Comparative receipts for 1873 and 1874 :-

Received	in	periodicals	4000.99 8137.73	1874 \$3180.47 4470.91 11676.31
		Colporteur sales		\$34629.09 32803.96
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The total value of publications circulated at the Society's prices, including those distributed gratuitously, amounts to more than \$34,000.

## THE DEPOSITORY.

Removed from the old stand over a year ago, now occupies a good position in the chief business thoroughfare of the city. The premises fortunately secured, are in every way suitable for the objects of the Society. A large and varied assortment of the best Religious Publications, is kept constantly on hand, the stock being replenished with fresh supplies from Great Britain by every Mail Steamer, and monthly packages from New York and Boston. The sales of Books, Bibles, &c., at the Depot were about 38 % in advance of those for the preceeding year;—and of Periodicals about 11 %.

## GRATUITOUS DISTRIBUTION.

Upwards of \$1200 worth of Bibles, Books and Tracts, have been distributed gratuitously by the Colporteurs, \$1000 worth have been given in discounts from the society's prices, to sabbath schools. Over one million pages of Tracts have been granted to Ministers of the Gospel, City Missionaries, Y. M. C. Associations, and others engaged in voluntary Tract distribution. Our City Colporteur made 3710 visits to the shipping in the harbor, and supplied the seamen with Tracts. The Y. M. C. Association of this City, Pictou, &c., received liberal grants for the same purpose. The Rev. Messrs Morton, Grant and Christie, laboring among the Coolies in Trinidad, receive monthly supplies of Illustrated Periodicals, which are highly prized by the children, and help these Missionary brethren in their sabbath school work. The Benevolent and humane institutions in this city receive regular supplies.

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