

ligious Tract Society 312 bound books, and distributed and sold 11,150 pages of tracts.

GRANTS.

Besides several grants of Bibles and Testaments to individuals during the year, the Association granted 6 Bibles to the Orphan's Home in the month of May; and in March a small grant to the House of Industry.

CITY VISITATION.

In visiting the City two objects are kept in view by the members of this Association; the sale, or gift, when necessary of copies of the Scriptures and the collection of money in small sums from persons willing to assist the Association in its work.

Comparatively few copies of the Scriptures have been disposed of by the members themselves during the past year or two. This is partly owing to the fact that the Protestant part of the City has been tolerably well supplied, and partly to the increased attention paid to Colportage in the country. It might be well however, ere long to make another united and systematic effort to reconnoitre the whole field, and attempt to place the word of God at least in the family, of every Protestant in the City.

The second object of visitation has been most perseveringly and successfully carried out. Ladies belonging to the several churches in the City have united cheerfully in the work, and we are confident that although sometimes a little discouraged, few of them would wish to relinquish a mission which, both directly and indirectly, by its moral effect on the visited, and its reflex influence on the visitor, may be instrumental of so much good.

The plan adopted enables all to contribute to the spread of the word of God—puts this privilege in the way of the poorest—and thus prevents them from feeling that they are excluded by their poverty, from advancing the happiness of their fellowmen; while their contributions however small, help to counteract the selfishness which ever threatens to settle down upon the human heart.

One collector writes of her district: "Those persons who contribute, do it apparently with pleasure, and cheerfully; but sometimes the remark is made 'we have as great heathens around us as can be anywhere.'" It is a lamentable