

religious books, and I made good sales among them. I found travelling very difficult owing to the circuitous nature of the road, there being no direct road along the shore. Generally the people are poor, owing to the failure of the fisheries. I gave the poorest of them a lot of cheap literature, gratis, which was greatly appreciated by them. Another section in the same county which I did not visit the previous year was West River, St. Mary's. This year I found the people there very anxious for religious books, and made good sales.

At Grand River and Loch Lomond in the County of Richmond, I have made good sales. I happened to travel in that locality when the Lord's Supper was to be administered at Grand River, and Rev. Mr. McKenzie gave due announcement of my arrival which greatly facilitated my sales. There have been religious revivals in parts of my field of labour this year under Rev. Mr. Meikle, and I found that such books as are sold by the Society were greatly appreciated by the anxious enquirers. With the help of Mr. Walter McDonald and Mr. Lewis McKeen, I circulated a great deal of religious literature among the anxious enquirers in Mabou.

BIBLE DESTITUTION.

I am sorry to state notwithstanding the diligence of colporteurs from year to year, there are still some Protestant families without the Bible. I found this year four families without the Bible, and destitute of all other religious books, two of these were not in a remote place, but in the midst of a large Protestant settlement, and in many instances I found a great many who might be said to own only a part of a Bible, and others who had only the New Testament. Many had the Bible but were destitute of all other religious books. I am glad to add that on my visiting them their wants were supplied. I met many among the fishermen who neglect attending on the means of grace. On these I urged the necessity of attending the means of grace and the things concerning their eternal salvation. I have also met with some who wanted to buy but had not sufficient funds, to these sometimes I was induced to sell at reduced prices in order to put sound literature in their hands, and it was owing to such causes that my grants were so large. I am convinced of the necessity of the continuation of colportage work.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday Schools throughout my field are generally well conducted. I have not sold any libraries this year, but some of the superintendents order their libraries direct from the Depository. I have sold to teachers of Sunday Schools a number of Peloubet's *Select Notes* on Sunday School Lessons, also a number of small prize books for children.

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