

ing to their doors the Bible, together with seasonable admonitions given to families who often, through poverty and sickness, were deprived of advantages which others so munificently enjoy, besides the frequent opportunities of combating with wrong in every form."

He was much gratified to meet with two families who took a delight in hearing what he had to say about Jesus—both urgently requested him to be sure and call again. One of these whom he had presented with a Bible on a former occasion said a portion of it was read every day. He called for a sight of it, and with pleasure discovered signs of its being used. A daughter of about eighteen seemed to take much pleasure in reading it. As he read a chapter and expounded the import of its truth, her attention seemed to be so riveted that she forgot everything for the time, and listened only to what God had in His love provided for man's redemption.

The following are the last impressive sentences of his Report. They ought to be well pondered by all:—"In conclusion, I might say with all safety that there is not an agency in our whole country of equal value and importance, apart from the Divinely appointed institutions of the Church, which can be of greater service in leading the careless to acknowledge the truth than that of Colportage."

LADIES' BIBLE ASSOCIATION.

The Ladies' Bible Association go on their way faithfully and prosperously. They have contributed one-half of the salary of the Colporteur, and for part of the year maintained a Bible-woman, whose visits have been blessed in conveying religious instruction to the poor, and (it is hoped) in leading some of them to the Saviour.

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY.

It were vain in the limited space allotted us to attempt the merest outline of the varied labors and successes of our illustrious parent for a single year in her majestic progress as the great disseminator of Divine truth through the world, enabling the rudest and most barbarous, as well as the most refined and civilized nations, "to hear and speak in their own tongues the wonderful works of God." From the Sixtieth Report of the British and Foreign Bible Society we derive the following statistical information:—Of 167 languages or dialects, the distribution, printing, and translation of the Scriptures in