

ally lessen the cost of Colportage if in all the fields the same considerate kindness was shewn.

As the work becomes better known and appreciated we may naturally expect other fields of labour to show the same blessed grace of hospitality without grudging.

A PLEASING INCIDENT.

Early in the year a Christian mechanic called at the Tract Depository, and having stated that he was led by the perusal of a tract on systematic giving, to devote one-tenth of his earnings to the Lord, he wished to spend a part of that tenth upon Colportage, in a district of the coast named by him.

He spoke of the great need of such work. The people were poor and ignorant and many of them lived carelessly in sin. He had done the same before the Lord opened his eyes. He now wished there might be a personal canvass from house to house, and that old and young might be exhorted to turn to the Lord. He had known of the work of the Tract Society and had confidence that it would do what he designed to have done. He gave for the purpose \$25 for Colportage and \$8 in addition towards the building fund. His wishes were cheerfully attended to and the section of country referred to had a visit from one of our most active and zealous Colporteurs.

THE BENEFIT OF TRACT CIRCULATION.

It is believed that the tract which was the seed from which such good fruit sprung was imported and distributed by our Society. Many thousands of such tracts were circulated.

The donation which he gave to the Society was not his only one that day. Said he, "The minister in the section of the country where I used to live, is old and poor. The people do not pay him very well. But I will give him a surprise to-day. Will you send him these \$7 from a friend, and he will never guess where the money comes from and I dare say he will be pleased when the letter is opened." So the money was sent, and in due course an acknowledgement was received.

We wish all the ministers labouring in the provinces had just such considerate friends to surprise them occasionally.