

It is pleasing to observe that the number of Publications issued, still increases. The number of Books issued during last year, was 12,620 ; Tracts and Sermons, 41 458 ; making a total of 54,078 Publications. Of this number 24,628 were for gratuitous distribution. Its income during the year, including a balance from the previous year of £166 19s. 1½d., was £597 13s., and its expenditure was £551 2s. 6d.

**L'ORIGINAL BRANCH SOCIETY.**—This Society has received Publications to the value of £8 5s. 10d. ; has remitted £7 13s. 9d. ; has sold £3 worth ; and has sent Subscriptions to the amount of £1 13s. 9d.

#### DEPOSITORIES IN THE COUNTRY.

Some of these were withdrawn during the year. The small amount sold, and the heavy debt due to the Parent Society, rendered it expedient to take this step, until the Society shall be in circumstances to resume and extend such operations.

#### USEFULNESS OF TRACTS.

Extract from a letter from a person to whom the last Report of this Society was sent :—

“ I am glad of an opportunity which offers to-day to thank you for two copies of the Seventh Report of that precious Society, the Religious Tract Society. The finger of God is in this blessed noiseless instrumentality, and eternity will tell of its success ! I sometimes think of the various persons, who have interested themselves, perhaps, in *one tract*, meeting in heaven, and comparing notes as it were :—the Author—the Subscriber—the Distributor—and the benefited readers. They find Christ in all of it—Christ in the heart of the Author—Christ in the heart of the Subscriber—Christ in the heart of the Distributor ; and through the combined