COLPORTAGE IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

Owing to the extended coast of this Island, its numerous harbours and inlets, and the want of roads, Colportage work is peculiarly difficult and expensive. We had three agents employed there whose united service amounts to $15\frac{1}{2}$ months.

Messrs. Parsons and Allen have each a boat of his own, and by visiting the harbours are enabled to reach a greater number than could be reached by any other mode of conveyance. The very interesting facts to be found under the head of Colporteurs' Reports will convey some idea of the difficulty of the work, the poverty and isolation of the people and the great need of continued efforts in this direction.

REDUCED PRICE BOOKS.

We have referred already to the great boon conferred upon Sunday Schools through the beneficence of the Religious Tract Society of London.

We have supplied during the year 120 libraries, which at list prices amounted to £346. 14s. 5d. sterling. Our Colporteurs deliver these libraries at the same prices at which they are sold at the Depository, and this arrangement, so convenient to the purchasers of libraries, increases the sales of the Colporteurs, but causes a corresponding reduction at the central depot.

GRANT OF TRACTS.

We received a free grant of £200 worth of tracts from the Religious Tract Society of London, which was of incalculable benefit, and we have to tender our hearty thanks for the kindness and liberality of the Committee in thus aiding us.

THE BANNER COUNTY.

Colchester may lay claim to the high honour of being, in relation to the work of this Society, the banner county in the Maritime Provinces. Our Colporteur, Mr. J. C. Johnson, reports that during 7 months service he was not charged for any hospitality extended to him. We think this is the first time in the history of the Society that a Colporteur was without an expense account. It would very materi-

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