

who, while in the employment of the Society, itinerated in some of the Townships west of London; and Mr. Evans, who has been labouring in the country around Port Dover. The Colporteurs are found to be most useful not only in circulating the Word of God amongst those who are destitute of it, but in creating an interest in the Bible cause, and preparing the way for the establishment of new Branches. The direct success vouchsafed to these Bible Agents has been encouraging, as will appear from the following statements:—

Mr. William Large, employed 9½ months; received from the Depository 767 Bibles, 1302 Testaments; total 2069 copies of the Scriptures; value £158. 2s. 11d. Sold 690 Bibles, 1271 Testaments, given away 12 Bibles, 16 Testaments; total circulated 1989 copies; value £147. 8s. 9d. Visited 3664 families. Mr. Large was engaged the remaining 2½ months in taking up subscriptions.

Mr. John Burkitt, employed 10 months, received from the Depository 489 Bibles, 824 Testaments; total 1313 copies; value £97. 16s. 6d. Sold 373 Bibles, 696 Testaments, given away 2 Bibles, 6 Testaments; total circulated 1077 copies; value £88. 16s. 6d. Visited 1096 families.

Mr. Joseph Rolston, employed 5½ months, received from the Depository 410 Bibles, 521 Testaments; total 931 copies; value £72. 12s. 4d. Sold 241 Bibles, 394 Testaments, given away 3 Bibles, 1 Testament; total circulated 639 copies; value £46. 4s. 6½d. Visited 1737 families.

Mr. James Evans, employed 3 months, received from the Depository 232 Bibles, 446 Testaments; total 678 copies; value £53. 19s. 5d. Sold 87 Bibles, 198 Testaments, given away 7 Bibles, 18 Testaments; total circulated 310 copies; value £17. 15s. 2d. Visited 204 families.

Total number of Copies sold by Colporteurs.....	3950
“ “ “ gratuitous distribution... ..	65

Total distribution by Colporteurs.....	4015
Total amount received by Colporteurs	£309. 4s. 11½d.
Total number of Families visited.....	6701

The following extracts from the journals of two of the Colporteurs will serve to illustrate the nature and progress of their work, and the kind reception given to them, while it encourages the Directors in the intention of employing additional labourers for the ensuing year:

Mr. J. Burkitt writes from Orillia, under date July 31, 1855, as follows:—

“I am delighted with my work, and have had much encouragement by the continued flow of kindness from every one, and I feel convinced that the work of Colportage is likely to prove an immense benefit to the country at large. It is admirably adapted to meet the spiritual wants of those especially residing in the backwoods of the several townships of this rising coun-