

COLPORTEURS.

Our colporteurs, twenty-five in number, have followed their instructions with fidelity, doing the work assigned to them with patience, good courage, and most commendable industry. Their work is arduous at best; but specially so when the storms of winter rave round them, and roads are heavy and distances great. Sometimes, we regret to say, they meet with little manifestation of hospitality, and their hands are weakened and their hearts saddened through lack of the sympathy so precious to the weary toiler. In other cases, however, in whole counties, the colporteur passes from place to place meeting a most cordial welcome everywhere, and never being permitted to pay a cent for the hospitality so cheerfully extended to him. It ought to be so everywhere. Welcome the servant for the dear Master's sake!

The Society has a fund of \$4,809.37 to be devoted to the purchase or erection of a building for the accommodation of our work. Donations to this object are respectfully solicited. It will be a great boon to the Society when it shall be able to sit rent free in premises of its own.

LOSSES.

The Society has suffered a heavy loss in the removal by death of our beloved and devoted President, Thos. A. Brown, Esq. For many years Mr. Brown took special interest in the dissemination of sound evangelical literature. He was interested in the Depository in this city, which preceded our Society, and he was one of our active officers from the first. He was a man of faith and prayer and of the warmest Christian affection.

We have also to mourn the loss of a valued supporter and member of the Board of Directors, S. A. White, Esq. Mr. White served for years on our Finance Committee, and he brought a sound judgment to bear on all matters coming before the Committee. Both these gentlemen remembered the Society in the final disposal of their property.

DONATIONS.

Last year we reported the sum of \$4,232.71 as having been received for the general purposes of the Society. For the year 1888 we have to record a handsome increase, the receipts reaching the sum of

\$6,342.93.
Building Fund

No funds
We have been
thousand dollars
late S. A. White
which has been

The receipts
from colporteurs
other sources is
On the other
colportage, \$600
per Treasurer's

During the year
service equalled
39,475 miles;
granted \$1,300
were found 41
except the Bible
184. Nominal
evangelical pre-
conversation on
number of families

Reference was
the New Testament
Society at one place
be completed in
have been distributed
imported, most
readers.