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ing cottage newly built, where I stopped to feed my horse. The immates,a rather aged couple and several children, chiefly daughters,—were unable to speak English, except the head of the family. From him I learned that they had recently been "burnt out," and had "lost almost every thing." Yet they all, now they had got into a new habitation, seemed contented and cheerful. On enquiring more particularly into their circumstances, and the state of their neighbourhood, if such it might be called, for the houses were widely scattered, I was glad to find that every house had in it one or more copies of the Scriptures, and in some families who were able to procure them, every member who could read had a copy, at least of the New Testament. They seemed overjoyed to learn my calling, and sought to do something to testify their respect for me as a Travelling Agent of the Bible Society, offering me every thing they could in the way of refreshment. After some very interesting christian conversation with the man, and through him as interpreter, with the rest-for I found them intelligent on that subject-I asked what I could do for them. The woman replied with much emotion, that the greatest favour she could desire, would be, if I should visit them again, to bring her a Gaelic Bible of large print, her own having been lost, but feared lest when it should come she might not have money at hand wherewith to pay for it. I have not been able to return yet, but I sent the Bible, and have no doubt she rejoiced over it more than over her earthly goods, even when they most abounded.

In another and still more distant part of the Province, I had the happiness to visit a lady who was afflicted with a disease which seemed to bid defiance to medical skill. But she had been directed by her Bible to a Physician whose favour is "better than life," and through whom she found a remedy for all her diseases. The story of the cross was applied as a balm for every wound, and all she wanted was there. Before I returned again she had passed away; but her eldest daughter, who has since followed her to the tomb, and a servant of the house, had been made, through her pious conversation and triumphant death, partakers of "like precious faith." As the earthly house of her tabernacle was being dissolved, she called them to her bedside, to point them for the last time to that "house not made with hands," towards which she was so cheerfully hastening. On retiring they were much affected, and the servant said: "Oh I have seen nothing like this-my mistress is happy in the thought of dying." A copy of the New Testament in French was given to her, for she could not read in English, nor had she read any part of the Scriptures before. New light shone upon her mind, and brought with it "peace and joy through believing." She hastened home to tell her friends, but they were alarmed and sent for their spiritual adviser, who laboured hard, yet ineffectually, to shew that she was wrong. He advised as the only remedy, that her Testament should be taken from her, which was accordingly done. But she returned to her former place, where I saw her, and found she was longing to possess a copy of the whole Bible in French, which I engaged to procure for her. On my return to the city, I was sorry I could not obtain one, but was kindly supplied with a very good copy by the Depositary in Pictou, which I sent, and afterwards heard she had gladly received. May it be made a lasting blessing to her and to her friends, and the result have to be told in more glowing terms, though "after many days!"