risks, or man blindly dashing his works against those fixtures in the frame of things which have their uses. Many of you have trusted yourselves on the ocean, not without a certain tremulousness, which even faith in God does not quiet. Many Sabbaths of every season some members of this congregation are on the ocean, and never, when it is known to me, without their being remembered in our common prayer. How often you have felt that under God, comfort and life depended on the courage, skill, fidelity, and endurance of the sailor!

In periods of national trial,

THE STRENGTH AND SAFETY OF A NATION WILL SOMETIMES TURN UPON
HER SAILORS.

The ancestral boast of England like that of the Grecian patriot, is, that her walls and bulwarks are her sailors.

“Britannia needs no bulwarks,
No towers along the steep:
Her march is o'er the mountain wave
Her home is on the deep;
With thunders from her native oak
She quells the floods below,
As they roar on the shore
Where the stormy tempests blow.”

But turning from the hyperbole of her nautical poetry to sober facts, it is generally conceded that her commercial marine has provided her with her best military marine, when required. The sons of Norse-men and Vikings who lived a hard and vigorous life in constant battle with the capricious eddies of northern seas, took kindly to the conflicts in which Blake and Nelson led them, or the no less honorable perils in the interests of peace and science, of Cooke, and Anson, Franklin and McClure.

Turning from these brighter features of the sailors' lot, there is an element of thrilling interest in

THE PERILS THEY ENDURE.

What a thing it is to swing in the wind, on the slippery footing of a rope, while yard and mast are bending over the black and merciless wave beneath! What a toil it must be to unravel the tangle of ropes frozen and coated with ice! How it impresses the imagination to think of men feeling their way in the black night over the sea, when the words of command can be only heard in snatches among the multitudinous "voices and thunderings" of the waves when deep calleth unto deep! And these men

AWAY FROM HOME—MANY OF THEM HOMELESS.

I remember a snatch of a lyric,

" Oh, who would love, oh! who would wed
A wandering fisherman's wife to be?
To nurse a fisherman's child, and dread
Each gale that blows when he's at sea?"

These sailors have strong feelings, strong all the more in those whom a dash of romance and a vivid imagination in the first instance inclined to the sea. Other laborers quit the store, the street, the shop, at close of day, and go home, to the solace, and quiet, and rest, that home brings. But the sailors work, watch in, watch out, weeks, months, sometimes years, without this change and comfort—their ship a compound of workshop, barracks and prison to them.

But the perils of the deep are less to be dreaded for many a sailor, than

THE PERILS ON LAND,

where the hard-earned money of the sailor attracts the selfish and the vile of both sexes, and exposes him to their seductive and destructive methods. His exile from land, his enforced regularity of life, his necessary submission to authority, his very hard-earning of his money seem to him to justify social indulgence on shore. If his mind has not been trained, if his conscience has not been educated, if his spirit is not, through the grace of the Holy Ghost, master of his animal nature, what can happen but that he fall into the toils spread for him, and not only transfer to the basest of all hands the fruits of his labor, but lose his self-respect, and everything a man should hold dear.

It is to meet these conditions and seek the good, moral and spiritual, as well as the temporal welfare of our sailors, that the HOME is maintained in this city, which last year sheltered 2,118 sailors, took care of over \$20,000 of their money, and afforded them the advantages of a church. Here too the unfortunate, without money or friends have often found both, and best of all, in the home-worship and teaching, many have found peace in Jesus Christ.

In many foreign ports, the Society maintains Chaplains and other agents to do this same work as opportunity affords, forty-eight of them having been employed during the year at points from Labrador to New Orleans, in Europe, from Norway to the Italian ports, and in newer regions at such places as San Francisco, Yokohama, and Chefoo, in China.

Some years ago, an English Presbyterian Clergyman was for months a worshipper with this church. His engagements here were singular and confidential. A young Scottish Earl had betaken him to the sea, under another than his own name, and the clergyman who had known him as a boy was in search of him. He was able to trace him, I am glad to say, by deeds of kindness and sailor-like devotion, but only to trace him to his grave. The mother of that young nobleman wished to do something for the sailor, in memory of her son, who, apart from this freak, seems to have been like others of his family, God-fearing and upright, and the agencies of the Society offered the needed medium. To the three hundred and sixty new libraries sent out during the year, and the four hundred and thirty-eight refitted and reshipped, the Countess of Aberdeen added one hundred more, now in use. Over five thousand such libraries, containing 233,652 volumes, and within the reach of over two hundred thousand sailors, have been put in use since 1858. The testimonies to the comfort, the moral value and the spiritual fruitfulness of these volumes is varied, full and most encouraging, and the sixty thousand dollars per annum spent in the maintenance of this far-reaching agency of the chaplain, missionary, colporteur and library, is among the wisest outlays of our Christian people. The area whence this sum is collected is wider than New York, extending, I notice, all along this eastern sea-board, and inland from Maine to Maryland.

Now you ask me what you can do in this department of Christian work, and I hasten to answer as concisely as possible,

HAVE SYMPATHY WITH THE SAILOR.

Where I was brought up, to be a soldier or a sailor was thought to be only a little raised above savagism, and necessary viciousness. The same feeling still exists in many places. But there is less cause for it than there was once. A higher class of men go to sea than formerly and legislation and humanity have done more for sailors than formerly. Many of the sailors are genial, intelligent, and with a certain *fineness* of sensibility attendant on that very imagination which drew many of them at first to an adventurous life. They have warm feelings, are deeply sensible of kindness, are generous to excess, and they possess, like the rest of us, immortal souls, with this advantage in their favor that when they are Godly they carry their Godliness from place to place, and so multiply their power.

NEVER MISS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO THE SAILOR GOOD.

When you find him within reach, do not fail to speak a Christian word. You will find in most cases as prompt a response as from a similarly situated landsmen. In many instances religious feeling is stronger in the sailor than in laborers on shore. I remember once, when crossing the Atlantic, obtaining, in concert with some friends, the captain's permission, to hold a service forward for the sailors and steerage passengers. Of the latter there were not many, but every unoccupied man on board attended. The service was intended to be brief; but I never saw deeper or more obvious spiritual impression. We tried to close the meeting again and again. More than once the blessing was pronounced, but the eager group would remain for more prayer and more explanation of the truth. It was one of many opportunities I have had of knowing that if sailors are only told "in their own tongue in which they were born," the wonderful things of God's grace and mercy, they are as attentive and earnest hearers as can be found anywhere.

PRAY FOR SEAMEN, AND THEIR FRIENDS.

We owe a debt to them, which it will take a long time to pay. The Christian men who are seeking their good have many difficulties, and their success would be no small help to city missions and other evangelistic agencies, for the vicious sailor spreads evil, and supports vice, and finally:

AID SUCH AGENCIES AS THIS SOCIETY WITH YOUR MEANS.

It has been wisely planned. It is carefully managed. Good men take as much interest in it as they do in their own business. It employs the truth. It seeks for its agents Christ-loving, reliable, and suitable men. It meets the sailor where he needs aid, and will receive sympathy and instruction. It accompanies him with its books through the loneliness of long and dull voyages. It greets him on the shore, and it points him to the lamb of God. A sailor brought to Christ is saved to temperance, to good order. He is rendered truthful, faithful, reliable. He is saved to family, wife, children, and society. He is saved to God, and put in the way of growing in meetness, even through the very perils of his life, for the eternal rest. For such high objects this Society labors. You will heartily join with me in invoking upon its managers, agents, and friends, and upon our brethren the toilers of the sea, whose good it seeks, the blessing of Him who made the sea and the dry land, of Him who for us lived among fishermen, and preached from a ship, who slept on a pillow in a storm-tossed boat as a man, and who walked on the waters as the SON OF GOD.

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Merwin, Rev. N. T., Trumbull, Conn.
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Montague, W. H., North Brookfield, Mass.
Morton, Alexander, Thomaston, Conn.
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Palmer, Rev. Wm. S., Norwich, Conn.
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Peck, Dea. Charles, New Britain, Conn.
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Winter, Rev. Alpheus, North Greenwich, Ct.
Wurts, M. A., Norwich, Conn.

RECEIPTS

OF THE

American Seamen's Friend Society,

From May 1st, 1874, to May 1st, 1875.

MAINE.			
Augusta, South Cong. ch.,	\$26 00	Fitzwilliam, S. S. Concert,	\$ 9 25
N. J. for library,	20 00	Cong. ch., of wh. Jno. Whittemore to	22 50
Bangor, Hammond St. ch. of wh. S. S.		const. Harry J. Pratt L. M., \$10,	1 00
\$33,	79 42	A Friend,	1 00
Bath, a friend for libraries,	60 00	Francestown, William Butterfield,	1 00
Winter St. Cong. church,	37 65	Gilsum, Cong. church,	7 00
Bethel, 2nd Cong. church,	3 00	Goffstown Cong. ch. to const. Rev. S.	
Biddeford, Cong. church,	26 23	Gerard, L. M.,	30 00
Bucksport, Samuel P. Hall,	5 00	Mrs. D. J. Allen for lib'y,	20 00
Farmington, Cong. church,	25 65	Gorham Cong. church,	8 10
Freeport, do. do.,	15 50	Hampton, E. B. Downing's S. S. class	
Goshen, do. do.,	28 00	for library,	10 00
Kennebunk, do. do.,	54 50	Hanover, Mrs. Julia Leeds for lib'y,	20 00
Estate Lucy Sewall, per E. E. Brown,		Home School,	1 50
Adm'r,	500 00	Cong. church,	9 00
Kennebunkport, Cong. church,	6 65	Hanover Centre, Rev. D. McClemond,	1 00
Lincoln, Rev. I. H. Crosby, \$20 for lib'y,	40 00	Henniker, Cong. church,	30 00
Rev. Mr. Pierson,	2 00	Hollis, Miss Polly Rockwood,	10 00
Mrs. J. E. Moody,	2 00	Cong. ch. S. S. \$20 for library,	32 20
Friend,	3 00	Hopkinton, Cong. church,	20 00
Cong. ch. S. S. for lib'y,	20 00	Laconia, do. do.,	28 46
North Gloucester, Dea. Chandler,	15 00	Lyme, do. do., \$20 for lib'y,	32 57
Friend,	5 00	Naahua, a Friend,	1 00
Portland, Capt. Sanders, Br. ship. <i>E.</i>		Nelson, Cong. church,	4 00
<i>Parker,</i>	7 00	New Ipswich, Children's Fair,	1 00
Rye, Union Meeting,	19 30	New Market, Cong. church,	18 10
Searsport, Cong. church,	34 50	M. E. church,	2 00
M. E. church,	11 50	North Hampton, Cong. ch. S. S. for lib'y,	20 00
South Berwick, John H. Plummer,	1 00	A Friend,	9 00
South Freeport, Cong. church,	33 01	Pelham, Cong. church,	29 05
Standish, do. do.,	6 89	Piermont, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Marsden,	
Wells, 2nd do. do.,	12 00	Eddie, Willie and Mary each \$1,	5 00
1st do. do.,	11 29	Bindge, Cong. church,	10 10
B. Maxwell,	10 00	Rye, do. do.,	15 00
Estate Mary Gates, by R. Hemming-		Bap. church,	1 75
way, Ex.,	100 00	Seabrook and Hampton Falls,	13 40
Woolwich, Cong. church,	7 00	Stratham, Cong. church,	4 00
Yarmouth, do. do.,	21 70	West Lebanon, Cong. ch. \$20 for lib'y,	34 30
York, do. do.,	10 00	Wilton, additional,	2 72
		Winchester, Cong. church,	3 37
		Windham, Eliza Hill,	5 00
	\$1,259 79		\$1,685 70

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Brookline, Cong. ch. to const. Gov. S.	
Hull, L. M.,	30 00
Candia, Cong. church,	9 65
Concord, Seamen's Friend Soc'y, lib'y,	15 00
Mrs. C. L. Gerould,	1 00
Derry, late Abby O. McGregor,	1,000 00
Dover, Estate of Sarah Green, per	
Charles B. Shackford, Ex.,	68 30
Dunbarton, Cong. church,	7 35
Epping, do. do.,	39 72
Exeter, 2nd do. do. S. S. lib'y,	20 30
Mrs. S. A. Rowland,	1 00
A Friend,	1 00

VERMONT.

Barre, Cong. church S. S.,	\$10 00
Benson, do. do.,	17 25
Berlin, do. do.,	4 00
Dorset, S. S. Cong. ch., bal. lib. \$10,	16 00
Manchester, Cong. ch., of which S. G.	
Cone's S. S. class \$5,	30 00
Norrisville, Mrs. M. E. Blanchard,	2 00
Pittsford, Cong. church,	10 00
St. Albans, 1st Cong. church,	38 00
Thetford, Cong. church,	5 00
Waterbury, Miss Mary Glysson,	12 00
Westminster, S. S. Cong. ch. lib'y,	20 00
	\$104 25

MASSACHUSETTS.

Acton, Cong. church,	\$13 00	Cohasset, 2nd Cong. church,	\$13 89
Agawam, Cong. church,	11 00	Conway, S. S. Cong. church, lib'y,	20 00
Amesbury and Salisbury, Union ch.,	8 45	Cohuit Port, Capt. H. Nickerson,	10 00
M. E. church,	13 87	Two Ladies for Destitute Seamen,	50 00
Amherst, 1st Cong. church,	24 93	A Friend,	20 00
2nd Cong. church,	8 60	Dalton, Cong. church,	19 09
College Cong. church,	14 25	Dunstable, Benajah Parkhurst,	10 00
Prof. W. L. Montague, lib'y,	20 00	Estate Francis Fletcher, by Maria S.	
Andover, South Cong. ch. for lib's \$65,	141 22	Fletcher Ad'x.,	50 00
Abbott Female Academy for lib'y,	18 00	Cong. ch., S. Austen. 50 cts.,	12 55
Mrs. J. Smith for library,	20 00	East Bridgewater, L. Hatch,	3 00
Free Church,	30 00	East Charlemont, Rev. W. Newell,	1 00
West Parish Seamen's Friend Society		East Douglas, Cong. church,	37 50
to const. Mrs. Eldesta C. Chandler,		East Falmouth, library,	20 00
and Miss Susanna W. Smith, L. M's,	60 00	East Medway, Cong. church,	21 50
Ashburnham, Cong. church,	15 00	East Taunton, S. S. Cong. ch., lib'y,	20 00
M. E. church,	2 85	East Weymouth, Lowell's cor. ch.,	2 00
Ashby, Cong. church,	8 25	Enfield, Cong. church,	50 00
Ashland, William Seaver,	1 00	Essex, Mr. and Mrs. D. Anderson,	5 00
Athol, Cong. church,	27 05	D. D. Anderson,	5 00
Attleboro, Cong. ch., of wh. C. H. Bushee		Falmouth, Ladies Sea. Friend Soc'y for	
and E. J. Horton \$40 for lib's,	76 09	library	21 00
Ballardvale, Union Society,	5 00	Cong. church,	15 00
Barre, Cong. church,	42 40	Fall River, Central church,	125 22
M. E. church S. S.,	0 75	Fitchburg, Estate of Mrs. L. B. Holden	
Bechertown, Cong. ch. S. S. lib'y	20 00	to const. Aaron Butler L. M.,	30 00
Boston Highlands, Cong. church S. S.,	15 00	Lydia Hawes, library,	20 00
Schr. Harry L. Whiston, Capt. Reid,	2 00	Mrs. M. Johnson,	5 00
Boston, ship <i>Victoria</i> , officers & crew,		Rollstone church,	31 50
Capt. H. Atwood, \$5; R. Bailey, 1st		Calvinistic Evangelical ch. to const.	
mate, \$5; Wm. Nelson, 2nd, \$5; N.		Geo. W. Baker, and W. A. Fair-	
Varino, 3d do., \$5; B. Harris, car-		banks L. M's,	107 00
penyer, \$4.50; Seamen, C. Ralston, \$2;		Florence, Florence church,	100 00
H. Nelson, \$1; T. Karney, \$1; A.		Foxboro, Cong. church,	51 88
F. Olsen, \$1; T. Reilly, \$1; I. Sitsky,		Abby T. Dean,	0 50
\$1; G. R. Hugetyan, \$1; I. Wal-		Susan Payson,	10 00
lace, \$1; P. Johnson, \$1; B. Henry,		Franklin, Cong. church,	15 90
\$1; A. Matthews, \$1; W. Foley, 50		Gardner, 1st Cong. ch.,	51 00
cts.; J. Bessy, 50 cts., and others,	48 50	Georgetown, Orthodox Mem'l ch. to	
Ship <i>Kate Troop</i> , Capt. Crocker,	5 00	const. Dea. Haskel Perley L. M.,	30 20
Ship <i>Hoogley</i> , Capt. Frost,	4 00	Gilbertville, Cong. ch. of wh. S. S. for	
Capt. Plummer	3 00	lib'y \$20,	35 00
Bark <i>Merrimac</i> , Capt. J. N. Nichols,	22 00	Gill, Cong. church,	11 10
\$2, and to replace lost lib'y, \$20,		Globe Village, Union ch. for lib'y,	20 00
Bark <i>Com. Dupont</i> , Capt. Nichols,	2 00	Gloucester, Cong. ch. of wh. to const.	
Bark <i>Addis Mc Adam</i> , Capt. Curtis,	2 50	Mrs. C. M. Higgins, Mrs. M. A.	
Schr. J. W. Durey, Capt. Baker,	2 00	Abbott and Miss E. iza Dodge L. M's,	92 15
Schr. <i>Lugan</i> , Capt. Dow,	2 00	Granby, Mrs. John Church's S. S. class	
Union church,	30 98	library,	20 00
Old South church,	177 50	Great Barrington, Cong. ch. of wh. S.	
Highland church,	153 80	S. \$40 for libraries,	65 01
Edward Sharp's S. S. class,	3 00	J. Bradford,	10 00
Boxboro, Cong. church,	5 00	Greenfield, 1st Cong. church,	7 15
Boxford, do. do.,	11 50	2nd Cong. church,	23 87
Bridgewater, Cong. church,	23 50	Groton, Cong. ch. of wh. Mrs. Adam's	
Capt. Barstow,	10 00	class for lib'y \$20,	64 19
Brighton, Estate Sally Worcester,	25 00	Groveland, Cong. church,	7 00
Brocton, Horace Ames,	5 00	Hadley, Ladies Sea. Friend Soc'y 1st	
Cambridge, Shepherd ch. \$40 for lib's,	80 00	Parish, to const. Mrs. L. M. White	
Harvard College, C. S. Barrow, lib'y,	20 00	and Miss A. S. Dunakin L. M's, ea.	
First church,	60 00	\$30,	60 00
Charlemont, 1st Cong. ch. S. S. lib'y,	20 00	Hardwick, Cong. church,	10 00
Charlestown, Winthrop church,	85 87	Harvard, Cong. church,	25 25
Charlton, Rev. W. C. Fiske,	2 00	A Friend,	1 00
Chelsea, Winthimisset church,	59 44	Hatfield, Cong. church,	53 41
A Friend for lib'y,	20 00	Haverhill, Mrs. J. M. Nichols, lib'y,	20 00
Central church,	29 10	Centre church S. S. for lib'y,	14 00
1st Cong. church,	46 79	North Parish,	
Schr. M. Downer, Capt. Thompson,	1 20	Hinsdale, 1st Cong. church of wh. S. S.	
Rev. S. W. Wells (Western India),	5 00	for library \$20,	80 05
Chestnut St. S. S. library,	20 00	Holbrook, Winthrop ch. S. S. for lib'y,	20 00
Miss Brooks library,	20 00	Holliston, 1st church and Society,	43 85
Chicopee, 1st Cong. church,	8 56	Estate Eliza Healy,	100 00
2nd Cong. church,	33 49	Holyoke, 2d Cong. church,	18 72
3d Cong. church,	25 25	Hopkinton, Orthodox Cong. ch.,	55 27
Clinton, Cong. church,	25 62	Ipswich, 1st Cong. church,	19 15
Mrs. Winter's S. S. class, lib'y,	20 00	E. K. and L. K. Gray for lib'y	20 00
S. A. Patterson,	6 00	Jamaica Plains, Cong. ch., of wh. Mrs.	
Mrs. Indiana Whitney, to constitute		Jnc. Duff \$20 for lib'y,	25 80
Joseph F. Savage L. M.,	30 00	Kingston, Cong. church,	12 50
		Lancaster, do. do.,	17 37
		Lanesville, do. do.,	4 00

CONNECTICUT.

Ansonia, 1st Cong. church,	\$56 78	2nd Cong. church,	\$77 30
M. E. church, library,	20 00	Clog on the church, lib'y,	20 00
Berlin, Cong. ch. to const. Rev. Jesse		Israel Peck,	5 00
Brush L. M. \$30,	39 00	Edward Lyon,	10 00
Bethel, Cong. church,	15 00	Miss Amanda Mead,	10 00
Birmingham, Cong. church,	47 02	Groton, Cong. ch. S. S., in part for lib'y,	\$12 34,
E. Hallock,	5 00	Groton Bank Bap. ch. S. S. for lib'y,	12 84
M. E. ch. to const. Rev. Jas. Pullman		Guilford, 1st Cong. ch., friend for lib'y	20 00
L. M.,	30 00	\$20,	41 00
"E. H.,"	2 00	Mrs. M. G. Chittenden, to const. Jno.	
Black Rock, Cong. church, library,	20 00	C. Parsons and Miss Sarah Brown	100 00
Bloomfield, T. G. Jerome \$30 to const.		L. M.'s,	2 00
W. Raymond of North Adams, L. M.	30 00	Eli Parmelee,	2 00
Branford, Cong. church,	40 00	Haddam, Cong. ch. and S. S.,	15 00
E. Davis,	0 50	Hanover, Cong. church,	8 29
Bridgeport, 2nd Cong. ch. to const. Rev.		Hartford, Center church,	171 10
E. Johnson, and Dea. E. W. Marsh		South Cong. church,	50 00
L. M.'s,	65 00	Pearl St. Cong. church, lib' s \$60,	210 00
L. B. Sterling, lib'y,	20 00	Park Cong. church,	79 57
Washington Park ch. (M. E.) S. S.,		Asylum Hill Cong. ch. to const H. B.	
library,	20 00	K. Steele, Atwood Collins, & Miss	
Park church,	20 00	Susie T. Clarke L. M.'s,	145 75
Bristol, Cong. church to const. Francis		James Root, libraries,	120 00
Lewis and Josiah T. Peck L. M.'s,	61 21	Laura G. Dunham,	10 00
S. S. for libraries,	40 00	Miss M. C. Bemis, library,	20 00
Mrs. Congelman,	10 00	Woodburn, \$20 for lib'y per Dr. G. E.	
Broad Brook, Cong. church,	12 50	Abbott,	20 00
Canton Centre, Cong. ch. to const. Rev.		Harwinton, Cong. church to const. Rev.	
D. B. Hubbard L. M.,	30 00	Geo. Curtiss L. M.,	30 05
Central Village, Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y,	20 00	Hebron, 1st Cong. church, for library,	20 00
Cheshire, Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y \$20,	39 40	Higgauum, Cong. ch., bal. to const.	
Chester, Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y \$20, and		Clara S. Hine L. M., \$1,	30 00
to const. R. L. Hungerford L. M.,		Kensington, Family contributions per	
\$30,	50 00	Miss A. Robbins,	10 00
Clinton, Mrs. M. Griffing,	1 00	Kent, Cong. church,	20 00
Cong. ch. of which \$30 to const. Rev.		Lakeville, Mrs. W. A. Holley,	20 00
Jason H. Bliss L. M., Dea. Wm.		Lebanon, South Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y,	20 00
Hull \$5 and S. S. for lib'y \$17.50,	54 04	Goshen Cong. Society,	10 00
M. E. church,	5 00	1st Cong. ch. of wh. to const. Geo. W.	
Colchester, 1st Cong. ch. S. S. \$11,	43 15	Standish L. M., \$30,	35 00
Collinsville, Cong. ch. to const. Rev. L.		William Huntington,	1 00
S. Griggs L. M.,	31 79	Lisbon, Cong. church,	3 50
Danbury, M. E. church,	13 28	Litchfield, Cong. church,	73 53
1st Cong. church,	48 50	Lyme, Cong. ch., individuals,	8 15
Bap. church S. S.,	5 00	Madison, Cong. church,	14 65
Darien Cong. ch. S. S. Mem'l Library		Ladies' Sea. Friend Society,	18 00
deceased scholars in '74, Henry		Milford, Plymouth Cong. ch., wh. with	
Morehouse, Ida F. Paul, Annie E.		prev. donation to const. E. W. Bur-	
Irish, \$20,	45 00	leigh, A. S. Clark and W. B. Bristol	
Derby, Cong. church,	24 55	L. M.'s,	55 00
East Haddam, Cong. church,	30 00	Dea. A. S. Bristol,	1 00
Hadlyme church,	7 55	1st Cong. church, in part,	10 00
Windsor, 1st Cong. ch. bal. to const.		Middletown, Cong. church,	55 00
Geo. T. Phelps L. M.,	20 00	Naugatuck, Cong. church,	20 00
East Winfield, Cong. church,	4 90	New Britain, S. S. Center Cong. ch., for	
East Woodstock, Cong. church,	1 50	New Orleans \$30,	116 82
Ellington, Cong. ch. S. S.,	14 26	S. S. South Cong. church, for New	
Enfield, North Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y,	20 00	Orleans,	30 00
Essex, 1st Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y,	20 00	South Cong. ch., of wh. \$30 to const.	
Fairfield, Cong. ch. of wh. O. B. Jen-		Dea. C. Peck L. M.,	52 00
nings to const. Walter Jennings L.		New Haven, Howard Ave. church,	13 85
M. \$30, and H. T. Curtis, S. More-		Center Cong. church,	119 37
house and the Misses Gould and S.		Church of the Redeemer,	72 20
S. each \$20 for lib's,	176 03	3d Cong. church,	33 87
Mrs. Wm. H. Brown,	5 00	North Cong. church,	97 25
Fair Haven, 1st Cong. ch. S. S. Miss		A Friend, C. E. C.,	5 00
Williams' class, bal. for lib'y,	10 00	L. Osborne,	10 00
Farmington, Cong. ch. S. S., \$20 lib'y,	41 24	Anonymous,	1 00
Franklin, Cong. church, for lib'y,	20 15	E. S. Fellows,	20 00
Glastenbury, Cong. ch. of wh. to const.		F. W. J. \$1, Rev. Dr. Patton \$10,	11 00
L. H. Bogue and J. H. Olcott L. M.'s,		Mrs. F. P. Gilbert, lib'y \$20, friend	
each \$30,	84 65	\$4,	24 00
Green Farms, Cong. church,	12 00	Harriet E. Peck,	2 00
Greenville, Cong. ch. to const. Wm. H.		An impecunious friend,	0 25
Gray L. M., \$40, S. S., lib'y \$20,	60 00	New London, R. Coit,	50 00
Greenwich, Oliver Mead,	10 00	1st Cong. church,	69 65
Sarah Mead,	15 00	2nd Cong. church,	136 92
T. A. Mead,	5 00	Guy Richards Library,	20 00
A Friend to const. Edgar T. Mead		New Milford, Ladies' Mite Society,	10 00
L. M.,	30 00	North Canaan, Cong. church,	14 21
		North Coventry, Rev. W. Jennings,	5 00

North Greenwich, Cong. ch., bal. to const. Rev. A. Winter L. M., \$21 36,	\$35 11
North Haven, Mrs. E. A. Blakeslee, Cong. church,	5 00
North Stonington, Mrs. J. Pomeroy,	2 00
North Woodstock, Cong. church,	10 50
Norwalk, 1st Cong. ch., of wh. Rev. S. B. S. Bissell \$30, to const. M. A. Wurts L. M.,	74 07
Wm. E. Marvin, for the W. E. Marvin Memorial Libraries,	40 00
Norwich, 1st Cong. ch. to const. W. S. Palmer and A. W. Sherman L. M.'s, \$60,	117 57
Broadway Tabernacle ch. to const. Thos. Cosgrove, & H. E. Griswold L. M.'s,	107 24
W. B. St. John,	1 00
Old Lyme, Mrs. C. E. Griswold. Cong. church,	10 00
38 51	
Old Saybrook, Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y.	20 00
Orange, Cong. church,	18 00
Plainfield, Cong. church,	9 40
Plymouth, Cong. church,	13 50
Putnam, 2nd Cong. church,	23 00
Ridgefield, 1st Cong. church,	25 00
Rockville, 1st Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y \$20, 2nd Cong. church, Mrs. Dickinson's S. class, lib'y \$20,	33 73
54 15	
Salisbury, Cong. ch., of wh. to const. M. L. Graham L. M. \$30 and S. S. \$20 for lib'y,	68 30
Somerville, Cong. church,	12 43
South Britain, Dr. N. C. Baldwin, C. Leroy Mitchell,	20 00
20 00	
Southbury, C. G. Bostwick,	1 00
Southington, 1st Cong. church,	25 00
South Mansfield, Cong. church,	12 10
Southport, Cong. church,	224 40
South Windsor, Cong. church,	20 00
Stamford, Pres. ch., of wh. \$30 to const. Rev. E. Van Slyke L. M., Jno. D. Hamilton \$40 for lib'y,	142 56
Mrs. R. Fellows,	20 00
1st Cong. ch., Young Ladies, S. S. \$20,	44 00
Stonington, 2nd Cong. church,	72 18
Stratford, Cong. ch. to const. Mrs. Geo. Spall L. M.,	30 00
Suffield, Cong. ch., of wh. \$30 to const. Dea. James W. Spelman L. M.,	30 57
1st Cong. ch. S. S., lib'y,	20 00
Thomaston, Cong. ch., with prev. dona. to const. Alex. Morton L. M. \$25,	97 22
Trumbull, Cong. ch., bal. to const. Rev. N. T. Merwin L. M., \$21 50 and S. S. for lib'y \$20,	41 50
Vernon, A. S. Chesebrough,	5 00
Wallingford, Cong. church,	25 50
Warren, Cong. church,	7 25
Washington, Cong. church,	7 00
Waterbury, 1st Cong. church,	65 12
2nd Cong. church,	85 91
Watertown, Cong. ch., of wh. Jno. DeForest, and Eli Curtis, ea. \$20 for libraries,	67 20
Westbrook, Mrs. R. Stannard to const. her son Chas. R. Stannard L. M. O. E. Chapman,	30 00
3 00	
Joseph F. Stannard,	1 00
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West Hartford, S. S. Cong. ch., bal. to const. Miss Ida Robbins, and Jos. E. Brace L. M.'s, \$43, and S. S. for lib's, \$40,	83 00
West Haven, Cong. ch. S. S. for lib'y,	20 00
Westport, Saugatuck Cong. church,	16 30
West Suffield, Cong. church,	4 00
Westville, Cong. church,	26 44
West Winsted, 2nd Cong. church,	93 67
Wethersfield, Cong. church,	37 89
Whitneyville, Cong. ch., with previous dona. to const. J. W. Webb L. M.,	23 14

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Windsor, Cong. ch., of wh. Rev. G. C. Williams \$7, S. S. for lib'y \$20,	56 00
83 17	
Windsor Locks, Cong. church,	
Winsted, 1st Cong. church, library,	28 16
Wolcott, Cong. church,	7 00
Wolcottville, 1st Cong. church,	26 49
Woodbury, 1st Cong. church,	56 00
North Cong. church, of which A. W. Mitchell, \$5,	31 00
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Amityville, M. E. church,	3 85
Astoria, M. E. church, lib'y,	20 00
Aurora, Pres. church,	10 00
Bainbridge, Pres. church,	11 55
Baldwin, M. E. church,	7 23
Bayport, M. E. church, lib'y,	20 00
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Booneville, Pres. church,	4 47
Bap. church,	2 49
Mr. Mead,	5 40
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Bridgehampton, Pres. church,	
Bridgewater, Cong. church,	
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Clinton Ave. Cong. church,	300 62
Central Cong. church,	115 46
Puritan Cong. church,	31 87
1st Ref. church,	189 77
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Lafayette Ave. Pres. ch., of wh. A. H. Porter, \$45, (\$20 for library); N. Stephens, \$40 for lib's and W. W. Wickes, P. W. Gallaudet, W. W. Goodrich, B. Otis, each for lib'y \$20, S. S. Missionary Ass'n, lib'y \$20 and Lulu Miniszek, lib'y \$20,	583 03
Classon Ave. Pres. church,	61 72
1st Pres. ch. Henry St,	171 10
2nd Pres. ch. Clinton St., of wh. \$20 for lib'y, J. D. Fish, \$20 and S. S. \$20,	
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W. W. Edwards for library,	20 00	East Clarence, Bap. church,	12 65
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Henry Wilson,	1 00	Ref. church,	9 22
Buffalo, B. C. Rumsey, P. P. Pratt,		East Palmyra, Pres. church,	7 81
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S. G. Austen, each \$100,	600 00	East Wilson, M. E. church,	6 79
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Spaulding, Mrs. R. P. Townsend,		Individuals,	1 15
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T. Evans, Rev. G. W. Heacock, Mrs.		Elbridge, Pres. church,	3 50
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Geo. R. Haine, S. M. Clement, E.		Farmers' Village, Rev. A. Mann, D. D.,	5 00
P. Beals, H. H. Hale, J. M. Rich-		Fayetteville, Bap. church,	11 00
mond, each \$25,	225 00	Pres. church,	21 45
Miss E. H. Yates,	20 00	Fleming, a friend,	2 00
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F. B. Curtis, M. Tift, ea. \$10,	20 00	library,	6 80
Miss Plimpton, Mrs. Davock, Mrs.		Ref. church for library,	20 00
Reynolds, Rev. Chas. Wood, W. H.		Fonda, Ref. ch. S. S., library \$20,	31 00
Bennett, each \$5,	25 00	M. E. church,	5 00
Cash,	5 33	Foster Medows, M. E. church,	6 25
A Friend,	0 50	Fultonville, Ref. ch., in part for lib'y,	15 00
Caledonia, "W. P.,"	11 62	Gaines, Cong. ch. S. S. for library,	20 00
Pres. church,	15 00	Gates, Pres. church,	4 00
Camden, Pres. church,	5 85	Gravesend Ref. church,	18 50
M. E. church,	11 30	Genesee, Mrs. B. Ayrault,	1 00
Canajoharie, Ref. ch. S. S. for library,	15 00	Rev. C. S. Durfee,	1 00
Canandaigua, Cong. ch. S. S. for Bates'		Genesee Association,	11 50
library,	21 52	Geneva, Rev. Dr. Cannon,	1 00
Carthage, Rev. F. Widmer,	1 00	Greece, Bap. church,	14 14
Castile, M. E. church,	3 40	Greensburg, Pres. church,	17 50
Pres. church,	11 55	Greenport, Pres. ch. S. S., \$20 for lib'y,	35 24
Miss C. A. Green,	5 00	M. E. church,	14 46
Catakill, 1st Pres. church, of wh. Miss		Groton, Bap. church,	6 55
Hope Day \$20 for library,	103 08	Rev. Geo. Pelton to const. Jno. E.	
Ref. church,	22 00	Bradley, New Haven, Conn., L. M.,	30 00
Mrs. J. M. Donnelly,	1 00	Hamilton, Bap. ch. S. S., \$20 for lib'y,	41 50
Cazenovia, 1st Pres. ch. S. S. for lib'y,	20 00	Pres. church,	13 00
A Friend for library,	20 00	Hampton, Union Meeting,	9 63
Rev. Dr. Torrey,	1 00	Hannibal, Bap. church, in part,	10 00
Cayuga, Pres. church,	5 08	M. E. church,	8 04
M. E. church,	4 85	Harlem, 124th St. Cong. church,	12 17
Champain, 1st Pres. ch., of wh. S. S.		Harvestaw, S. S. Pres. ch. for lib'y,	25 00
\$12 87,	28 87	Herkimer, Ref. church,	7 12
Chemung, H. W. Owen,	2 00	Holland Patent, Pres. church,	7 50
Chenango Forks, J. Strickland,	1 10	Bap. church,	20 00
Chili, Pres. church,	8 85	Welsh church,	3 35
Bap. church,	3 85	Holley, Bap. church,	5 10
Churchville, Bap. church,	2 38	Pres. church,	7 48
M. E. church,	3 00	M. E. church,	1 49
Cong. church,	17 02	Homer, Cong. church, of wh. S. S. \$20,	
Clarence, Pres. church,	7 98	Rev. W. A. Robinson's Bible class,	
M. E. church,	4 45	\$20 Miss C. Green's class, \$20 for	
German Ref. church,	3 93	libraries,	125 24
Clarendon, M. E. church,	1 95	Mrs. M. L. Schermerhorn, library,	20 00
Clifton Springs, Dr. H. Foster, library,	20 00	Hornellsville, Pres. church, for lib'y,	20 00
Sanitarian Collections, viz :		Bap. church, for lib'y,	20 00
Mrs. Rhoades,	10 00	Hudson, Mrs. R. J. Wells,	15 00
Miss Gray,	10 00	J. T. Simpson for the Helen L. Simp-	
Miss Dunbar,	5 00	son Library,	20 00
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Rev. Mr. Bodwell,	5 00	2nd Pres. ch. S. S., for lib'y,	20 03
Miss Condit,	2 00	M. E. church,	7 50
Miss Beck,	1 00	Huron, Pres. church,	7 93
Miss Scovil,	1 00	Ilion, M. E. ch. S. S., \$20 for library,	64 98
Miss Johnston,	1 00	Islip, M. E. church,	9 75
Mrs. O. Sullivan, for library,	20 00	Ithaca, Estate Mrs. S. Bates for lib'y,	40 00
Clinton, Pres. church,	46 50	Mrs. G. D. Beers,	10 00
M. E. church,	12 70	Johnstown, Pres. ch. S. S., \$20 for lib'y,	25 70
H. Brownell,	20 00	M. E. church,	10 50
Columbus, M. E. church,	3 79	Lutheran church,	11 29
Coxsackie 2nd Ref. ch., of wh. P. H.		Jordan, Pres. church,	3 38
Silvester, \$15, wh. with prev. dona-		Kingsboro, Pres. church,	14 80
const. Mrs. Sarah E. Silvester, L.		Kinderhook, Ref. church,	42 89

Kingston, 1st Ref. ch., of wh. Jas. O. \$ Merritt, \$20 for library,	100 00	Thomas Porteus, per D. Murray and \$ Chas. Henderson,	250 00
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Lakeville, Pres. church, of wh. Mrs. D. Bosby \$10, bal. to const. Miss Flora Bosby L. M.,	18 50	On account Gates Legacy,	300 00
Christian church, individuals,	0 88	E. Withington,	25 00
Lebanon, Cong. church,	9 74	Anniversary Collection,	148 85
Bap. church,	3 62	Miniature Bethel ch. Mrs. E. Taylor, Broadway Tabernacle, of wh. S. S. Miss. Asso. for libraries, \$50,	6 50
Leroy, Bap. church,	5 29	Collegiate Ref. church,	260 00
Pres. ch., of wh. \$20 for Emma Wilcox Mem'l Lib'y, \$20 from Mrs. J. Adams for the Capt. C. Adams Mem'l Lib'y and \$5 from Emma L. Parsons for the lib'y fund,	50 00	Booth Bethlehem Mission, for lib'y.	20 00
Lewiston, Pres. ch., of wh. \$20 from Mrs. M. McGlashan for Leonard McGlashan Mem'l Lib'y,	32 00	Washington Square Ref. church,	254 09
Lima, Pres. ch. for library,	20 00	27th Street M. E. church, for lib'y,	42 00
Bap. church S. S.,	10 00	2nd Street M. E. church, for lib'y,	53 00
M. E. church,	3 51	Central Pres. ch. for Memorial lib'y.	20 00
Livonia, Cong. ch. S. S.,	10 31	De Witt Mission Band S. S. Ref. ch.	20 00
Lockport, Bap. ch. S. S., \$20 for lib'y,	30 90	29th Street and Fifth Ave. for lib'y.	20 00
M. E. church,	8 29	Lebanon Chapel S. S. for library,	20 00
Hon. T. T. Flagler,	5 00	University Place Pres. church, of wh. S. S. for libraries,	120 00
Lyndonville, Pres. church,	5 45	Capt. and crew ship <i>Dauntless</i> , per P. M. Plummer, 2d mate, \$42; Capt. N. A. Batchelder and crew ship <i>Witch of the Wave</i> , (gold \$25) \$27 60; Capt. Belkirk, ship <i>Sarah Nicholson</i> , \$5; Capt. Hilton, ship <i>William</i> , \$3; Capt. A. D. Monroe, bark <i>Eliza Eveline</i> , \$2; Capt. F. Brown, ship <i>John Mann</i> , \$5; Capt. S. Blanchard, brig <i>Sportsman</i> , \$10; Capt. Wilbur, ship <i>Dauntless</i> , \$2; Capt. Hawkins, bark <i>C. E. Jayne</i> , \$3; Capt. W. A. Sawyer, bark <i>Silas Fitch</i> , \$5; Capt. John Foye, bark <i>Romance</i> , \$10; Capt. Segemen, bark <i>Serene</i> , \$5 32; Capt. F. Fitchet, bark <i>Wm. Crosscup</i> , \$5; Capt. R. W. Ferguson, bark <i>Traveler</i> , \$5; Capt. E. H. Tobey, bark <i>Yamoyden</i> , \$2; Capt. B. A. Abbott, bark <i>F. Dennis</i> , \$2; Capt. Jno. O. Spicer, bark <i>Nile</i> , \$5; Capt. W. Dollar, bark <i>Northern Queen</i> , \$3; Capt. A. C. Eaton, bark <i>Monitor</i> , \$3; Capt. D. C. Nichols, bark <i>Com. Dupont</i> , \$2; Mate F. Fredericksen, bark <i>J. E. Woodworth</i> , \$2; Capt. J. A. Smith, brig <i>Cossack</i> , \$2; Capt. James and crew brig <i>Jno. Kendall</i> , \$11; Capt. E. Devan, brig <i>A. C. Titcomb</i> , \$1 50; Capt. J. C. Nichols, schr. <i>W. L. Burroughs</i> , \$2; Capt. M. N. Dinmore, schr. <i>J. M. Knowles</i> , \$2; Capt. F. C. Mather, schr. <i>Isabel</i> , \$1; Capt. Ross, schr. <i>Geo. Washington</i> , \$5; Capt. Levanslaer, ship <i>Gen'l Berry</i> , \$2; Capt. Oliver, wife, officers and crew, ship <i>Garnet</i> , \$18; Capt. Nichols, ship <i>Uncle Joe</i> , \$1; Capt. Fooker, ship <i>W. J. Hatfield</i> , \$2; Capt. J. F. Scott, ship <i>Antonette</i> , \$3; Capt. W. J. Wiley, schr. <i>Mary A. Powers</i> , \$5; Capt. E. Coggins, bark <i>Carlton</i> , \$5,	
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Pres. church,	51 00	James Lenox, Mrs. Burr Wakeman, Henry A. Hurlburt, each \$150,	450 00
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Marcellus, Pres. church,	15 00		
Marion, Cong. church,	5 00		
Ref. church,	4 25		
Bap. church,	3 17		
Rev. Mr. Ely,	0 50		
McGrawville, Pres. church,	5 00		
M. E. church,	5 51		
Mr. Stone,	2 21		
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Bap. church,	13 43		
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Meridian, Pres. church,	8 68		
T. R. Townsend,	2 00		
Middletown, Cong. church,	8 99		
Middle Village, M. E. church,	4 00		
Mohawk, M. E. church,	7 85		
Ref. church,	6 00		
Morrisville, Bap. church,	4 31		
M. E. church,	2 38		
A Friend,	1 00		
A. B. DeForest,	5 00		
Mount Morris, 1st Pres. church,	14 00		
Mumford, W. P. church,	7 25		
Nassau, Rev. C. S. Sherman	1 00		
Newark, Pres. church,	47 25		
Bap. church,	5 15		
Christian church,	2 26		
A Friend,	50		
New Berlin, Bap. church,	10 36		
Pres. church,	2 54		
Individuals,	6 70		
Newburgh, 1st Pres. ch., of wh. S. S. \$20 for library,	100 00		
Calvary Pres. church, for library,	20 00		
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New York City, estate Francis C. Robbins, per Geo. A. Robbins,	2,500 00		

Jonas M. Libbey, William Libbey, Jr., Frederick A. Libbey, William Libbey, Jr., Jonas M. Libbey, each \$30 for libraries,	300 00	De Forest, Edward F. Brown, Sanford Cobb, J. B. Spelman, R. Poillon, F. Alexander, for Mrs. Swanson, B. W. Morrison, F. Hathaway, B. F. Watson, F. S. Tallmadge, William H. Webb, Brooks Bros., David Dows, Joseph W. Alsop, Mrs. R. Burkhalter, Geo. D. Phelps, Dr. James L. Banks, D. J. Steward, John W. Hamersley, Cash, "P."	
C. A. Davison, John Taylor Johnston, Solon Humphreys, Mrs. S. Bartholomew, Anson Phelps Stokes, Charlotte Talbot, Mrs. Hannah Ireland, Fairbanks & Co., Annie A. Morse, Mary Bronson, for Genoa, Charles H. Rogers, John Dwight, J. C. H., Samuel Willets, H. T. M., Robert Carter & Bros., Stewart Brown, Benedict, Tait & Benedict, each \$50,	900 00	Dr. Jared Linsley, William F. Lee, Alex. Van Rensselaer, L. P. Stone, Parker Handy, Cassidy & Co., F. Wilde's Sons, T. A. Brower, Gramercy Park Hotel, H. W. Loud & Co., Naylor & Co., Bigelow Carpet Co., Thomas Scott, N. Fisher, Alfred C. Post, M. D., Mrs. A. Arnold, G. A. Sabine, M. D., H. & B., Hoyt Bros., Babcock, Bros. & Co., (ash, Cash, 38 Burling Slip, D. S. Eggleston, S. L. M. Barlow, MacMarin, each \$10,	780 00
Mrs. William Libbey, for widow's fund, American Clock Co., ea. \$45,	90 00	"D."	6 00
Jonas M. Libbey, Frederick A. Libbey, for libraries, Three granddaughters of a Seaman for two libraries, each \$40,	120 00	H. C. Van Vorst, Davis & Benson, Cash, Isaac H. Allen, Chas Trumbull White, Mrs. Rufus S. King, A. E. Walsh, L. B. Woodruff, John Aitken, C. R. Robert, J. W. Dominick, Mrs. G. Burritt, N. L. Lovell, Mrs. C. O. Halsted, John H. Ormsbee, William C. Martin, N. P. Hosack, J. E. Bulkle, R. S. Brinckerhoff, E. Trott, W. W. Niles, C. F. Griffin, James Cruikshank, Zophar Mills, Cash, W. T. Miller, Wed. W. Clarke, William Hutchins, Mrs. Halsted, H. Griffin, H. F. Lombard, C. H. Read, S. V. Hoffman, I. J., Cephas Brainard, J. Catlin, Jr., James Baker, Mrs. McLaanhan, A. H. Linsly, S. W. Green, Dr. A. S. Ball, Mary A. Strong, Cash, Miller & Grant, John Saxton, J. N. Phelps, Charles Butler, C. D. Harvie, Cash "M."	
Miss C. L. Wolfe, Valentine G. Hall, Mrs. E. Slade, to const. herself, L. M., S. B. Schiefelin, each \$30,	120 00	Samuel T. Richards, Wilmot Williams, Decius Beebe, Cash, J. M. M., H. P. Marshall, R. C. Root, Anthony & Co., E. N. Tailler, A. F. Pearse, C. G. Landon, J. P. Crosby, W. M. Bullard, M. D., John O. Stone, M. D., J. B. Hoyt, William Bliss, each \$5,	320 00
Edmund Penfold, Cash, J. A. C. Gray, Joseph Howland, R. & A., William Hall Penfold, Thomas Cochran, J. Van Wageningen, Charles S. Smith, B. G. Arnold, & Co., Ezra White, William P. Douglas, William H. Parsons & Bro., John K. Myers, Cash, Robert Gordon, William E. Dodge, Jr., A. Norrie, B. K. Phelps, E. D. Morgan, Benjamin F. Butler, A. W. Benson, Harding, Colby & Co., Stamford Man'g Co., William Oothout, Spofford Bros. & Co., William K. Cary, Henry Day, William R. Powell, Fifth Avenue Hotel, Abiel Abbot, each \$25,	775 00	Gaylord Watson, Unknown, each \$3, Cash,	6 00
Well Wishers, for library, John Turner, for Lizzie Turner Memorial lib'y, H. W. and Friend, for library, "E." for library, Samuel D. Davis, John E. Parsons, Mrs. F. P. Schoals, Elliott C. Cowdin, Cash, "S." C. A. Hedges, Brevoort House, J. R. Hills, for library, W. N. Seymour, John E. Spencer, Sailors' Home, Mrs. A. E. Bronson, Mr. Luqueer, for library, Samuel Wetmore, Mrs. Julia F. Noyes, R. M. Olyphant, S. G. Ward, William Whitlock, Jr. Mrs. A. C. Kip, William W. Kip, Mrs. Horace Holden, Mrs. M. C. Vermilye, Rev. B. N. Martin, D. D., for library, E. J. Wright and Friends, for library, William Libbey, Jr., for library, James C. Carter, P. Bullard, Daniel S. Miller, for library, each \$20		Mrs. C. C. Darling, Miss M. L. Warren, Mrs. R. S. Cox, Cash, "S. P. T." "S. P. S." John F. Henry, each \$1,	2 50 2 00 6 00
Mrs. A. D. Wilson, "D. H.," J. Everts Tracy, Geo. F. Betts, Edward Austen, C. D. Van Wageningen, Willard Parker, M. D., each \$15,	620 00	Niagra Falls, William H. Childs, Mrs. S. G. Porter, \$20 each for libraries, A. H. Porter, \$10, W. F. Evans, \$3; Mrs. F. B. Burrell, \$2,	57 00
G. G. Williams, Warburton, Bonynge & Adams, Walter Edwards, Mrs. Lispenard Stewart, Delmonico, Moses Cristy, Miss Oothout, Mrs. L. P. Siebert, F. Marquand, Norman White, F. A. Palmer, William Barbour, J. C. Howard, Somebody's Sons for somebody's Sons, Louis W. Towt, Peter Cooper, William F. Havemeyer, William M. Everts, E. H. Owen, Joseph H. Choate, William G. Lambert, William Borden, William N. Blakeman, M. D., William Sioane, William Dennistoun, Josiah M. Fiske, Charles Morgan, Gaylord Watson, S. B. Strong, Jr., P. Bartlett, Edwin Mead, R. R. Graves, Geo. W. Mead, James G.	105 00	M. E. church, M. E. church, North Amityville, M. E. church, North Granville, Mrs. A. A. Carr, North Parma, Bap, church, Free Bap, church, M. E. church, Norwich, Bap. S. S. for library, Nunda, Pres. church, M. E. church, Bap. church, Mrs. E. C. Brinckerhoff for Mrs. D. Bennett, library, Ogden, S. S. Science Hill, Onondaga Valley, Pres. church, Ontario, Wesleyan M. E. church, Bap. church S. S., Pres. church, James Whittleton, for library, Orient, Cong. church. for library \$20,	7 85 5 00 1 00 6 52 4 40 18 25 20 00 5 83 2 14 9 28 20 00 9 00 5 85 1 60 3 02 5 84 20 00 40 00

Oswego, 1st Pres. church,	\$41 00	Skaneateles, Bap. church,	\$12 00
Grace Presbyterian church,	34 00	Pres. church,	13 00
West Bap. church,	21 53	Individuals,	2 20
Owego, Pres. church of wh. Mrs. Chas.		Smyrna, Cong. ch. of wh. "M." \$11 40;	
Platt \$20 for library,	53 35	M. Brown \$3 25,	14 65
Oxford, Pres. church,	7 40	A mite for sailors,	60
Bap. church,	3 00	Sodus, Pres. church S. S. in part, lib'y	8 00
Oyster Bay, J. W. Beekman, Jr. to		M. E. church,	7 55
const. himself L. M.	30 00	Southampton, Pres. church,	31 00
Palmyra, Pres. church,	8 53	Southold, M. E. church to const. Rev.	
Bap. church,	6 86	J. M. Simpson, L. M.	30 00
M. E. church,	5 57	Spencerport, M. E. church,	2 70
Parkville, M. E. church S. S. for lib'y	20 00	Cong. church,	17 85
Parma Centre, M. E. church,	4 00	Springfield, Union Meeting,	14 50
Free M. E. church,	3 26	Stapleton, Edgewater Pres. church of	
Pres. church,	5 76	wh. a Widow's Mite 25 cents,	87 98
Patchogue, M. E. ch. to const. Rev.		Sweden, M. E. church,	3 81
B. F. Reeves, L. M.	30 00	Pres. church,	13 03
Pavilion, Bap. church,	12 90	Bap. church,	1 58
Pres. church,	4 71	Syracuse, Ref. church to const. J. C.	
Peekskill, 1st Pres. church of wh. S. S.		Mix L. M.	30 00
\$25 and Mr. Geo. Dayton \$20 for		Cong. church S. S. for library,	20 00
library,	86 21	Eighth Ward Mission S. S. for lib'y	20 00
Pekin, M. E. church,	10 29	Unitarian church,	20 00
Penfield, Bap. church,	9 56	I. L. Bogg,	1 00
Ferry, Bap. church of wh. A. Taber \$20		Tarrytown, 1st Ref. church of wh. Mrs.	
for library,	30 37	A. G. Phelps \$25; H. A. Grant for	
Pres. church,	14 70	library \$20,	70 00
M. E. church,	4 00	2nd Ref. church of wh. S. S. for lib'y	
Free M. E. church,	8 88	\$20; S. Cobb and family for Bessie	
A few Friends, for seamen,	30 00	Downing library \$20, and J. S. Mit-	
Perryville, M. E. church,	5 16	chell \$25,	88 70
Phoenix, Bap. church,	4 19	Ed. B. Cobb,	25 00
Pittsford, Bap. church,	6 26	Mrs. A. D. Archer,	1 00
Pres. church,	13 66	Triangle, Rev. H. Lyman,	1 00
Port Ewen, Ref. church S. S. for W. A.		Troy, 2nd Pres. ch. Young Peoples'	
Houghtaling library \$20,	46 70	Christian Union for library,	20 00
Port Jackson, Ref. church,	3 10	Tully, M. E. church,	10 37
Poughkeepsie, 1st Pres. church of wh.		Bap. church,	4 80
Rev. T. S. Wickes \$10; Mrs. and		Tuscarora, Pres. church S. S.	2 55
Miss Sterling for the Mary S. House		Union Springs, M. E. church,	5 91
library \$20,	131 15	A Friend,	7 25
Mrs. W. C. Sterling for library,	15 00	Utica, South M. E. church,	12 40
Mrs. V. N. Reed,	5 00	1st M. E. church,	8 76
Mrs. M. J. Myers,	30 00	Mrs. M. A. Kelley,	3 00
Pultneyville, Ref. church,	3 70	Verona, A Friend,	1 13
Red Hook, William Chamberlin, lib'y	20 00	Walesville, Bap. church S. S. library	20 00
Rhinebeck, T. H. Suckley,	25 00	A Friend,	80
Richfield Springs, M. E. ch. Friend,	2 75	Waterport, M. E. church,	2 79
Pres. church, S. S.	24 25	Waterville, A. Friend,	6 39
River Head, M. E. church,	11 50	M. E. church,	10 74
Rochester, Brick church,	150 00	Welch church,	2 92
1st Bap. church and Individuals,	35 00	Bap. church,	15 25
Mrs. H. Sandford,	75	Webster, Bap. church,	7 74
Mrs. C. F. Clement,	1 00	Pres. church,	8 60
D. Dickey,	4 00	M. E. church,	2 00
Rome, 1st M. E. church,	19 13	West Bloomfield, Cong. church,	17 30
Court Street M. E. church,	2 35	West Eaton, M. E. church,	7 40
Bap. church,	15 75	Westmoreland, Bap. church,	4 38
Welch church,	5 62	West Webster, M. E. church,	5 84
Rose Valley, Bap. church,	3 44	West Winfield, Bap. church S. S. bal.	
Pres. church,	3 55	\$2 90 for library,	14 70
M. E. church,	2 75	M. E. church,	8 41
Sag Harbor, Geo. Bassett,	4 00	Mr. Harding,	10 00
Saugoit, M. E. church in part,	14 05	Whitesboro, Pres. church,	9 50
Saratoga Springs, L. W. James, lib'y	20 00	Wilson, Pres. church,	10 00
Saugerties, Ref. ch. of wh. J. B. Shef-		Bap. church S. S. in part for library,	10 00
field \$30; J. K. Merritt \$20; and F.		M. E. church,	7 60
Pidgeon \$20 for libraries,	104 52	Prof. M. E. church,	86
Mrs. M. A. Kiersted, for libraries,	40 00	Union Service,	12 00
Cong. church, for lib'y,	20 00	Williamson, Pres. church,	9 20
Sayville, M. E. church to const. Rev. S.		Wolcott, Pres. ch. S. S. in part for lib'y	13 14
Kristeller, L. M.	30 00	Wyoming, Pres. church S. S.	6 00
Capt. C. F. Terry, schr. <i>R. Mason</i> ,		Yates, Bap. church,	10 39
for library,	20 00	Lake Shore Missa. Society,	2 50
Schenectady, 1st Pres. church of wh.		Yonkers, Pres. church,	107 73
Miss Backus \$20 for library; Miss		Ref. church of wh. infant class in S.	
E. Washington and M. Schwerin		S. for library \$20,	92 00
and family each \$20 for library,	139 49	Youngstown, S. S. Pres. ch. for library	20 00
Rev. George Alexander,	4 00		
Scriba, M. E. church,	17 26		\$25,919.54

NEW JERSEY.

Bergen, 1st Pres. ch. of wh. Ira Taylor's S. S. class \$20 for library,	62 17
Bloomfield, Pres. church,	87 00
Bound Brook, Rev. Dr. Rodgers,	2 00
Caldwell, Pres. church,	31 50
East Millstone, Ref. church, lib'y,	20 06
Elizabeth, Westminster church of wh. Simeon Shindler \$20 for library,	104 00
Englewood, Rev. H. M. Booth,	30 00
Flemington, 1st Pres. church,	46 08
W. P. Emery,	5 00
Forked River, S. S. Pres. church,	2 00
Hackensack, T. M. Niven,	2 00
Jamesburgh, Pres. church,	20 00
Jersey City, 2nd Ref. church of wh. Mrs. A. A. Lutkins \$20 for library,	75 00
Laf. Ref. church,	40 00
Family Mite Box for library,	20 00
Lafayette, Ref. church,	37 00
Morristown, W. L. King (for Marselles)	30 00
South Street Pres. ch. of wh. Miss. Ass'n for library \$20; W. L. King \$50; Mrs. T. F. Randolph's S. S. class for library \$20,	266 71
Newark, 3rd Pres. church,	261 51
1st Pres. church of wh. Mrs. Wm. Rankin \$104; C. S. Osborne \$20 for library,	340 00
South Park Pres. church of wh. F. Wolcott Jackson to const. Phillip Nye Jackson, L. M. \$30; Ira M. Harrison \$20,	115 10
North Ref. church of wh. William Clarke to const. himself L. D. \$100; Rev. W. H. Steele, D. D. and Peter S. Duryea, each \$20 for library; Mrs. Schaaf \$3,	165 04
2nd Pres. church,	52 98
High Street Pres. church of wh. Mrs. P. A. Goble to const. Rev. Geo. C. Pollock, L. M. \$30,	97 15
Central Pres. church,	78 00
Mrs. Howell and family, for library,	20 00
Mrs. Rev. W. B. Brown,	1 00
W. B. Mott,	5 00
Frederick Nichols, for library,	20 00
Rev. Dr. Brinsmade,	1 00
Miss Abby Cox, for library,	20 00
Mr. Runyon,	2 00
Newton, Pres. church,	20 00
Orange, 1st Pres. church,	157 00
2nd Pres. church,	133 82
Central Pres. church,	22 00
Orange Valley, Cong. church of wh. S. \$30 for library,	99 47
Parsippany, Mrs. G. C. Parke,	2 00
Plainfield, 2nd Pres. church of wh. Job Mali to const. himself, L. M., \$30; R. M. McDonald, for library \$20; A. D. Shephard library, by his father, \$20,	193 00
Readington, Mrs. Helen C. Johnston,	5 00
Schraaenburgh, Rev. Dr. Gordon,	1 00
Somerville, 1st Ref. church,	31 00
2nd Ref. church,	7 24
Mrs. B. H. Garretson,	2 00
Rev. J. F. Mesick,	1 00
South Orange, Pres. church of wh. E. H. Mead \$20 for library,	138 42
Trenton, F. J. Slade,	50 00
Soldier's Children's Home,	20 00
3rd Pres. church,	52 94
Vineland, S. S. Pres. church, for lib'y	20 00
West Millstone, Ref. church of wh. S. \$20 for library,	47 88

\$3,063.07

PENNSYLVANIA.

Bloomsburg, Mrs. M. L. Neal,	\$ 5 00
Dunmore, J. B. Smith,	10 00
Easton, 1st Pres. ch. S. S., lib's,	40 00
American Ref. ch., of wh. Miss Ella Green's S. S. class, for lib'y \$20, J. M. Silliman's class for lib'y \$20,	71 43
Germantown, Moses Brown, Jr., for library,	20 00
Miss Wales, for library,	20 00
Harrisburgh, Mrs. M. E. De Witt,	10 00
Linwood, Mrs. S. W. Hall,	3 00
Philadelphia, H. A. Bower,	5 00
Anonymous,	3 00
A. M. Morrison, for Henry K. Morrison Library,	20 00
Scranton, Juvenile Miss. Ass'n,	10 00
A Friend to Sailors,	3 00
Warren, anonymous,	1 00
Wilkesbarre, Rev. W. W. Loomis,	5 00
York, Samuel Small,	25 00

\$251 43

DELAWARE.

Wilmington, Miss Mary S. Boyd,	5 00
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MARYLAND.

Baltimore, H. C. Turnbull,	10 00
James Warden,	5 00

\$15 00

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington, Mrs. Jane O. Mahon, lib'y,	20 00
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GEORGIA.

Savannah, Rev. R. Webb, for library,	20 00
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LOUISIANA.

New Orleans, Special collections from individuals at the North,	115 00
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TEXAS.

Galveston, Sea Captain,	10 00
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OHIO.

Bellbrook, D. Holmes, Jno. Holmes, Wm. Holmes, Andrew Holmes, ea. \$2,	8 00
Benton, Estate Lucinda Beach, per H. R. Hitchcock, Ex.,	1,500 00
Creswell, James Butcher,	1 00
Oberlin, Miss E. H. Tite,	2 00

\$1,511 00

MICHIGAN.

Detroit, Mrs. Wm. Aikman, library,	20 00
Cass Ave. Bap. ch., library,	25 00
Laf. Ave. S. S. Bap. ch., lib'y,	20 00
Jeff. Ave. S. S. Pres. ch., library,	20 00
Laf. Ave. S. S. Unitarian ch., library,	28 30
S. S. 1st Cong. ch., library,	20 00
Miss Mary Wilkins,	2 00
Mrs. Carter,	1 00
Edward D. Jones,	3 00

\$139 30

AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY.

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ILLINOIS.		WISCONSIN.	
Evanston, Rev. Thos. D. Wise,	\$ 1 00	Beloit, Mrs. L. E. Allen,	\$ 5 00
Farmington, 1st Cong. church,	31 15	Bloomington, Rev. Chas. Wiley,	10 00
Lake Forest, D. R. Holt,	5 00		<hr/>
Metamora, Mrs. A. C. Rouse,	2 20		\$15 00
Newark, Jno. M. Mason,	1 00	MINNESOTA.	
Rosemond, S. Moxley,	0 50	East Castle Rock, C. Stegener,	5 00
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	\$40 85	CALIFORNIA.	
IOWA.		San Francisco, Capt. Boswell, ship	
Corning, Cong. ch., a friend,	5 00	Carrollton,	20 00
Kessauqua, Jno. W. Windsor,	1 00		
Knoxville, Mrs. F. L. Savage,	1 00	PORTO RICO, WEST INDIES.	
Osage, G. C. Wallingford,	1 00	Arroyo, Mrs. S. W. Lind,	10 00
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	\$8 00		

RECAPITULATION.

MAINE.....	\$ 1,259.79	GEORGIA.....	\$ 20.00
NEW HAMPSHIRE.....	1,665.70	LOUISIANA.....	115.00
VERMONT.....	164.25	TEXAS.....	10.00
MASSACHUSETTS.....	7,943.58	OHIO.....	1,511.00
RHODE ISLAND.....	298.93	MICHIGAN.....	139.30
CONNECTICUT.....	6,517.75	ILLINOIS.....	40.85
NEW YORK.....	25,919.54	IOWA.....	8.00
NEW JERSEY.....	3,063.07	WISCONSIN.....	15.00
PENNSYLVANIA.....	251.43	MINNESOTA.....	5.00
DELAWARE.....	5.00	CALIFORNIA.....	20.00
MARYLAND.....	15.00	WEST INDIES.....	10.00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.....	20.00		<hr/>
			\$49,018.19

TREASURER'S BALANCE.

AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY *in account with* SAMUEL H. HALL, *Treasurer.*

DR.	May 1st, 1875.	
To cash paid as follows, viz:		
MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.		
Chaplains, Missionaries, Colporteurs, Bethels, Home and Foreign Stations, &c.....	\$37,522 59	
LIBRARY WORK, &c.....	10,384 82	
PUBLICATIONS.		
Sailor's Magazine.....	\$3,452 65	
Seamen's Friend and Life Boat.....	1,873 65	
Annual Report.....	161 50	
Hymn Books.....	237 95	
Manuals, Circulars, &c., &c.....	166 57	
	5,892 32	
APPROPRIATIONS.		
Sailor's Home Insurance, Repairs, Assessments, &c.....	\$953 39	
Shipwrecked and Destitute.....	914 80	
Sailors' Widows and Families.....	285 25	
U. S. N. Academy Graduates, Special.....	70 00	
Refunded Legacy and Insurance.....	90 76	2,314 20
ADMINISTRATION.		
Secretary and Treasurer.....	3,000 00	
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Rent, Salaries, Int. Acc't, Postage, Office and Anniversary Expenses, &c., &c.....	5,944 19	
Balance in Treasury.....	1,711 93	
	\$66,770 05	

Examined with vouchers and found correct.

HORACE GRAY, }
DAVID GILLESPIE, } *Auditors.*

	May 1st, 1875.	CR.
By balance from previous year.....		\$2,933 52
" Donations, Collections, &c.....	\$38,472 37	
" Legacies, &c.....	10,545 82	49,018 19
" Auxiliaries.....		11,352 60
" Cash, Rent Sailors' Home, &c.....	\$2,042 04	
" " Int. Perm't Fund.....	648 44	
" " Magazines, &c.....	448 69	
" " Hymn Books.....	47 22	
" " Refund from Sailors.....	36 73	
" " S. C. Damon.....	222 99	
" " Miscellaneous.....	23 63	3,465 74

E. & O. Excepted May 1, 1875.

SAMUEL H. HALL, *Treasurer.*

\$66,770 05

SUGGESTIVE FIGURES.

NUMBER OF VESSELS ENTERED AND CLEARED AT THE PORT OF NEW YORK IN 1874--

THEIR TONNAGE AND CREWS.

The following statement shows the number of American and foreign vessels, their tonnage and crews, which entered into and cleared from the District of New York, from and to foreign countries, during the year 1874; also the number and particulars of the vessels engaged in the coastwise trade, during the same period.

	American vessels entered.			American vessels cleared.		
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.
January.....	181	62,342	1,792	171	80,359	2,201
February.....	150	85,113	2,244	130	64,678	1,870
March.....	252	113,193	2,980	188	88,206	2,447
April.....	273	124,599	3,324	192	91,874	2,489
May.....	287	125,833	3,426	186	75,791	2,232
June.....	320	125,157	3,457	174	91,829	2,454
July.....	188	86,070	2,475	149	81,979	2,126
August.....	148	78,168	1,988	119	70,858	1,921
September.....	149	79,617	2,121	100	52,109	1,495
October.....	126	65,551	1,845	119	66,753	2,019
November.....	143	83,430	2,315	109	56,352	1,636
December.....	142	64,905	1,884	162	85,066	2,268
Total.....	2,309	1,095,978	29,851	1,799	905,854	25,158

	Foreign vessels entered.			Foreign vessels cleared.		
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.
January.....	262	268,808	7,878	309	296,448	8,463
February.....	211	233,688	6,922	214	247,191	7,318
March.....	310	289,877	8,437	248	253,467	7,467
April.....	404	349,732	10,397	322	336,386	9,036
May.....	421	362,588	10,687	398	350,100	10,504
June.....	489	415,412	12,325	506	424,631	12,262
July.....	398	363,388	10,805	450	385,523	11,343
August.....	399	380,836	11,288	373	353,170	10,535
September.....	356	353,567	10,624	335	334,389	10,005
October.....	267	292,050	8,784	334	344,241	10,373
November.....	214	232,159	6,822	256	248,633	7,276
December.....	201	237,468	6,870	210	259,215	7,488
Total.....	3,932	3,779,568	111,839	3,935	3,833,393	111,970

	Coastwise arrivals.			Coastwise clearances.		
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Crews.
January.....	176	125,779	3,499	295	191,258	4,820
February.....	145	133,105	2,818	223	161,818	3,339
March.....	200	148,310	3,418	312	167,636	4,012
April.....	193	126,577	3,003	379	180,029	4,464
May.....	247	144,902	3,338	421	191,902	4,882
June.....	222	148,301	3,441	396	185,785	4,596
July.....	202	149,966	3,471	356	175,186	4,208
August.....	214	151,236	3,482	342	178,281	4,261
September.....	232	147,889	3,432	395	214,125	5,320
October.....	269	180,649	4,190	402	236,767	5,748
November.....	219	175,616	4,002	344	193,468	4,697
December.....	219	161,463	3,745	351	212,757	5,018
Total.....	1,538	2,793,793	41,839	4,216	2,289,012	55,865

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American Seamen's Friend Society.

Organized May, 1828—Incorporated May, 1833.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—The name of this Society shall be "THE AMERICAN SEAMEN'S FRIEND SOCIETY."

ART. II.—The object of this Society shall be to improve the social and moral condition of seamen, by uniting the efforts of the wise and good in their behalf; by promoting in every port, Boarding Houses of good character, Savings' Banks, Register Offices, Libraries, Museums, Reading Rooms and Schools; and also the ministration of the Gospel, and other religious blessings.

ART. III.—Any person contributing five dollars annually, shall be a member of this Society, or by paying thirty dollars at any one time, shall be a member for life; and any person paying one hundred dollars, either at one or two payments, shall be a director for life.

ART. IV.—The control and disposal of the funds, property and estate of the Society, and direction of its concerns, shall, in accordance with the act of incorporation, be vested in a Board of Trustees, consisting of twenty-four persons, who shall be chosen by the members of the Society, eight of whom shall be a quorum at a regular meeting convened. Absence without excuse, by any Trustee, from the regular meetings of the Board for six successive months, may be held equivalent to his resignation. To guard against the evils of inexperienced legislation, the Board shall be divided alphabetically into three classes of eight each, one class of which, and one only, shall go out at the end of each year, and these be re-eligible. To guard furthermore against sectarian predominance, a majority of the Trustees shall at no time be of one denomination. Said Board shall have power to fill all vacancies that may occur therein; to appoint from their own number a President, a Treasurer, and other officers, as the interest of the Society may require. They shall furthermore appoint such standing Committees as they shall deem needful to mature business for execution by the Board.

ART V.—The Board shall have power to appoint their own meetings, form their rules of business, and, when necessary, convene the Society; they shall have the disposal of its funds, take such security of the Treasurer as they shall think proper, employ such means for accomplishing the object of the Society, as, in their judgment, its exigences may require, keeping regular minutes of their proceedings.

ART. VI.—Any Society whose object is the welfare of Seamen may become *auxiliary* to this Institution by expressing its desire, forwarding its Constitution, list of officers and annual report, and such surplus funds as may not be needed for its local use. Each auxiliary shall be entitled to send one delegate to all the meetings of the Society, and of the Board of Trustees.

ART. VII.—Societies for the same object in our large seaports, which may prefer to become *branches* of the National Society, with a view of forming their own auxiliaries, and thus enlarging the sphere of their operations, shall be received as such upon the terms above specified for auxiliaries; and shall be entitled to three delegates at all the meetings of the Society and the Board, and to any other privileges which in the progress of the Institution, the Board may deem it expedient to grant.

ART. VIII.—Seafaring men, who are disposed to promote religious privileges while at sea may become connected with this Society, its Branches, or Auxiliaries, as *Floating Committees* under such regulations as the Board may adopt; and shall receive the sanction and assistance of the Society.

ART. IX.—This Society shall meet annually on the Monday preceding the second Thursday in May, in the city of New York, when the report of the Board shall be presented, and a new Board constituted, according to the provisions of the 4th Article.

ART. X.—All moneys already contributed, or that may hereafter be contributed, for the purpose of purchasing, or erecting a building or buildings for the use of the Society, shall be applied to that purpose, and no other. And no conveyance of real estate by this Society shall be made, without the written consent of at least two-thirds of the Trustees for the time being.

ART. XI.—No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, unless requested at an annual meeting, and sanctioned by two-thirds of the members present.