

GRANTS FROM THE DEPOSITORY.

In response to 162 applications, there have been granted religious books, Bibles, Sunday School papers and cards, during the current year, amounting to \$814.25. In this connection we insert two letters as samples of the channels through which our grants are made :—

GRAND FALLS, N. B., June 28th, 1887.

I received your very welcome and handsome grant of Tracts only last week. Will you please convey to the Committee my warm thanks for their very handsome grant. I have looked over them, and find them most suitable to my wants, namely, something bright and attractive, with a very large sprinkling of illustrations, which are always so taking. As the nearest Bookstore is at Woodstock—a distance of 65 miles, you may imagine the amount of any reading matter—especially good—is not large.

I am, yours truly,

W. B. ARMSTRONG.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld, 10th January, 1888.

Your very liberal supply of religious tracts given to me last May, were scattered amongst the seafaring population as follows :—To many crews going to the Labrador, and to some of the Grand Bank fishermen, to sailors on board foreign going ships ; also to seamen on board H. M. ships visiting this port ; to the sick in some of our Public Institutions, and to emigrants bound to the Dominion of Canada and the United States. The Lord alone can tell the good that has been done by those silent messengers of mercy.

Sincerely yours,

J. J. ROGERSON,

President Y. M. C. A.

To Secretary of the B. A. B. and Tract Society, Halifax.

BIBLES.

In 1887 we imported 9,082 Bibles, and 10,790 Testaments. We received also from the Bible Society of Prince Edward Island for sale there by Colportage, 360 Bibles and 628 Testaments.

In the detailed Reports of our Colporteurs will be found statistics of the number of Bibles and Testaments disposed of by each. As noted elsewhere, there were 277 families found without a Bible in the house. At an average of five persons to a family, this represents 1,385 individuals who had no copy of God's word to guide their steps to the Lamb of God.

The following were issued to Cape Breton, 3 granted free.

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