

pleasure we note that during the past year the importation has reached the large numbers 15,500 Bibles, and 15,800 Testaments.

These have been disposed of principally by our staff of Colporteurs in all their extensive journeys, penetrating the nooks and corners of the land, at prices which bring them within the reach of all. As stated in the statistics of Colportage, 205 families were found without a copy of the Bible, and their want supplied.

#### RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY'S BOOKS.

In reference to the excellent publications of the Religious Tract Society of London we give an extract from the address of the Committee of that Society relating to the

#### PREPARATION OF THE SOCIETY'S WORKS.

"In the preparation of the Society's works, it is the constant and invariable desire of the Committee that every tract and book shall contain a clear statement of the method of a sinner's recovery from guilt and misery, by the atonement and grace of the Redeemer. So that, if a person were to read a tract, even of the smallest size, and should never have an opportunity of seeing another, he might be plainly taught that, in order to salvation, he must be born again of the Holy Spirit, and justified by faith in the perfect obedience unto death of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

#### ESSENTIAL DOCTRINES.

"To prevent, however, the possibility of any misunderstanding respecting the nature of the Society's works, the Committee feel it necessary to state that they clearly and fully set forth the important truth, that 'we are accounted righteous before God only for the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, by faith, and not for our own works or deservings; that being justified freely, we are made the sons of God by adoption; made like the image of His only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, we walk religiously in good works, and at length, by God's mercy, we attain to everlasting felicity.' In publishing the truths of the Gospel, the Committee adhere to the Holy Scriptures as the only, but sufficient, standard of faith. Their publications flow from this sacred fountain; and the Committee hope, so far as it may be said of human productions, that they

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