

TRACT DISTRIBUTION.

The committee appointed for Tract distribution beg to report that from the first Sabbath in May to the last Sabbath in October, the vessels lying at the wharves from the Dockyard to the Gas Works have been systematically visited. Each one doing his assigned work.

They have been instrumental in distributing sixteen thousand (16,000) tracts, and as a general rule giving one to each person. The police station, ferry station house, military guard rooms and places of public resort have been supplied at an appointed hour every Sabbath morning, and your committee have every reason to believe that they have been read. Whether they have been turned to good account or not, they are always thankfully received, and the distributors are anxiously looked for in the mornings. If on any occasion the Tracts are declined (which is very seldom) it is with respect.

Instances are given of the tracts being carried away in the sailors' chests, read and exchanged in other ports. The result will only be known when every man's opportunities, have been weighed by the Searcher of all hearts.

STRANGERS AND EMPLOYMENT.

This committee beg to report that they have kept the object of their mission vividly before them, and in several instances they have succeeded in procuring employment for those who sought it, but sometimes their most strenuous efforts have been in vain.

In one case a young man from Cape Breton without means, and desirous of returning home, applied to, and was enabled by some of our members to return to his friends.

The committee would repeat their former suggestion, that any young men coming to our city, bring with them a letter of introduction from their minister or other respectable person, to the President, Secretary or some member of the association, who will, when applied to, be happy to furnish them with any information in their power.

LITERARY.

The Literary Committee beg to report as follows:

Since the termination of the session in April last, your committee held two meetings for the purpose of devising a programme of exercises, of a more varied and practical character than hitherto, for the Session of 1869-70. Having completed their arrangements they called a preliminary meeting of the class for the first Monday in November, but so few of the members attended, that it was deemed expedient to adjourn, until a requisition, sufficiently urgent should be made to the committee to resume the regular meetings. Up to the present time, no second meeting has been held, and it is probable that the Literary Class will be suspended for the present winter.

So far from expressing regret at this, your committee are pleased to find that the cause of this suspension, (or non attendance of