

sider the subject: It was not till some months afterwards, that the same lady visited this district; the first thing that struck her attention, on entering the house of this person, was an evident increase of comfort in its appearance; something like cleanliness and order might now be seen, where formerly the greatest want of such recommendations existed. After a little conversation, the woman earnestly requested the loan of a Testament, till she should have completed the subscription for her Bible, as she said, from having attended an Adult School, she was now able to read many easy chapters, and she and her husband were very anxious to become acquainted with the Holy Scriptures. It is almost unnecessary to add, that her request was granted with the greatest readiness. The Visitor has had the satisfaction, not only of receiving the most grateful acknowledgements, but of finding that the husband is now actually learning to read of his wife, who but a few months since did not know her letters."

Among their foreign correspondence, is given, first, an abstract of the sixth Report of the American Bible Society, which strikingly evinces the unwearied exertions, which are made on this side of the Atlantic, for the spread of the Bible; and the cheering results, which have succeeded such devotedness. The sixth Report of the NEW-YORK FEMALE AUXILIARY BIBLE SOCIETY, for 1822, we likewise have, containing much interesting matter. It appears it had distributed the preceding year 780 Bibles, & 100 Testaments: this Society, is composed of more than 180 members.

"In one of their Reports the Collectors state, "We have found our employment not only gratifying, but edifying. In making the visits, an opportunity is afforded us of observing the diversity of character and circumstances among the poor. Among the humblest, piety the most elevated has been discovered; and among the poorest, liberality the greatest; the ignorant have appeared eager to receive instruction, and the unformed to

take advice. A poor coloured woman, when engaging to subscribe for a Bible, said "she had never paid any money so freely; it was hardly earned, but could in no other way be so well spent." On the first call, she paid two shillings, and respectfully requested to have a chapter read to her, to which she listened with eager attention; if oppressed with hunger, she could not apparently have received necessary food with more avidity.

A coloured woman said she was already supplied with a Bible, but was very happy to have it in her power to contribute a little towards placing so good a book in the hands of the destitute, and was quite sure she could pay one shilling quarterly, and never miss it.

A letter from Middletown states, "It was from Bibles sent to this place for distribution from the New-York Female Auxiliary Bible Society, that the spirit for forming an Association first emanated. Those who received them having been fully impressed with the importance of the gift, earnestly desired to impart it to others according to their ability, and entered with alacrity into the scheme when proposed to them. The case of a young woman is mentioned, who was first induced to learn to read by the receipt of a Bible from one of the Associations; and, as she was far from any place of worship, this Bible, with the Spirit of God attending it, was her only teacher. Three years it was her constant study; it enabled her to perform her duties in an exemplary manner, and she died praising God for it. Shortly before her death, she placed it, in the most solemn manner, in the hands of her husband, charging him to preserve it carefully as her best legacy to her children, at the same time praying for a blessing upon those who had given it to her.

Following we have the Report of the Osnaburg Bible Society, for the year 1821, (Osnaburg is situated in one of the principalities of Germany.) Its labours are confined within the principality of Osnabruck, containing a population of 150,000 souls, although its operations