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In New York, the like object is promoted by the appointment of Mr. Neau, as their lay correspondent; and in New England, the Governor, Richard, Earl of Bellamont, consents to undertake the same office.

Nor was poor Newfoundland, so long forgotten and forsaken, altogether lost sight land.

of in those days ²⁰. Mr. Jackson was appointed Missionary to the Island; and, on the 24th of March, 170_{T}^{o} ,—upon the report of Dr. Bray, that subscriptions to the Plantations then amounted to £600 a year,—it was resolved to deliver to Jackson a supply of books and tracts, of which the particulars are recorded in the Minutes; and, at the next meeting, a further sum was ordered to be laid out in Bibles and Prayer Books, which he was to take out with him. Another report was made by Bray, at the last of the meetings above mentioned, from which it appeared, that, in the seven bays of the Island then belonging to the English, there were 7000 inhabitants, and in summer about 17,000, who had not 'yet had any minister, or minis-

¹⁹ See p. 412, *ante.* One great source of relief to the Huguenot refugees, was furnished by the briefs, issued under royal authority, for collecting money throughout the churches of England. A well-known story, relating to it, is told of Beveridge, when he was Prebendary of Canterbury, that he objected to the reading of one of these briefs in the Cathedral, as contrary to the rubric; and that Tillotson, then Dean, answered his objection by saying, 'Doctor, doctor, charity is above rubrics.' Birch's Life of Tillotson, p. 130.

²⁰ For the former treatment of Newfoundland, see Vol. i. 329 -335.