

Bibles? and I found cases where it was impossible to give an idea of what a religious book is. When I inquired if they had any, they replied, 'Yes, we have Testaments and spelling books.' Others would say, 'books are very good for men of good learning, who have plenty of time; but for poor farmers, who can barely read, a Bible and a prayer book is sufficient.'

"Many who received from me the first Bible they ever owned promised to read them. But I met with those who though they had Bibles, were so ignorant of their contents that it is evident they seldom read them."

"Showing a small edition of the Pilgrim's Progress to a woman, I said perhaps she had it in a larger form. She answered, 'perhaps it was in the Bible,' I told her it was not, when she replied, 'Oh, but we have a large Bible.'

"Sabbath schools are quite rare in the country. The children give evidence that they would like to attend, and their parents are willing to have schools; but the difficulty is in getting a Superintendent. In some districts few that are grown up can read, and fewer make even a profession of religion. I organised three Sabbath Schools, one of which I heard was doing well; the other two I did not hear from."

"They are better supplied with preaching than with other means of grace. I visited only one place where they had no preaching at longer or shorter intervals. When a death occurred in the neighbourhood they would send for a minister, and have funeral services. I was told it was no use to visit the place. I went, however, and disposed of a number of books, and supplied several families with Bibles."

"You are not to suppose that all I visited was thus dismal. There were some cheering incidents—families where the altar was erected, and the incense arose morning and evening, who appreciated good literature, and who not only bought for themselves, but also Bibles and other books to give away. I visited part of my field a second time. Many spoke highly of the books. I called on a man to whom I sold none on my first visit. I asked him if he wished any books. From the manner in which I was received in my former visit, I was surprised to hear him answer pleasantly. He looked at the books and said, 'your books have done good here.' On asking for an explanation he said there was less drinking in the place, that the old man in the next house where I sold the book used to be a real drunkard, but was quite different this summer. I learned from him that the book, (a copy of 'The Giants, and how to Fight them,' by Dr. Newton), was lent throughout the neighborhood. This man bought a nicely bound volume, though I little expected it when I called on him."

"The 'Band of Hope' is a great favorite among the young people belonging to the Temperance organizations, owing to the appropriate pieces in it for recitation. Having witnessed the effects of those recitations,—the tears running down the cheeks of the audience,—I will venture to say that their power for the object for which they were intended, is greater than that of the best of orators would be in this place."

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