

## BRANCH SOCIETIES IN CONNEXION WITH THE PICTOU AUXILIARY.

Merrigomish	Tatamagouche
New Glasgow	New Annan
East River (Pictou)	Wallace
West River	Pugwash
River John	River Philip

Amherst—in connexion with the Auxiliary of St. John.

The Halifax Ladies' Association	Associations in connexion with the Nova Scotia Auxiliary.
St. Matthew's Church Do.	
Guysborough Do.	
St. Ann's Do.	

New Glasgow Ladies' Association—in connexion with the Pictou Aux.

Yarmouth Ladies' Association—in connexion with the Yarmouth Aux.

All these Societies, except one which was recently formed, have been carried into operation; and though some have not done much as yet, almost every Branch has its Depository well stocked with Bibles and Testaments, and if properly managed will be nearly self-sustaining,—the proceeds of sales sufficing, with a little addition, to renew the supplies, except in a few places where more of gratuitous distributions are required. The free contributions will therefore be much augmented, if that attention to the object be given to it, which its importance demands. Last year the amount of remittances from the Branches and Associations, to the Auxiliary in Halifax, exceeded that of the preceding year by nearly sixty pounds; and a gradual increase may be easily attained without any great sacrifice of time or means, or any interference with local objects of a kindred character. But there will be a direct and immediate advantage arising from these Bible Depositories which should not be overlooked: The pure and unadulterated Word of God, is now, or soon will be introduced to the notice, and placed within the reach of almost every individual in the Province; and attention to the importance of giving practical effect to this, has been recently awakened both by the friends, and by the foes of Bible circulation—though quite undesignedly by the latter. But “the wrath of man,” which “worketh not the righteousness of God,” will be thus made to “praise him,” and “the remainder of wrath will he restrain.”

In all my journeyings from the commencement, I have met with the utmost kindness, both personally and in reference to my object, from those who have favoured me with their intercourse, and the circle is being gradually enlarged. Many occurrences too, which were highly interesting to myself, and not always soon to be forgotten by others, have come under my notice, some of which it may not be improper to mention. But I have not been thrown so directly and constantly into those scenes which are more fruitful of remarkable incident, as I should have been if my work had been simply the distribution of copies of the Scriptures, and that among a people altogether unacquainted with Divine truth.

Towards the close of a day of much toil and difficulty, on emerging from the deep bosom of a large and dense forest, I came to a humble look-

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