

able to grasp by faith the strong hand of the Master. Although Peter like, sinking amidst life's billows, they felt they were safe in his blessed arms. I was often cheered in my services by the hearty "God bless you in your work, for we have been cheered and blessed by your coming among us." One old man came to me, after preaching from "Put on the whole armour," and got hold of my hand and said, "You have given me a firmer grip of the shield of faith and the sword of the spirit, and the old enemy is once more put to flight." Oh may we meet where fighting will be past, and joy and gladness will be our portion forever." These have been a few of the bright spots that have cheered me on from day to day. With these facts, can we doubt the efficacy of our work as toilers in the vineyard? And now, in conclusion, may the blessing of Him which maketh rich and addeth no sorrow thereto, be upon us all as we enter the new year.

MR. JOS. TWEEDY writes :—

I have to report that though surroundings were very unfavourable in many places for the sale of books, I think that in no year for some time back has the blessing of God more copiously followed the work of this Society. There was a pleasure and a success attending my labours this past year that I never noticed so much before. When often on account of the felt scarcity of money I could see no prospect before me, in several cases, I would be cast down; yet all at once something would turn up, and I have succeeded far better than I expected. Now I set this down entirely to the goodness of God, as I am very sure that the cause is good, and that His hand is ready to help. I may say here in all sincerity that so far, as I am concerned, I never had a happier year, during my 15 years' labour for the Society.

A GENERAL VIEW OF MY FIELD OF LABOUR.

The County of Northumberland is very large—I think the largest in the Province, but owing to its large districts and small population, there are very many places very poorly supplied with religious ordinances, and several places not supplied at all, and some places having a mixed community composed of Methodists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians, not enough of any to support a minister, are dependant on an occasional supply by strangers.

I was in Tabusintac last winter. They told me they had not heard a sermon for nearly six months. In many places they collect a little money and get some books for a Sabbath School, and it runs for a short time till the books are read, and then generally dies away.

A gr
want of
debt, an
those pla
me when
about hi

I fou
years old
he had i
what I k
was a gi
the hous
their bo
her one,
sowing l
County l
that coun
county, a
light-hou
They hav
number c

In N
Newcastl
Campbell
said to be
been glad
below Do
and conv
she is sav
in His bl

Mr. J

My li
Tract Soc
and twen
John. A
books an
of familie
travelled
services, f
Bible, bu
long and
for the sa
friends to