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THE RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY,

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WE have great pleasure in subjoining extracts from the Ninety-Sixth Annual Report of the Religious Tract Society. Substantial assistance in the way of grants of publications has been given us by this Society from year to year, without which we should have been seriously hampered in our work:

"The Society has printed important books and tracts in TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN languages, dialects and characters; its annual circulation from the Depository in London, and from various foreign societies, is nearly SIXTY AND A QUARTER MILLION, and its total distribution to March, 1895, has been nearly THREE THOUSAND AND NINETY-SIX AND THREE QUARTER MILLIONS of copies of its publications.

The income of the Society from all sources has amounted to £160,800 12s. 4d., as against £181,762 10s. 5d. reported last year.

The grants made during the year amounted in value to £32,613 15s. 9d.; of this sum £6,720 8s. 5d. was contributed by the recipients, in part payment. The value of the grants has exceeded by £2,036 18s. 11d. the total amount received as Missionary Funds, and this amount has in consequence been charged to the Trade Account.

CIRCULATION.

There have been issued during the year 728 new publications, of which 179 were tracts. The total number of publications sent out from the Society's depot during the past year was 40,124,800, showing a decrease on the circulation of the previous year of 4,184,050. The number of tracts and handbills put in circulation was 17,970,850, as compared with 18,965,850 in the previous year.

The issues from foreign depôts and societies connected more or less directly with the Religious Tract Society, and assisted by its grants, may be safely estimated at 20,000,000, making a total circulation of 60,124,800."

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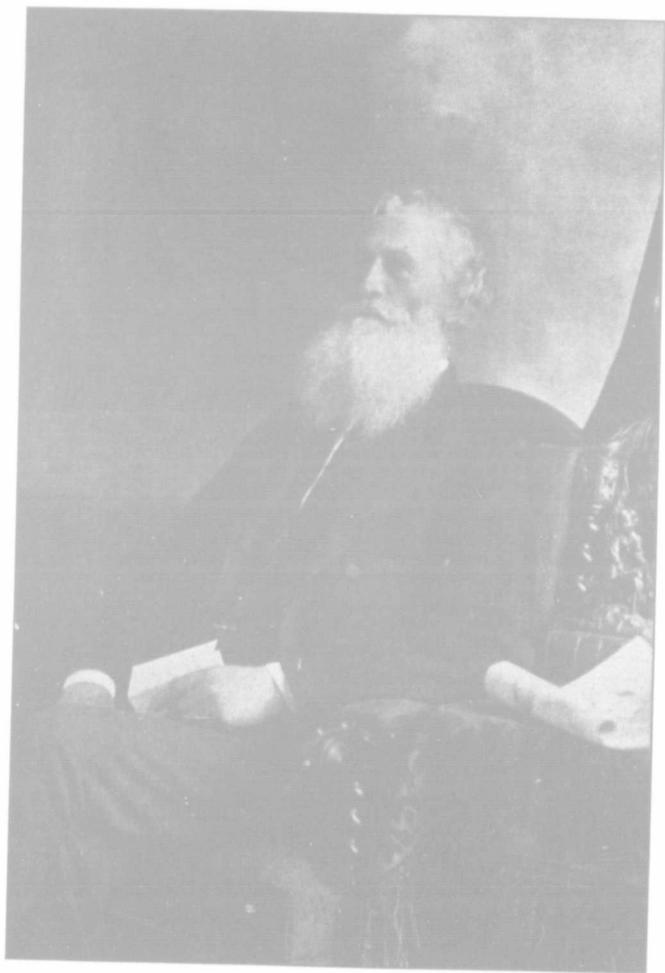
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TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BRITISH AMERICAN

Book and Tract Society,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1895.

ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING,

HELD AT

Halifax, February 11th, 1896.

' By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.'

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1896.

Islands just as one of our Colporteurs, whose visit had evidently been very welcome, was about to leave. The books he had distributed were cherished and were calculated to do great good. He spoke of the benefits following the circulation of tracts and books, particularly in such isolated districts. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The second resolution which was as follows :

This meeting humbly expresses gratitude to God for the large degree of success that has attended the work of the Colporteurs in the distribution of the Scriptures and Gospel books and tracts.

was moved by REV. T. LAWSON. He had come in contact with persons who had profited by the work of the colporteurs. In a large county in N. B. he had met families without the Bible who had been supplied by our Colporteurs and who were converted to God by that means. MR. LAWSON had also fallen in with captains who testified to the great good done in Labrador by the Society's Colporteurs. He found traces of the work of the Society in different parts of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The Word of God is being circulated, and that means much.

JOHN S. SMITH, ESQ. seconded the resolution. He regarded it as a privilege to belong to this Society. We are supplying wants not otherwise supplied. He spoke of a visit he had made to Labrador and the hunger he had seen there for the Gospel and good literature. Passed unanimously.

The third resolution, which was as follows :

That we gratefully acknowledge the liberality of the many friends who have contributed so generously in aid of the work, and in view of the need of its further extension and development, respectfully urge its claims upon the liberality of the Christian public

was moved by REV. F. H. ALMON. He spoke of the efforts put forth to do good by Societies, and he pointed to the danger of the older Societies being overlooked by newer Societies. We ought to insist on the features of this Society that are permanent and essential, such as the circulation of the Holy Scriptures and religious literature—especially tracts

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of a pure evangelical character. There is also the spoken word by the colporteurs. The services of colporteurs are specially useful in scattered and isolated districts. He regretted the limited number of agents in the field, and expressed the hope that larger liberality on the part of the public would justify expansion. Seconded by W. H. WISWELL, Esq. Passed unanimously.

REV. J. S. BLACK expressed his deep interest in this Society and similar organizations.

On motion of REV. JOHN MACMILLAN, the Officers for the ensuing year were duly elected. The meeting closed with prayer by REV. F. H. ALMON.

WITH our Annual Report we have pleasure in sending to the supporters of our Society a portrait of our beloved President, WILLIAM C. SILVER, Esq., for many years one of the foremost business men of the city of Halifax. While conducting an extensive business, he found time to show very practical interest in our religious and benevolent enterprises. This he has done not only by gifts of money, but by giving time and thought, and the benefit of his mature wisdom and experience. He has been President of the British American Book and Tract Society for a period of six years.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

IN presenting their Twenty-eighth Annual Report, the Committee of the British American Book and Tract Society desire to express their devout thankfulness to Almighty God for His continued aid and blessing. They fully realize the truth of their Divine Master's declaration: "Without Me ye can do nothing." One colporteur may plant and another may water, but it is God alone who gives the increase. He is ever, what He revealed Himself to the father of the faithful, "El-Shaddai,"—the Almighty God, who is not limited nor hindered by any difficulties. Our aim has been so to order and conduct all the affairs of the Society that His approval may remain with us, according to the saying of the Psalmist, "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly."

The work of colportage is like God's rain, it waters the just and the unjust. By the Holy Spirit's blessed agency, to the just it brings peace and growth, while in the experience of the unjust it has often proved the means of conviction and conversion. Our colporteurs have had a wide range of visiting. Along the storm-beaten, rocky shores of Labrador, for hundreds of miles, and on the east and west coasts of Newfoundland, indented by innumerable harbors, the travel was necessarily by boat, with its attendant perils and discomforts. Here the colporteur would find a solitary family in a lonely inlet; then groups of families forming scattered hamlets; and, less frequently, a town with its busy wharves and shipping, throbbing with quick life, in the eager race for riches. The Magdalen Islands, separated from the current of travel, and shut up for half the year in lonely isolation, have had a welcome visit from one of our agents. The garden Island, Prince Edward, has been diligently traversed by two of our faithful men. The glens and mountains, the high-ways and bye-ways of lovely Cape Breton, with its sturdy warm hearted Highlanders, have had a good share of attention. Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, to the full measure of our ability, have had laborers diligently pursuing their calling. The sick have been cheered, the

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careless aroused, the needy helped with donations of tracts, Bibles, or good books, to the value of \$596.76, during the year.

Everywhere have our colporteurs been received with a kindly welcome, but of no other place can it be written, what is recorded to

THE HONOR OF COLCHESTER COUNTY, NOVA SCOTIA.

"It is an old story which can bear being retold," writes Mr. J. C. Johnson, our faithful colporteur, "that, during the past year, I have not been charged for one meal, or for a night's lodging, throughout the whole of Colchester County."

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR.

We have had prepared for this report a map of Newfoundland, which shows also the coast line of Labrador in part. These have been the fields of much hard and expensive labor by our colporteurs for the past 23 years. A sketch of the country is appended, which is intended to give a fuller view of the difficulties of our work, and the conditions under which it is carried on. Labrador differs from Newfoundland in having a much more sterile soil, and being in the northern part of it, under a more severe climate. The people are poor, and have a hard fight for a living. Missionaries live at great distances from each other, and the communication with the rest of the world in winter is by the mail driver carrying the mails for hundreds of miles by sledge with a dog team.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

A most interesting part of our field for colportage is the Island of Newfoundland. It is situated at the mouth of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and is the most eastward outlying portion of North America. It lies between the parallels of 46° and 52° north latitude, and between the meridian of 52° and 59° west longitude. Its shape is that of an irregular equilateral triangle, whose sides are over 300 miles long. It has a total area of 42,000 square miles. This is one-third larger than Ireland or Scotland, and twice the size of Nova Scotia or of the kingdom of Denmark. Two large peninsulas project from the main body of the island. One of these is long and narrow, pointing toward the north, and separated by the Strait of Belle Isle from Labrador, a distance of nine miles. The other is

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the great peninsula of Avalon, lying toward the south-east, and on the eastern side of which is the capital, St. John's. The coast line is indented with bays, which, in some instances, penetrate the land for 80 or 90 miles. If the coast line, estimated as the crow flies, be called 1,000 miles, so numerous are the indentations of the shore, in bays, and coves, and arms of the sea, that a traveller to circumnavigate the island, following the shore line, would require to sail at least 2,000 miles. The coast is generally without any gravelly beach. Great ribs of rock rise in massive cliffs, making many perils of waters for the navigator. Many a strong ship has struck upon those wave-beaten shores, with little prospect of ever floating again. The serrated coast affords abundance of good harbors; and coves and inlets for the protection of the fishing fleet are numerous and secure. In many parts of the coast, where miles of rocky walls rise 200 or 300 feet above the sea, the views are grand and awe-inspiring. But the massive grandeur of the scenery only adds to the difficulty of colportage work. At times our colporteur has to force his way along in an open boat, from harbor to harbor, choosing a fair day for his venture, and glad when he has made the shelter of the next fishing hamlet. As he propels his boat up an inlet, he may view with delight the bright blue sky, clear as that of Italy, the dark evergreen forest clothing the hills to the waters edge and affording material for the fisherman to build his boats and fishing stages. Numerous islands may dot the surface, and the whole is a scene of surpassing beauty. It is from the sea that the inhabitants gain their living, and very little of the labor of an earth tiller can be seen. At the heads of the bays may be found land capable of culture, and ready to yield pasture or crops of grain, but, generally speaking, the shore line is not capable of extensive cultivation. The greater part of the interior of the island is yet to be explored.

To the south of Newfoundland flows the warm current of the Gulf Stream, a great river in the ocean. The air above it is warm and laden with water, and when this is driven by wind into the chill atmosphere of the polar current, there is an immediate condensation of moisture, producing those fog banks which are a source of danger to navigation. But whilst the sea may be enveloped in clouds of fog, the warmer air of the land dissipates the vapor; and thus the island



itself is comparatively free from fog. But to add to the dangers of navigation, there are the shifting currents of the ocean, and the great tidal indraught of the larger bays, so that mariners have to be very careful in approaching the coast.

INLAND.

The center of the island, so far as explored, is described as being hilly, abounding in lakes of all sizes. There are valleys, and ponds, and marshes, brooks and branches of rivers, and undulating plains. In some parts there is good timber; in other parts there are great barrens, where reindeer abound. One third of the interior is estimated to be covered with lakes and lakelets, great and small, from 60 miles in length to the little pool a few yards in extent. This central field awaits the advent of the farmer, and no doubt in time the fertile land will be brought under cultivation. The veins of metals will be explored, and the material wealth of the island made subservient to the wants of man. There are not many large rivers. The largest is the Humber, falling into the Humber arm of the Bay of Islands.

POPULATION.

According to the census for 1891, which includes Labrador, the population of Newfoundland was 202,040, of which 4,126 resided in Labrador. The principal denominations are: Church of England, 69,834; Roman Catholic, 72,696; Wesleyan, 53,276; Presbyterian, 1,459; and other denominations, 4,795. The professional men are: clergymen, 180; teachers, 601; lawyers, 43; doctors, 62. There are 1,545 farmers, and 53,502 engaged in curing fish.

MORAL QUALITIES.

Rev. Moses Harvey, LL. D., in "Newfoundland as it is, 1894"—an admirable hand-book from which we have freely drawn our information—thus speaks of the people:

"It is admitted on all hands that a more moral, law-abiding people cannot be found elsewhere. Serious crime is rare, and the proportion of offenders against the law to the whole population, is very small. Temperance has made great progress among them, and, on the whole, they are a sober people. Their kindness and hospitality to strangers who visit the country are proverbial. A traveller finds himself at once at home in Newfoundland, whether in

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the capital or the more distant settlements, and all vie with each other in showing him attention and kindness. Quiet, orderly, church-going, attached to their religious faith, the people live peaceably among themselves, and outbreaks of bigotry and fanaticism are now almost unknown. Kindness to the poor and indigent is a marked feature in the character of the people; and when, through failure of the precarious fisheries, distress occurs, the fishermen help each other to the full extent of their means, and often share to the last morsel with those who are more destitute than themselves."

CLIMATE.

Winter sets in about the first of December, and lasts till the end of March. Falls of snow cover the ground, which is rarely frozen to a greater depth than a few inches. Warm winds and bright warm days take off much of the snow, to be followed again by further falls. Sometimes there are heavy gales of wind and severe snow storms. The arctic current on the eastern shore, with ice, retards the coming of spring. The temperature in summer is generally not over 70, and in winter it rarely falls to zero. The climate is healthy, and the natives are generally powerfully built, robust, and of great powers of endurance—a hardy race. Malaria is entirely unknown.

COLPORTEUR WORK.

In the year 1873 the British American Book and Tract Society began colporteur work. In the cities and larger towns there were churches, and ministers, and schools, to educate and evangelize the people. But in the sparsely settled fishing districts, the missionary had often so extended a field that a yearly visit was the most that he could accomplish, while there were some isolated places where it might be said the sound of the gospel was never heard. The life of a fisherman, with its trials and dangers, is well fitted to bring out and cultivate the best part of a man's nature. When our Lord wanted apostles, He found many of them among the fishermen of Galilee. The patience necessary to toil all night and catch nothing; the endeavor to row a boat against a storm of wind and rain; the courage to face death when adrift in the fog; all these tend to develop a character marked by quick intelligence, self-reliance, and vigilance. But however valuable these qualities when consecrated to the service of Jesus, there is nothing in nature, or in man's

struggles with its dumb forces, to lift him into harmony with God. It needs that the glad tidings of the gospel be preached to him, and when his new life is entered upon, there is found to be a man of heroic endurance, of faithful service, and of child-like dependance upon the Divine Master. It is impossible to allot to each influence its due portion in the work of bringing the gospel to the fishermen of Newfoundland. All we claim is, a share in carrying on the good work. The following laborers have done good service, and endured hardship and danger known to themselves and God only. They have often pursued their work at the risk of their lives, and their patient endurance has alone made it possible that so much of the field has been covered :

George Cameron, W. P. Archibald, Daniel McKay, James Potter, J. M. Robinson, M. Bethune, James A. McLean, J. A. Hubley, D. Killock, H. J. Ferneaux, J. Thompson, Levi Garland, T. R. Mifflin, Frank S. Coffin, Roland Mellish, J. W. Crawford, C. H. Pippy, W. McLeod, A. Parsons, G. A. Leck, George Allen, J. K. Fraser, William Sealey, S. A. Fraser, McLeod Harvey, John Campbell, T. G. Sealey, D. M. Martin, H. Fiquet, F. S. Hollet, W. J. Richards, A. R. Sealey.

Their combined service is equal to that of one man for 34 years, and they circulated by grant and sale \$34,320.00 worth of Bibles, good books and tracts.

It is wonderful that in a land where money is so scarce amongst fishermen, that sales amounting to so large an aggregate could have been made. The volumes have been, in the main, directly evangelising in purpose and tone. Hundreds of volumes of Talmage's sermons have been sold. The publications of the Religious Tract Society, so well adapted to instruct and enlighten, and the beautifully illustrated books of S. W. Partridge & Co., and the graphic gospel books of the Drummond Tract Society, have a large and ready sale. Not always were the books chosen for the value of the contents. One of our colporteurs spread out his wares before the admiring eyes of a fisherman's wife. The bright flowers which adorned the cover of one volume caught her eye. Said she : " I must have this one, I can make a lovely mat pattern from it." It is to be hoped that both the outside and inside supplied a felt need. Nor are the volumes at all to be counted as the solitary possession of

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the owner. When the long days and nights of enforced winter leisure come round, some one known to be a good reader, has a crowd of eager listeners, as he holds their attention for hours at a time. Every book in turn which has been purchased in that locality is produced for the general benefit. In this way a world of good has been accomplished. It has often happened, too, that the man who can read, is a man of faith and prayer who loves the Lord Jesus, and thus he is able to throw more life and power into the reading of such a book as *Pilgrim's Progress*; and the tale is listened to with all the interest which its wondrous dramatic power is calculated to evoke. It is the testimony of captains of trading vessels that there has been of late years a marked improvement in the character and morals of those fishermen of Newfoundland who frequent the coast of Labrador in the summer season.

Our colporteur, Mr. George Allen, has during the past year worked the eastern coast of the island. A glance at the map will show that from Conception Bay, in the south, to White Bay in the north, about 200 miles in a direct line, so numerous are the bays and coves and inlets, that 500 miles of travel would be required to reach all the toilers of the sea who reside between his starting point and the end of his journey northward.

Our colporteur, Mr. W. J. Richards, has had as his field the western shore, which includes also the southern shore, beginning at Cape Race and extending as far north as Flower's Cove, a distance of about 500 miles, but following the coast probably 750 miles. Here is the description, given by a traveller, of the Bay of Islands, one of the harbours on the western coast:

"As we approach the romantic bay, the magnificent scenery of the coast can scarcely be described in terms to do even faint justice to its merits. Great cliffs tower up above the ship, while the deep soundings allow us to approach and steam, for hours, not a cable's length from the shore. Hundreds of small bays indent the coast, while some take a majestic sweep inland, unveiling innumerable isles and lovely beaches. Hour after hour we pass scenes and landscapes which gradually unfolded themselves to our delighted vision as very glimpses of fairyland; but there were grander to come. Early next morning we were on deck, and words cannot describe the glorious sight presented. Before us was the Bay of Islands, robed in all the magic colouring of an early summer morning; a vista of mountains

capped with snow, fantastic peaks, cliff on cliff rising sheer from 2,000 to 2,500 feet, great chasms between columns of rock which looked like the walls of some vast temple. From some of the precipices waterfalls, formed by the melting snow away up, tumbled in foaming beauty down the steep."

But glorious as nature appears, we have to do with our brother men who are scattered in little fishing hamlets, battling bravely with the wild forces of the ocean for a bare livelihood, and having few advantages of education or moral training. Temptation to sin is just as real, unbelief is just as soul destroying in these solitary places as in the whirl and bustle of city life. Jesus says, "Without Me ye can do nothing," and it is to make them acquainted with His tender care and loving sympathy that our colporteurs push their way along from harbor to harbor, and seek out the solitary who have no man to care for their souls.

BOATS WANTED.

We want two good boats for Newfoundland. Well fitted handy whale boats, with sails and oars, not too large for one man to handle. If some kind-hearted friend of the Society would send a special donation for such a purpose it would be a gift well bestowed. The cost would be about \$100 each.

HELP FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

We have had from St. John's and Harbor Grace, and a few other places in Newfoundland, warm sympathy and help. The need for the work is heartily recognised and appreciated.

THE WORK APPROVED.

We have had many appreciative testimonies to the value of our work. One minister writes :

"By your kindness in sending me grants from your depository, I have been able to combine colporteur work with ministerial. I have boarded schooners and small boats with bundles of precious truths, and if you had seen the gladness of the mariner, and the ravishing way every tract and sheet was read and reread, you would say, thank God I was ever engaged in such a soul-saving, world-lifting enterprise. On a Sabbath day these books and tracts are the sermon, the spiritual educator, the illuminator. Most of the schooners under my notice have been well supplied with books, tracts, leaflets, etc.,

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Thus on the Banks of Newfoundland, enveloped in fog on long, lonesome Sabbath days (whilst the French have no Sabbath), our people are found interested in the narratives of "Good Words," "Gospel Trumpet," "Come to Jesus." Far from village or city bells, far from sanctuary and ministerial cheer or invitation, our men, amid rocky and stormy commotion, enjoy the simplicity of the gospel as found in your distribution."

Scenes like this marked the visit of our colporteurs :

"A cheerful, happy woman, on shaking hands with me, said : 'I see you are the same man who was here a few years ago. My dear Benny, you remember, sir, he was a cripple. Benny had a lot of books from you. Perhaps you remember that the house used to be full of young people at that time. My dear boy said, 'Mother, I'll have these two books for the children. These others I'll have for myself. Mother, I am sick. Perhaps I have not many weeks or months to live. If I don't live to read them through, they'll be good for you, mother, and for my sisters.' That wonderful book, 'The Power of Faith,' he had that, because it was such nice large clear print. How he did enjoy that book ! He could read every word of it before he died. He had 'The Child's Companion' for his sister. Carrie learned it nearly all by heart, she read it through so many times. Well ! how the children used to laugh at some of the pleasant things in that book. Then there was a book the men were fond of. They had it on board the craft while at the herring fishery. You gave us a few temperance tracts. There was an account in one of how a kind father, through drink, became a very wicked man. Would even sell his wife's and childrens' clothes for money to get drink. He got so low that he even stole the old family Bible and pawned it for drink. That tract went from one end of the harbor to the other. There was some good done by your visit to the harbor. We remembered you, and I used to ask every strange traveller that came along about you, if you were alive, how you were doing, and where you were. We are all right glad to see you once more."

What a picture that is of the latent power of colportage. Here are some of the blessings bestowed on a single family. A sick lad comforted by 'The power of faith.' His only spiritual instructor, it saves his soul by the blessing of the Holy Spirit. Then the happy little girls cheered, instructed and made happy by a child's book, a bright collection of pictures and poetry, and little stories all conceived in the spirit of the gospel. And how little a thing does a tract appear when you have piles of books on your table,—but look at this experience. A single graphically written narrative, true to

the life, appealing to the experience of every one, carried from house to house, read and reread, until the fishing hamlet knows it by heart. Seed falling into good soil and bringing forth fruit to everlasting life. Multiply this story ten thousand times, and you have not a total equal to the labors of our colporteurs in Newfoundland.

CAPT. JAMES MCCONNELL, of Port Hillford, Nova Scotia, has for many years visited the coast of Labrador in his trading schooner. The Society has supplied him from time to time with tracts pamphlets, and books which he has distributed amongst the needy. In 1893 Capt. McConnell conveyed a number of Esquimaux people from Labrador to the World's Fair. During his long acquaintance with the people he has had ample opportunity of seeing the benefits arising from the work of our Colporteurs. He writes as follows:—

The good that is being done on Labrador through your Colporteurs will never be fully known until all things here shall have an end and the Great King shall gather his people home. The part of the coast on which I more particularly do business is from Battle Harbour to Hamilton Inlet, I have noticed in many instances that the Colporteur is as much looked for to come with some good books and tracts, as those are who bring the necessities of life. I know from personal experience of several cases in which persons have been led to the Saviour through the reading or having read to them, some of the tracts or books that have been sent by your Society. One great trouble is that there are so many that cannot read for themselves. But once having had read to them some touching incident from a tract or book, they will never forget it. I have noticed in many instances a great change for the better in the last ten years, and I do think that the Society should try to continue the work begun by them, in still keeping a colporteur there.

BEQUESTS AND DONATIONS.

We have received from the executors of Rev. Thomas N. DeWolf, of Hants County, FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS, and also the sum of two dollars and fifty cents from Mr. John S. Smith, of this city, being from his deceased son, Percy J. Smith, who remembered the Society in his dying hours. In donations applicable to colportage, the sum of \$3,961.64 have been received.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

The receipts from store sales and periodicals were \$8,203.49; from colporteurs sales, \$6,583.49; from donations, \$3,961.64; legacies,

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\$502.50; from other sources, \$222.97; balance, \$34.97; making a total of \$19,509.06.

On the other hand, we have paid for publications, \$10,303.01; for colportage, \$3,749.49; for duty, \$702.83; all other expenditures, per treasurer's report, \$4,740.53; making a total of \$19,495.86; and leaving a balance in hand of \$13.20.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF COLPORTAGE.

During the year 1895, 13 men were employed whose united service equalled that of one man for eight years. They travelled 17,760 miles; they sold books and Bibles in value, \$6,717.39; they granted \$596.76 worth; and they held 483 public meetings. There were found 98 families who were destitute of all religious books except the Bible. Of families without a Bible, and who were supplied, there were found 40. Nominal Protestant families who do not attend public worship, 136. In 7,786 families there were conversations on matters of religion, or prayer offered. The whole number of family visits made was 25,491.

BIBLES AND TESTAMENTS.

We imported 7,754 Bibles, and Testaments. We purchased from the Auxiliary Bible Society of Prince Edward Island, 662 Bibles and Testaments. The total number of copies, which is about the number distributed in the year, aggregates 8,416.

COLLECTIONS.

Our business manager, Mr. Roland Mellish, devoted his time largely to visiting our contributors throughout the field. We thank our friends for their cordial reception of him, and their response to his appeals. Messrs. Walker and Secord collected for us in Prince Edward Island. With his customary kindness, Mr. Howard Primrose, Pictou, has given attention to our interests in that locality. Our thanks are due to the staff of lady collectors, who have rendered faithful service in Pictou, and also to the friends at the Nova Scotia Steel and Forge Company's works for collecting liberal contributions. Mr. Isaac C. Morris made collections for us in Annapolis Valley and the western shore of Nova Scotia, also in St. John's, Harbor Grace, and Carbonear, Nfld.

GRANTS FROM THE DEPOSITORY.

We have, in response to 120 applications, made grants of tracts, Bibles, Testaments, and books, in value, \$600.40. By our colporteurs we distributed gratis to the value of \$596.76, making a total free distribution of \$1,197.16.

THANKS.

We are grateful to the Committee of the Religious Tract Society of London for their generous assistance in granting tracts, which are invaluable in our colportage work.

The British and Foreign Bible Society, and the National Bible Society of Scotland, have our cordial thanks for the terms upon which their publications are supplied for colportage.

The owners and agents of the Allan Line of Steamers have given valuable assistance in the work of the Society by free carriage of our books. We cannot speak more highly of the safety of this line than by remarking that in the history of the Society there has not been a single dollar of loss arising from any damage in course of transit, which is certainly a remarkable immunity. Every package came safe to hand.

CONCLUSION.

We respectfully address contributors as co-workers together in a glorious cause, and, best of all, we are permitted to have the high honour of being the fellow workers with God. It is His Spirit that makes unselfish work possible. The world would say, 'To what purpose is this waste,' but in making friends of the mammon of unrighteousness we are storing our money in bags without holes, and putting it out at interest on the best security. We do regret there is not more to spend, but we can faithfully use what God bestows. We are now in the formative stage of our national existence. Our work has helped on every good cause,—religion, temperance, brotherly love. Ministers preach to more intelligent audiences because our books, widely distributed, have been read and studied. The beginnings of divine life have been nurtured with the milk of sound teaching. The due observance of the Lord's Day is promoted and all the virtues which combine to make a people great, have been cultivated by the aid of colportage. It is the friend of all except the devil and his works. Angels rejoice and Satan is defeated; robbed of his prey when men begin to pray and study God's Word. Let us not weary in well doing, but, taking courage from the experience of the past, let us continue to extend the operations of a Society whose beneficent results are recorded in imperishable characters upon redeemed ones in Heaven.

Statistics of Colportage for the Year ending December 31st, 1895.

CAPE BRETON.

NAME	FIELD OF LABOUR.	Time charged to Society's service.			No. of miles travelled.	SALES.		GRANTS.		No. of public meetings held or addressed.	No. of families destitute of all books but the Bible.	No. of Protestant families without the Bible.	No. of Roman Catholic families visited.	No. of families neglecting public worship.	No. of families converted with or prayed with.	Total number of visits made.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Dols. Cts.	Dols. Cts.									
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NEWFOUNDLAND.

George Allen	North Coast	11		628	875 51	97 85	129	75	14	43	32			1342	1813
W. J. Richards	West Coast	8	12	678	633 00	54 72	40		5	233	2			249	2607
A. R. Sealey	Trinity Bay	20		68	24 87	4 00	10			5				40	178
		1	8	2	1384	1553 38	156 57	179	75	19	281	34		1631	4635

NEW BRUNSWICK.

NAME.	FIELD OF LABOUR.	Time charged to Society's ser-vice.			No. of miles travelled.	SALES.		GRANTS.		No. of public meetings held or addressed.	No. of families destitute of all books but the Bible.	No. of Protestant fam-ilies without the Bible.	No. of Roman Catho-lic families visited.	No. of families neglect-ing public worship.	No. of families convert-ed with or prayed with.	Total number of visits made.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.							
Herman Leard John Ashford	York and Carleton Restigouche, Gloucester and Northumberland	5	6	982	223	32	26	17	19	1	15	5	203	1215		
Wm. Robertson	Sunbury, Queens and Kent	7	.....	1810	724	58	30	42	17	1	91	.....	654	2039	
James Geddes	Albert	4	2	1537	228	70	30	68	31	5	3	57	48	163	1373	
		1	274	95	89	6	02	4	1	6	43	589	
		1	5	4903	1272	49	83	29	71	10	5	169	53	1063	5216	

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A. R. McQueen	Pictou	8	27	1405	750	75	45	36	62	2	3	35	14	1047	2843	
James Geddes	Hants, Halifax and Cumberland	7	26	1970	625	80	49	30	29	9	7	2	424	2825	
James C. Johnson	Colchester	5	14	1030	499	41	40	12	13	387	1530	
John Thompson	Lunenburg	3	10	200	143	73	4	34	8	30	1200	
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David Walker	Kings	9	24	3284	444	61	47	58	5	2	33	26	1333	2592	
Henry Secord	Queens and Prince	1	2009	656	46	69	02	4	2	2	41	9	1281	2465	
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Henry Secord.....	Queens and Prince	1	2060	656	46	09	02	4	2	41	9	1241	2465		
		1	9	24	5344	1101	07	116	60	9	2	4	74	35	2574	5057

Summary of Colportage for 1895.

PROVINCE	Time charged to Society's service.			No. of Miles travelled.	SALES.		GRANTS.		No. of Public Meetings held.	No. of families destitute of Bible.	No. of families who neglected evangelical preaching.	No. of families conversed with on religion or prayed with.	Total number of visits made.
	Years.	Months.	Days.		Dollars.	Cts.	Dollars.	Cts.					
Cape Breton	1	8	.....	1449	\$ 338	25	\$ 59	18	58	.....	.....	413	1332
Labrador	1	4	27	375	252	53	42	00	54	.....	.....	208	470
New Brunswick	1	5	8	4003	1272	49	83	29	71	10	.....	1003	6216
Newfoundland	1	3	.....	1353	28	.....	156	57	179	75	.....	1651	8758
Nova Scotia	1	11	1	4284	3019	05	139	15	112	1	2537	8558
Prince Edward Island	1	9	21	5344	1101	07	116	00	9	4	2574	5037
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Summary of Colportage for Twenty-Eight Years.

Cape Breton	29	10	13	8434	\$ 39385	07	\$2820	68	635	362	175	3939	1911	48495	97544
Labrador	3	4	12	9338	1509	79	265	75	427	26	13	252	7	1497	3576
Magdalen Islands	8	7	1	3115	175	28	89	41	71	29	39	307	476
New Brunswick	66	19	6	143931	75691	34	6668	16	274	1237	567	7493	2587	52115	268208
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Summary of Receipts and Expenditure for Twenty-Eight Years.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
Cash received for Store Sales.....	\$ 297,040 36	Cash paid for Publications.....	\$ 400,311 01
" " Colporteur Sales.....	303,612 50	Colportage.....	144,441 64
" " Donations.....	116,265 71	Duty.....	30,956 01
" " from other sources.....	10,214 20	Store Expenses.....	26,126 68
		Freight.....	7,164 83
		Postage.....	12,271 83
		Advertising and Printing.....	10,663 55
		Insurance.....	1,380 05
		Salaries and Travelling)	86,656 52
		Expenses.....	7,006 55
		Building Fund.....	100 00
		Refunded Loan.....	13 20
		Balance.....	
	<u>\$727,072.77</u>		<u>\$727,072.77</u>

COLPORTEURS' REPORTS.

CAPE BRETON.

REPORT OF ARCHIBALD MCPHAIL.

During the year I worked for the Society eight months, travelled 1,449 miles, sold \$538.23 worth of Bibles and books, made grants to the amount of \$53.18, visited 1,324 families, spoke on personal religion or prayed with 411 families, conducted 58 public meetings. I visited ten families of Roman Catholics and seven families of Protestants who habitually neglect the house of God.

FIELD.

My field is the Island of Cape Breton, with its beautiful rivers, lakes and mountains. The large hearted Highlanders are in full sympathy with our work, and there is a continual demand for Bibles and other good books. There has been the greatest failure of the crops in some places this year that we have had for many years, which causes serious depression in business. I have visited some of the back settlements, where some of the people are very poor. Among these poor people I did not sell much, but I consider it my duty to visit them and do all I can for them. In my visits to the poor I generally leave cheap books and Testaments, and in many cases Bibles. I find instances of the Word of God being read and thought over, and becoming a consolation to them in life and death. It is a great comfort to us to hear, from time to time, men and women giving their testimony to the good they have received from the Bibles and other good books left by us in every corner of the land.

The colporteur comes into contact with all classes of men. He is deprived of the comforts of home and exposed to the inclemencies of every season of the year. He needs to possess a stout heart, and a strong constitution, and faith in God. But if the difficulties in our way are sometimes great, we often meet with encouragements. We have in our favour the sympathies and prayers of God's people that God will bless our efforts and grant unto us strength and courage, and a firm reliance on His help. Our work is highly appreciated by ministers of different denominations,—some of them earnestly

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invite me to visit them and their congregations and preach for them. Our success has not been so great as we desire, yet the Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad.

It is with gratitude to the Author of all grace that I am able to assure you that our colportage work is highly appreciated because it is considered a great and glorious work. May He who has the hearts of men and can turn them as He doth the water brooks, incline the rich to pour some of their abundance into the hands of the British American Book and Tract Society, that they may help to supply the destitute with the bread of life. I have many isolated places in my field to visit which, means time, labour and expense. I this year visited Pleasant Bay. It is on the Gulf Shore. There is no road to the place, only a footpath over mountains towering up 1100 or 1200 feet above sea level. Over these mountains I started out with my pack of Bibles and Testaments. The day being fine, I succeeded in crossing the mountain before dark, a distance of fifteen or sixteen miles. There are about forty families scattered on the shore in this place. I visited nearly all these families, leaving Bibles and Testaments here and there amongst them. The kind hearted people of Pleasant Bay were pleased to have a visit from a colporteur, and showed me a great deal of kindness. Being there on a Sabbath, I held service for them. It was well attended, and they gave good heed to the Word of Life. We trust the seed has fallen in good ground.

On Monday I returned to Cape North. I visited Bay St. Lawrence. This place is about twelve miles north-east of Cape North. I visited all the Protestant families in that place, returning to North and South Harbours. I spent the week among them, giving a Bible and Testament here and there. Rev. Mr. McLeod being away to Synod, I preached for him on Sabbath in the Cape church, where I had a large audience, some coming ten or twelve miles to the meeting. Thus spending twelve or thirteen days between Cape North, Pleasant Bay and Bay St. Lawrence, where my sales were very small, I returned up the country, travelling thirty-four miles without selling one book. This goes to show the toil and labour of colporteur work.

Is not this mission work in the truest sense? It is the poorer and humble classes that are mostly benefited by our work, and I rejoice to know that many of these poor people communicate to others the blessed Gospel which has brought joy and hope to their own souls. An old lady told me of the great blessing she received from reading "All of Grace," left in that place the last time I visited them. Another woman whom I met, said, "You are the man who left with my dying sister, a few years ago, two little books which, by the help of God's Spirit, lead her to the Saviour, and she found peace

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THANKS.

I cannot find words to express my thankfulness to each and all of the people from whom I received hospitality and kindness when visiting their homes.

LABRADOR.

REPORT OF A. R. SEALEY.

THE close of another year reminds me that I must give account of my stewardship. I commenced work on the coast of Labrador at Lance au Loup, where I bought a boat and prepared myself for travelling by water. But as the ice came in and prevented me from getting my boat out, I was delayed there for a few days. When the ice cleared off, with the help of some men who kindly assisted me in getting out my boat, I started with a favourable wind to go west.

At Forteau I met with warm-hearted friends who gave me a cordial welcome, but, owing to the financial crash of 1894, I did not sell many books there; I visited a sick man and endeavoured by the help of God to point him to Jesus Christ as his only refuge. As I travelled I was very kindly received by the people of all classes, and was glad to hear that books I had sold on former visits were highly appreciated. One man said to me, "I bought a book from you three years ago for thirty cents, and if I could not get another like it I would not give it for ten dollars." In most places the people bought a good number of books, and some gave me the names of books they would like to have, and told me if I came next year to bring them if I could. Others who could not purchase when I was going west, told me to call and see them when I came back.

I travelled west as far as Harrington Harbour, where I sold a good number of books. I stayed there on Sunday and conducted service, and felt it good to be there. Leaving Harrington Harbour I travelled eastward, calling at almost every harbour, and especially places I did not visit when I was going west. At one place a very old man asked me to give him a few tracts or a small book as he had no means to purchase any. Taking down from the shelf a small book that I gave him last year, he said, "This is a good book, sir," as I looked at it I saw it was "God's way of peace." I asked him if he had read it

many times, and putting his hand to his breast he said, "I have it all here, sir," I gave him a small book and a few tracts, for which he was very thankful. As I heard that a Roman Catholic family, which I did not visit last year, wanted to get a new stock of books, I went to see them, they bought two dollars and sixty cents worth. At another place a man asked me if I had a book called "The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life," he said, "I read one you sold here last year and it was meat and drink to my soul." I was very glad to have it for him. Another said, "I shall never forget you, sir." I asked him how that was, he said, "You were the last man that prayed with my wife and pointed her to Jesus before she died."

As I travelled north, I found the people living on the Labrador coast very poor. At Square Islands where I sold fourteen dollars' worth of books last year I could not sell any this year. At many places all I could do was to give them tracts or small books as they had no means to purchase any. It may be thought by many that there was a good codfishery this season, and so it was with them that had traps; but the greater part of the people living on the Labrador coast fish with hand lines, therefore this season has been the worst for many years.

At Indian Tickle I was delayed for a few days by stormy weather. On Sunday morning a man came to me to know if I could go to Sand Hill Bay to bury a woman. I started on Monday morning, but as the wind was blowing from the west I had to land at Sand Hill Tickle and walk a distance of three miles to the house of mourning. On reaching the house I found the woman had left a baby two days old. We buried the remains of a good wife and mother. I was very glad to hear that the young woman who was to take care of her younger brothers and sisters was trying to live a Christian life. She was converted two years ago, when I was at Sand Hill Tickle, and was still trusting in Jesus Christ as her all-sufficient Saviour. At Cape North I found several families that had removed from Sandwich Bay for codfishing during the summer months. One woman said to me, "I was very sorry last year when I heard that you had to go home sick before reaching us." She bought three dollars worth of books, and others that could purchase supplied themselves with books. As I travelled around Sandwich Bay, I found families very poor. I met the Rev. W. C. Chards, who had been doing missionary work on the Labrador coast during the past summer. He told me he had travelled in Groswater Bay, and had never seen so much poverty as he met with there. As he supplied all with a Bible that he found in need, and it was most all Bibles I had on hand, and late in the season, I did not go any farther north than Sandwich Bay this year.

There is still a great need of colportage work being carried on in Labrador, and I may say that there is no place that needs it much more. I will just mention a few incidents. In one place, where I visited five families, one man said: "I have been living here for sixteen years, and I have not heard a sermon preached here on the Sabbath in that time." Another said: "I am glad you came in here, sir, as all the books I had I have read over and over." Another said: "I would like to get a new stock of books every year, so that I might have something good to read on Sundays." Perhaps very few know the hardships and dangers a colporteur has to undergo travelling the Labrador coast. Yet when I see people so glad to get a good book, or a few tracts, I am willing to bear the toil. Although my sales have been very small this year, yet I am glad to say God has blessed my work. Sinners have been saved, and others have been cheered and comforted.

I trust that those who have the means will help on this good work, so that in the great day when God will reward every man according to that he hath done, it may be said to us, "inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

NEW BRUNSWICK AND QUEBEC.

General Summary of Colportage in the Province of New Brunswick and portions of the Province of Quebec, including Extracts from Colporteurs' Reports.

DURING the year 1895 four men were employed, whose united services equalled that of one man for about eighteen months. They travelled 4603 miles. They sold books and Bibles in value \$1272.49. They granted \$83.29. 71 public meetings were held. There were found 10 families who were destitute of all religious books except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible 5 were found. To the homes of Roman Catholics 169 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching 53 families were found. In 1063 families there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayer was offered. The whole number of family visits paid was 5216.

REPORT OF JOHN H. ASHFORD.

During the year 1895 I labored for the B. A. B. and T. Society seven months. I have sold \$724.58 worth of books, including 502 Bibles, 248 Testaments, and have given away books and tracts to the amount of \$30.42. I have travelled 1810 miles. I have prayed and conversed with 654 families; visited 2039 families, among whom were 91 Roman Catholic families—and among them I have sold some books. I had the pleasure of placing in the hands of six persons copies of the Scriptures in whose homes there were no Bibles, and while dealing with those persons I realized what a work the Society was doing. If it were not for the colporteurs these homes would still be in darkness.

I helped to supply six Sabbath Schools with libraries. Have held 31 religious meetings. While so employed had much pleasure in the good attention given, and still greater when, at the close, different persons stepped forward and told me they had been strengthened on the way heavenward.

I have met with the kindest treatment from ministers of all denominations, and believe, as far as lay in their power they have assisted me. I have had much hospitality shown me, being an entire stranger, while travelling. The expenses have been pretty high, still, I believe when they become better acquainted with me and the interests of the Society, the amount will be lessened.

I feel already the counties northward—Gloucester and Restigouche—to be home territory, and trust that in the present year the Master will bless my services there.

REPORT OF H. S. LEARD.

During the past year I have been engaged in the Society's service only five months and fourteen days. In that time I travelled 983 miles; made 1051 visits; distributing by sales and grants to the value of \$248.89 worth of books and tracts, including 230 Bibles and Testaments. My field of labor was York and Carlton counties.

The extreme scarcity of money has made my sales very small, but the desire to obtain books is the same as ever. Very many who buy do so not only for the benefit they themselves receive, but for the good they may do in lending books to others.

BIBLE DESTITUTION.

I found four Protestant families without a Bible, and supplied them.

Sometimes when I arrive at a house it is near meal time. I am asked to put up my horse and stay for dinner. I am often asked when leaving a house to call again, and some will say: "I like good books. I wish I had money to buy."

Rev. Mr. Lewis of Carlton Co., who had been at this work for three years, said to me: "God bless you. You are doing a good work."

I would take this opportunity to thank each and all who have contributed to my wants, or in any way assisted me in my work. May the Lord supply their wants, according to His riches in Glory in Christ Jesus.

REPORT OF WM. ROBERTSON.

The first part of the year I laboured in the northern part of Kent County, where I met with very poor success. I went among some lumber camps. The men received me very kindly. They had nothing to read and were pleased to get some reading matter. I hope my visit may have resulted in good. The remainder of the winter, when out I laboured in the same county. Visited a number of families. Quite a few Roman Catholics bought books. I left tracts with some of them. I got a few to buy copies of Pilgrims Progress. I visited a number of families where no colporteur had ever been. Some of them were destitute of all religious literature. They had no money. I also visited some who could afford to buy a Bible, and would not. I did not give them one. I do not know whether I did right or not. I think I will leave some with a good Christian lady who goes to visit them. They may buy from her.

I visited Queen's and Sunbury Counties. The first time I was there I did not do much selling, but I went to out-of-the-way places, where there had never been a colporteur. They received me kindly, and, to my joy, I had the pleasure of witnessing some entering into full salvation. I visited an invalid lady who has lain on her back for five years, and will to the end of her days here. I conversed with her most of an afternoon, and well into the night, and to my joy, when I entered her room next morning, she had the most blessed assurance of full salvation.

I met with some success and some discouragements in Kent County. Many seem very indifferent to religious literature, and think they have all they need. The second time I went to Queens County there was a great change in the people. Mr. McKay, the evangelist, had been there, labouring with Rev. Mr. Clark, Presbyterian, and Rev. J. N. Parker, Methodist. Their labours were crowned with great success. They did a glorious work for the Lord. One could

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NEWFOUNDLAND.

General Summary of Colportage in Newfoundland, with Extracts from Colporteurs' Reports.

DURING the year 1895, three men were employed, whose united services equalled that of one man for twenty months. They travelled 1384 miles. They sold books and Bibles to the value of \$1553.38. They granted \$156.57 worth. 179 public meetings were held. There were found 75 families who were destitute of all religious books except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible there were found 19. To the homes of Roman Catholics 28 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching, 34 families were found. In 1631 families there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayers were offered. The whole number of visits paid was 4658.

REPORT OF GEORGE ALLEN.

During the year just closed, I have worked eight months for the Society. Sold books to the value of \$729.86. Free distribution amounted in value to \$89.30. Sold 180 Bibles and 140 Testaments. Travelled 500 miles. I spent five months at Notre Dame Bay, two months at Bonavista Bay, and one month in Trinity Bay. Called at 40 different settlements. Made 1527 family visits. Either prayed or talked on personal religion in 1127 homes. Called at three different harbours of ten and twelve families, where no public religious services were held. Visited 40 Roman Catholic families. Held or took part in 100 religious meetings. Found 50 families without religious reading matter. Found 9 families without a Bible.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

I have visited ten different Sabbath schools. In most places I have given a fifteen or twenty minute address, in every case with marked attention by those present. There are some three or more places where Sabbath schools should be started, but so many of the elder people brought up in little out of the way places are not able to read, and cannot undertake Sabbath school work. All the large schools are supplied with libraries.

TRACTS.

There is always an inquiry for tracts. Some persons will buy a packet of tracts instead of a book. Their simplicity is better adapted to them. They often ask, "Have you any tracts, I do love the tracts."

There are good results from reading the Society's books. One person said: "Sir, I am glad I bought them. They were very nice books. I have read and re-read them until I have them in memory." Another, to whom I had given a little book, said: "Sir, I thank God and you that you gave me that little book last year. I was blind and ignorant, and that little book showed the love of God to me, a guilty sinner. My heart was melted, I sought the Lord, and found His love to my soul, praise His name." Again, a woman took down a book from the shelf, saying, "I bought this of you last year; you told me I would not regret buying it. That led me to buy it. It is called 'Bible Promises.' Sir, I love to read it; I cannot help reading it. The promises of God mean more to me than ever they did. I have learned a great deal about the promises." Another said: "I want a book like you sold my sister last year. Before I read that book, I was entangled in doubt; now I am a free man in the Lord."

In one of the remote places that I visited four years ago, I called at a certain house. I was hardly seated when she began to say,—“You are the man I bought the book of four years ago, and a good thing for me that I bought it. At first it made me feel miserable, but I knew it was the truth, and I could not get clear of it. It haunted my guilty conscience. I could find no peace until I sought the Lord, and He spoke peace to my soul. I know the blood of Jesus has washed my sins away.”

Clergymen have enquired after the sale of books among their flock, have invited their people from their pulpits to purchase books, and have given me encouragement in my work.

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HOSPITALITY.

I here tender my warmest thanks to the kind friends who have given me a night's lodging, or have kept me a day or a week without charge, as in the case of Mr. James Tiller, of Westville, who would only take one dollar for a week's board; also Capt. G. Barbour, of Newtown.

REPORT OF W. J. RICHARDS.

During the year 1895, I have laboured for the Society eight months and twelve days. In that time I have travelled 678 miles; sold \$653.00 worth of Bibles and other books; made grants to the amount of \$54.72. Conducted, or took part in forty public meetings; found five families destitute of the Bible; and found two families who neglect evangelical preaching. Visited 233 Roman Catholic families; spoke on personal religion or prayed with 249 families. Total number of families visited, 2667.

FIELD OF LABOUR.

My field of labour this year has been chiefly on the west coast of Newfoundland, from Sandy Point in St. George's Bay, to Burin, in Placentia Bay. Although my sales this year have not been so good as in other years, yet I am glad to be able to say that it is not for want of a willingness on the people's part to buy; but owing to our financial difficulties, and also to the failure of the fisheries on this part of the Newfoundland coast, many that have been able and willing to buy in the past, are now scarcely able to get food and raiment. I have never found money so scarce since I commenced to travel as a colporteur. I often wish that the Society could afford to give away more than we do, for although our grants are so large, it is but very little compared with the need of good reading matter in the many homes of these poor people, scattered along in the numerous coves on the west coast. May God put it into the hearts of those who can give to do all they can to help on the great work of the B. A. B. and T. Society, and they will prove the truth of these words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Never have our best efforts been more needed than at the present time. Where books are most needed there is but very little money to buy, but this does not lessen the great need of colporteur work. In many of these homes we are met with such words as, "God bless you, sir, we are very glad you came to see us, but we are sorry that we can't buy from you this year; we have no money. I called on one family this year who always bought books from me whenever I called to see them. I met the old lady at the door. She took me by the hand and, smiling,

said, "Are we yet alive to see each other's face. You must come in, sir, but I am very sorry that we can't buy any books this year, but we will have a word of prayer together. They were very beautiful books we had from you last year." After having had prayers and a little friendly talk, I gave them a few nice tracts. And on a little further I met a friend of the Society who generally bought several dollars worth of books from me. He said: "We are very glad to see you again. Times are very poor here now, but we must try to take a dollar's worth from you to help on the cause. We need the books, too, but we can't afford to buy more now, but you will stay now and take dinner with us." I thanked him for his kind offer, and stayed with them, as it was just about dinner time. I have had the pleasure of visiting many sick persons and supplying them with good good books and tracts. I visited one poor woman that was dying of consumption. She had been a professing Christian for a long time, but was very full of doubts and fears. I gave her a book, "God's way of peace" After talking and praying with her, she could praise God that He had taken her fears all away. She said she would be glad to have some one like me to come in to see her every day. I told her that God would be with her, and would keep her to the end if she put her whole trust in Him. I heard a short time after that she died very happy in the Lord.

I visit and sell books to people of all denominations. Our Roman Catholic friends many times buy a Testament and other good books from me, and everywhere I go I meet with kindness. There are many that do what they can to help me in my work. I take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to all who have in any way assisted me in the work. May God bless and abundantly reward them.

NOVA SCOTIA.

General Summary of Colportage in the Province of Nova Scotia, with Extracts from Colporteurs' Reports.

DURING the year 1895 four men were employed, whose united services equalled that of one man for twenty-six months. They travelled 4605 miles. They sold books and Bibles to the value of \$2019.69. They granted \$139.12 worth. 112 public meetings were held. There were found 11 families destitute of all religious books except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible there were found 10. To the homes of Roman Catholics 42 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching, 14 families

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REPORT OF A. R. McQUEEN.

In the year just closed, I labored for the Society 8 months and 27 days; travelled 1579 miles; held or took part in 75 religious meetings; conversed with 1047 families on personal religion; made 2844 visits; gave away in free distribution books and tracts to the value of \$40.26; sold 573 Bibles and 463 Testaments, together with a large number of various religious books, making a total value of \$780.75.

FIELD.

My field of labor, Pictou County, extends from east to west, a distance of about 80 miles, and from north to south about 60. The difficulties of travelling here may not be as great as in some other counties of this province. Though an old county, there are many remote settlements, and some newly started in the forests that are anything but easy of access, but the trouble getting to such places is more than repaid by the satisfaction of knowing that a spiritual need is supplied, and some one made happy through the good books or tracts left in their homes.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In most of the country districts Sunday-schools are closed during the winter months, and re-opened about the first of May. From that date till closed good attendance is secured, lively interest taken in the work, and commendable efforts made to procure for the schools good libraries. In this connection the Society proves a great blessing in supplying carefully selected books at such cheap rates as to bring them within the reach of even the poorest sections. During the year, I supplied over 500 volumes to Sunday-schools, which were highly satisfactory, both as to subject matter and price. I may remark here that, for the last two years, I did less in this line than in former years. I found that as people were made more acquainted with the Society's work, and the inducements offered in the way of good books, more of my time would be saved in getting parties wishing for libraries to deal directly with the Depository. The time thus saved enabling me to cover more ground and increase the number of house to house visits. This accounts for my not supplying as large a number of libraries as hitherto.

TRACTS.

I must emphasize the value of tracts in my work. They are freely given, and prove a good introduction to the sale of a book.

Few will refuse them ; the majority will gladly take them ; and many eagerly ask for them. They are read with interest by old and young, and in many instances have they been blessed as the means of "turning a sinner from the error of his way," and "saving a soul from death."

NEED OF COLPORTAGE.

Colportage is needed because it is an agency for good, and the world to-day needs all the influences that can be brought to bear on it in this direction. It is non-denominational in character, knowing no creed or sect, and thus better fitted to reach all classes, standing on the broad platform of loyalty to Christ. It is a service that should appeal to every Christian heart ; its importance cannot be over-estimated and should be liberally sustained. Our interest as Christians demands that God's Word should be circulated everywhere,—in the busy trade centres as well as in the lonely backwoods cottage. If left to themselves, many would go without Bibles or any religious book. It is our duty then to help these people to better things, so that they, in their turn, may help others, and in this way religion will everywhere abound. We are our "brother's keeper," and the strong must help the weak, "bearing one another's burdens," and thus fulfilling the law of Christ. Results call for its continued support. Year after year some are helped to a higher and nobler life through its agency, a tract proving a "savor of life unto life" to some, while the reading of a good book, left in the homes, has stimulated others to greater effort and warmer zeal in the cause of Christ.

TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF COLPORTAGE.

Rev. Dr. MacLeod, of Thorburn, N. S., says :— "Your Society has left a noble record behind during the past quarter century in Pictou County. It has done much in circulating God's Word and pure evangelical literature ; it has supplied many Sunday-school libraries, and hundreds of homes, with good books ; it has given tracts and Bibles to the needy, sowing the good seed for the reaping by and by."

Rev. Thomas D. Stewart, Westville, N. S., says :— "Your Society is engaged in a good work, and a work which is bearing good fruit."

Rev. Mr. Henderson, Blue Mountain, N. S., says :— "In my opinion there exists no more useful work, even in the good old county of Pictou, than that of colportage."

Rev. R. Cummings, Westville, N. S., says :— "You have distributed a large quantity of good and wholesome literature among us, for which we are very thankful."

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Rev. J. W. Fraser, Scotsburn, N. S., says:— "I have pleasure in testifying to the benefits bestowed upon this part of the country by the action of the Book and Tract Society in circulating Holy Scriptures and other useful books."

Rev. H. R. Grant, Trenton, N. S., says:— "It gives me great pleasure to say that colporteur work is productive of much good in Trenton. Homes which otherwise would have little or no religious reading matter, are supplied, to a certain extent, by the frequent visitation of the colporteur."

CLERGYMEN.

I am indebted to all clergymen with whom my work brought me in contact for their uniform kindness and continued patronage. May they be abundantly blessed in all their labours.

THANKS.

My cordial thanks are due to all kind friends in whose homes I have been made welcome. A free night's lodging to the colporteur is so much given to the Society in extending the Kingdom of Christ, who rewards even the giving of the "cup of water" in His name.

REPORT OF JAMES GEDDES.

According to instructions, I now lay before you an outline of work done by me for your Society during the past year. I find that I have worked 8 months and 26 days; have travelled 2244 miles; have sold \$721.69 worth of books, and have granted, including discounts, to the value of \$55.32; have assisted at 42 prayer meetings and Sabbath-schools; have had religious conversation or prayer in 467 families; have called on 8 Roman Catholic families; have visited 3414 families in all. My field has been pretty extensive, reaching from Moser River, East Halifax, to Sussex, Kings County, New Brunswick, including Hants County. I worked about one month each in Cumberland, Westmoreland, and Albert Counties, and about one week in Kings, N. B. Have found and supplied eight families who were without a complete copy of the Bible; have sold about 600 Bibles and 450 Testaments. I believe the Book is being more studied and more valued as the years roll on. Truly we are a highly favoured people, the Church and the school house standing side by side in every community, and the Word of Life brought to every man's door.

REPORT OF J. C. JOHNSON.

The past year I have been at work for the Society five months and fourteen days; have travelled 1030 miles; sold books to the amount of \$499.41, and made grants to the value of \$40.12. The total number of families visited was 1830. While with 397 of these I have prayed or conversed on personal religion. In the homes visited, I have left 410 Bibles and 398 Testaments.

I have found a very great scarcity of money in my field of labour, among the poor, who would gladly have purchased books if they had had the means to do so. By such persons, tracts are very gratefully received. A lively interest is generally manifested in Christian Endeavour work throughout the county, and I am often asked for helps to the study of the lesson.

I am frequently reminded by friends, of the blessing received through the reading of the Society's books and tracts. An old man said to me, as he gave me a hearty grasp of the hand: "You gave me a tract when you were here before which I prized more highly than a dollar bill." A young lady in another district, a short time ago, reminded me of having given tracts to her mother a few days before her death, which were a great comfort to her on her dying bed. Her brother also testified to having received great benefit from tracts I had left him shortly before his death.

I feel it to be a great privilege thus to leave the Master's message sent by the Society, in the homes of the poor, the sick, the dying and the unsaved. A Presbyterian clergyman, who called on several families just after my visitation, on being shown books and tracts which I had left, said: "The colporteur is doing a greater work than we ministers are." As I revisit families from year to year, I am led more and more to appreciate their kindness. I therefore take this opportunity of expressing in the name of the Society, my gratitude for every hospitality shown me. It is an old story, which can bear being retold, that, during the past year, I have not been charged for one meal, or for a night's lodging, throughout the whole of Colchester County.

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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

General Summary of Colportage in the Province of Prince Edward Island, including Extracts from Colporteurs' Reports.

In the year 1895, two men were employed, whose united service equalled that of one man for twenty-two months. They travelled 5344 miles. They sold books and Bibles to the value of \$1110.07. They granted \$116.60 worth. 9 public meetings were held. There were found two families who were destitute of all religious books except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible there were found four. To the homes of Roman Catholics 74 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching 39 families were found. In 2574 families there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayer was offered. The whole number of family visits paid was 5057.

REPORT OF HENRY SECORD.

In the twelve months in which I have been employed, I have visited 2486 families; conversed or prayed with 1224 families; travelled 1990 miles; addressed 11 public meetings; found 13 families who habitually neglect preaching; visited 39 Roman Catholic families; found two families destitute of the Bible; disposed of by sale and grants, 395 Bibles and 691 Testaments. Sales for the year, \$628.15; grants, \$61.11.

I find my sales less than in any previous year, on account of scarcity of money, owing to the dulness of the markets. I made a short visit to Magdalen Islands. I arrived there on the 7th of August. The following day I walked twelve miles, and in the evening held a religious service in the cook-house of the fishermen, being invited to do so by a French family. The congregation was very orderly and attentive while I talked to them, as best I could, of the love of God in the gift of His Son, and the necessity of being born again. It was on Bryan Island that I made my first visit. On the following Saturday I crossed over to Groziel Island, where I remained over Sunday and held a religious service. On account of distance, and the difficulty of crossing to Bryan Island, the clergyman seldom visits them. During the winter, there is no communication of any kind.

I find the people throughout these islands glad to see the colporteur. They gave me a hearty welcome, and bought books readily when their means permitted. I scattered the tracts and

cheap books freely where they could not buy. I gave large-print Testaments to some who had been obliged to destroy their books on account of diphtheria in their families. Sunday, August 18th, I was at Grindstone Island, where I held religious services morning and evening. After the morning service, I was requested to hold a meeting in the evening. It was readily seen that the services were appreciated. The attendance was good. I conversed with some on their religious experience, and found them anxious, and so glad to be conversed with. In all the places that I held meetings, it was in the absence of their clergyman, and no other religious services would have been held at that time. Their clergyman is a zealous, hard-working young man. He was very kind, indeed, to me. He entertained me for days at his home. It speaks well for the Society that those who are so deprived of the privilege of getting books, and who appreciate religious services, have, to some extent, their want supplied by the colporteurs.

Sales were as good as could be expected. It is to be hoped that the Society will be sustained in every work that they may undertake. I did not remain on the islands as long as I had intended, on account of the windy weather making it dangerous to go to some of the neighbouring islands. I visited all of the principal places except Entry Island. To them I sent cheap books to be placed in their Sunday-school. I also left some tracts for free distribution with them. May the Lord be pleased to bless the work of our hands.

I had a very pleasant and, I trust, profitable visit to the Indians camped at West Cape, Lot 7, Prince Edward Island, where we conversed, read the Scriptures, and prayed with them. One of the Indians, while listening to the reading, said,—“Is’nt that nice.”

My prayer is that I may be found faithful, and that much good may be done in the name of the Lord. I wish to give hearty thanks to the subscribers for their continued support, and for the hospitality shown me everywhere.

REPORT OF DAVID WALKER.

In the year just ended I worked for the Society nine months and twenty-four days; travelled 3284 miles; sold \$444.61 worth of Bibles and other books; made grants of Bibles, books and tracts to the value of \$48.58; disposed of 1052 Bibles and Testaments; addressed or took part in five public meetings; and found two Protestant families without a Bible. I visited 33 families of Roman Catholics; found 26 families who habitually neglect the House of God; spoke on personal religion, or had prayer with 1333 families; made 2592 family visits; collected this year \$119.53 in donations from 277 donors. Total receipts, \$564.14.

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FIELD.

My field of labor is about sixty-five miles long and thirty-four miles in width, including King's and half of Queen's Counties. It is very gratifying to me to state that in different parts of my field many persons have been awakened to a sense of their lost condition, have forsaken their sins and have been converted. In one place this year forty-six of these persons, for the first time, commemorated at the Lord's Table the dying love of Jesus. There are some persons in every settlement who wish to purchase the Scriptures, and, thanks to the liberality of our Society, we shall not lack Bibles and Testaments and other religious literature to offer to those who desire them. I rejoice to know that in our stock of books there are so many volumes that have been blest to the conversion of thousands of souls.

Many of the people suffered severely from the failure of the crops for the past few years. This makes money scarce and prevents an increase in my sales. I trust that in a year or two most of them will recover from these very trying circumstances and that they will be more prosperous than ever. I meet with many poor people who have no money to buy books. If those persons who contribute to our Society only saw the grateful look which they give when a book is given to them, I think they would give more liberally out of their abundance.

The people of P. E. Island are a Bible-loving people. It is a book with which they will never be fully supplied. Much remains yet to be done, as there is no book that finds year after year more buyers than the Holy Scriptures, the circulation of which is the noblest mission work. Sometimes from people living in the lonely woods, I receive testimony to the value of our books, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, in leading them from the path of error and sin into the way of truth and holiness.

BIBLE DESTITUTION.

I found two Protestant families without a Bible, and I supplied them. I gave a Testament to an invalid who was for many years confined to her bed. She had only a few leaves of an old worn-out Testament. I sell far more Bibles and Testaments than I do of any other books. They are depending upon getting Bibles from me, and wait till I come. In one place I travelled thirteen miles and sold twenty-three Bibles in one day. In several houses which I visited they had only a part of a Bible to use at the time of worship. One family waited two years for me to bring them a suitable Bible, and when I visited them they bought three Bibles. The people often express their gratitude to our Society, and their approbation of its work in circulating the Word of God and good and pure literature among them. It is a pleasure to aid and be aided by these faithful followers of the Lord Jesus.

COLPORTAGE.

The work has been carried on as in the past. Besides 1052 Bibles and Testaments, thousands of tracts and other religious books have been distributed. There has been more done than any review can unfold. Our efforts in the spread of Gospel Truth in its purity and simplicity have been abundantly blessed. I sometimes sell Testaments or other books to Roman Catholics. One family who had their books destroyed by fire had to borrow a Bible until I would make my annual visit. When I went to that house they bought two Bibles from me. They then said they would return the one they had borrowed. Books are sometimes bought from me to be sent by mail across the continent to friends in British Columbia. So anxious are some people to get books from me when they have the opportunity, that some of them have travelled for miles to borrow money to buy the books which they wanted.

I feel grateful to God for what I have been enabled to do amidst trials and affliction, and I hope for greater success during the present year.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Sunday Schools are organized in most places in my field. I supplied ten Sunday Schools with books of various kinds.

KINDNESS AND HOSPITALITY.

I am welcomed to the homes of the people in my field, and hospitably entertained by very many. They often complain that I do not visit them more frequently, but many of them have not a true idea of the extent of my field of labor. I sometimes visit families who are very kind to me. This is appreciated more by me in cold and stormy weather. One friend of the Society kept myself and my horse for two nights and one cold and stormy day, and would not take any pay from me for meals and lodging. In another boarding house their charge was less to me than their regular charge. It would be very easy for me to mention many more acts of kindness with which I have been favored for my work's sake.

THANKS.

I extend my warmest thanks to all the kind friends of the Society who gave donations to me in aid of the work. Many gave unsolicited, and I know that God loves them, for He loves the cheerful giver. May the blessing of God be with them. Thanks to Ministers of the Gospel and very many others, for their continued kindness and hospitality so cheerfully given to me in my work.

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<p style="text-align: center;">Arichat.</p> <p>John Bew\$4 John McAskill 2 Cline Bosdet 1 Geo M Shaw 1 Mrs Bosdet 1 Mrs Winget Dorey 50 Colin LeLacheur 50 Mrs Wm LeLacheur 50 Mrs John Nicolle 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$11 00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Baddeck.</p> <p>A. I. Hart\$2 J. L. Bethune, M.D 1 50 Mrs Dunlap, Sr 1 Judge Tremaine 1 Donald McDonald 1 Mrs Edward McCurdy 1 Neil McDonald 1 D. F. McRae 1 Chas Peppy 1 H. P. Blanchard 1 D. McD. 50 Alex. Taylor 50 Daniel McRae 50 John McDonald 50 M. D. McAskill 50 M J. Buchanan 40 A. M. Ross 25 Mrs Lewis McLeod 25</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$14 90</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Big Glace Bay.</p> <p>Peter Macaulay\$3 John Sutherland 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$3 50</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Bridgeport.</p> <p>Mr and Mrs N. McDonald..\$2 Rev J. A. McGlashen 1 J. G. P. 1 D. J. McDonald 75</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$4 75</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Caledonia Mines.</p> <p>Rev J. F. Forbes\$1 Donald H. McKenzie 1 George Scott 1 Donald E. McDonald 1</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$4 00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cape LeRonde.</p> <p>Robert Murray\$1 Chas Latimore 1 Peter LeLacheur 75 Philip J. Mauger 50 Mrs Joseph Mauger, Sr .. 50 Philip Mauger, Sr 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$4 25</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D'Escousse.</p> <p>Wm LeVisconte\$2 Robert Clough (Lennox Ferry) 2 Mrs P. W. Gruchy 1 Miss Clough 1</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$6 00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Englishtown.</p> <p>Rev Malcolm McLeod\$1 16</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$1 16</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Glace Bay.</p> <p>D. McKeen\$10 Dr McKeen 2 W. Blakenore 2 J. R. Blackett 1 H. McArel 1 Mrs Murray 1 James Robinson 1 Geo M Jean 1 P. L. Naismith 1 Alex McPherson 1 A. D. McRae 1 John A. McLean 1 Chas Carmichael 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$23 50</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Little Bras d'Or.</p> <p>W. G. Johnston\$3 John H. Christie 2 M. McGregor 2 Mrs Mary Johnston 1 A. W. McLean 1</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$9 00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mabou.</p> <p>McGillivray Grant\$7 Walter McDonald 4 Nahum Cameron 3 Robt Frizzle (Brk VII).... 2 D. S. McDonald 2 H. Murray 2 M. MacPherson 2 D. S. McDonald, '94 2 Duncan McDonald 1 Angus Gillis 1 Donald Smith 1 Nathaniel Smith 1 Rev E. S. Bayne 1 David Smith 1 Richard Cameron 1 J. D. Cameron 1 A. McMillan 1 Mrs Wm McKeen 1 John McKeen 1 Lewis McKeen 1 J. Hunt 1 H. K. Fraser 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$37 50</p> <p style="text-align: center;">North Sydney.</p> <p>E. R. Moffatt\$10 A. C. Thompson 5 W. H. Moore 5 J. W. Ingraham 2 Rev Dr Murray 2 Mrs Murray 2 Mrs Geo Forbes 2 H. E. Moore 2 Dr McLean 1 50 Hon George H. Murray.. 1 D. D. McKenzie 1 Geo H. Dobson 1 Joseph Salter 1 C. G. Buchanan 1 W. Horne 1</p>
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Wm Robertson	50
Mrs Robert Ferguson	40
Mrs Alex Kerr	25
Angus Branch	25
Friend	25
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Blacklands.

Dr MacMillan	\$1 00
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Campbelton.

John Ferguson	\$2
C. Little	2
Angus McKenzie	2
Rev A. F. Carr	1
A. E. Alexander	1
A. G. Adams	1
A. F. Chamberlain	1
J. Mair	1
Archibald F. Ferguson	1
A. McG. McDonald	1
D. J. Bruce	1
B. Fairry	1
Wm Glover	1
J. P. Mowat	1
J. Cantley	1
W. A. Mott	1
H. F. McLatchy	1
E. Price	1
D. C. Firth	1
Adam Duncan	1
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John Cameron	1
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W. Kennedy	1
Walter Appleton	1
James Paterson	1
Wm Rennels	1
John McAlister	1
Richard Parker	1
Wm Andrew	1
John Andrew	1
E. W. Lewis	1
T. W. Brown	1
Mrs Wm Ferguson	75
Miss C. McBeath	65
Peter McLean	50
S. D. Nixon	50
M. Connacher	50
Thos Kerr	50
E. R. Veits	50
Lizzie M. Godfrey	50
James H. Moores	50
Mrs James Gerrard	50
Miss S. Doherty	50
Miss Barnes	50
Friend	40
Mrs Thos Connacher	30
Miss S. Glover	25
Chas Murray	25
C. B. Champion	25
Cash	15
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Charlo.

D. Macmillan	\$2
P. Hamilton	1
Mrs R. Henderson	65
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Chatham.

Hon J. B. Snowball	\$2
F. O. Petterson	2
D. Ferguson	2
Rev George Steel	50
Rev J. McCoy	1
J. D. B. F. Mackenzie	1
E. W. Porter	1
W. S. Loggie	1
A. A. Anderson	1
Mrs Hugh Marquis	1
Mrs F. J. Letson	1
Mrs J. McNaught	1
Alex Fraser	1
Dr J. B. Benson	1
R. Hocken	1
T. H. Fountain	1
E. Johnson	1
D. P. MacLachlan	1
James Pitt	85
D. W. Ward	50
James Nichol	50
S. U. McCully	50
Alex McKinnon	50
W. B. Howard	50
Mrs Robert Loggie	50
Dr G. J. Sproull	50
Wm Anderson	50
A. J. Loggie	50
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Dalhousie.

Wm Currie	\$2
George Haddow	2
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James A. Stewart	1
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George Miller	1
Miss Alexander	1
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A. G. Ferguson	1
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Rev. George Fisher	1
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Joseph Windsor	1
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Alex Chisholm	1
Mrs A. McIntyre	1
Mrs George Moffat	1
Miss Draper	1
James Hamilton	1
Daniel McCurdy	1
Mrs L. McCurdy	1
Mrs Wm Thompson	1
Mrs John Dickie	1

Alex Cook	\$1
John M. McLeod	1
Thos G. Scott	1
Timothy Robinson	1
John McNeish	75
S. McGregor	75
Peter Stewart	60
R. Blackhall	50
N. McNairn	50
Mrs D. Currie	50
Thomas McKenzie	50
Miss Gordon	50
Thos H. Perley	50
George McEwen	50
Mrs Morris	50
Robert Reid	50
Mrs J. Henderson	25
Mrs T. McKenzie	25
Wm McNeish	25
Mrs J. E. Stewart	25
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Dorchester.

Lady Smith	\$1
M. R. Dobson	1
Wm Heckman	1
M. G. Teed	1
W. Backhouse	1
Mrs Thos Keijlor	1
D. R. Park	1
Warden Forster	1
J. A. Gray	1
G. J. Oulton	1
Walter Dobson	50
F. C. Palmer	50
Samuel Pattison	50
Mrs Reid	50
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Fredericton.

Hon A. F. Randolph	\$10
Hon David Wark	5
Lieut-Governor Fraser	3
Mrs Brydona Jack	3
Miss Wark	2
Rev W. McDonald	2
Rev F. C. Hartley	2
E. H. Wilnot	2
J. L. Inches	2
Rev Dr. McLeod	2
Mrs Thomas Logan	2
Thomas Temple	2
Mrs S. H. McKee, Jr.	1
A. H. Sanderson	1
H. D. Creed	1
H. C. Creed	1
Judge Vanwart	1
Dr B. H. Torrens	1
C. A. Sampson	1
Eben Miller	1
Mrs H. H. Pitte	1
H. M. Lottimer	1
Mrs A. W. Edgcombe	1
Walter Macfarlans	1
F. P. Thompson	1
Dr Coburn	1
Dr Southard	1
T. G. Loggie	1
Andrew Inches	1
T. C. Allen	1
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H. A. White\$3
Rev J. S. Sutherland 1
J. S. Trites 1
Rev J. Gray 1
G. L. Slipp 1
R. Howes 1
S. H. White 1
John E. Slipp 1
Gordon Mills 1
John Thompson 50
Friend 50

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Woodstock.

D. McLeod Vince\$5
George Sanderson 2
James Smith 2
C. L. Smith 1 20
Mrs G. B. Connell 1
Mrs David Munroe	..... 1
A. Henderson	..... 1
Rev. James Whiteside	..... 1
Hugh Hay & Son	..... 1
R. B. Jones	..... 1
J. McLaughlin	..... 1
A. B. Connell	..... 1
H. Paxton Baird	..... 1
Dr Sprague	..... 1
D. F. Merritt	..... 1

John McAfee	.....\$1
W. B. Nicholson	..... 1
J. M. Fripp	..... 1
Mrs J. D. Dickinson	..... 1
James Watts	..... 1
Rev C. T. Phillips	..... 1
Lindsay Bros	..... 1
W. B. Jewett	..... 1
W. Fisher	..... 1
W R. Wright	..... 75
Annie Graham	..... 50
H. L. Grant	..... 50
C. R. Watson	..... 50
E. J. Clark	..... 25

Total for New Brunswick\$722.30

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Bareneed.

A. R. Sealey	.....\$1
F. Noseworthy	..... 1

	\$2 00

Carbonear.

J. Rourke & Sons	.....\$2
W. Duff	..... 2
Simpson & Black	..... 1
Joseph Maddock	..... 1
Mrs Walter Tucker	..... 1
Dr Robert Maddock	..... 1
Dr Boyle	..... 1
James Peach	..... 50
W. L. Penny	..... 50
A. Taylor	..... 50

	\$10 50

Harbor Grace.

Paterson & Foster	.....\$6
C. & E. Godden	..... 2
Hall Brothers	..... 2
Mrs F. H. Archibald	..... 2
C. W. Ross & Co	..... 2
W. Ward	..... 1
W. J. Coates	..... 1
J. Brunlee	..... 1
Jas F. Apsey	..... 1
H. H. Parsons	..... 1
Willis Davis	..... 1
John Trapnell	..... 1
W. F. Tapp	..... 1
Claudius Watts	..... 1
Rev Geo McMillan 1
O. V. Travers 1
J. G. Munn 1
Bernard Parsons 50
A. Rutherford 50

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Musgrave Town.

Capt G Barker\$1
James Tiller 1

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St. John's.

Bowring Bros\$10
James Baird 8
Ayre & Sons 5
Goodfellow & Co 5
John Maunder 5
G. Browning & Sons	..... 4
Allan Goodridge & Sons	..... 4
Dr Burns	..... 4
John McNeil	..... 4
Hon A. M. McKay	..... 4
Hon J. J. Rogerson	..... 3
Job Brothers & Co	..... 3
James Godden	..... 2 50
Donald Morrison	..... 2
Alex Taylor	..... 2
Wm Frew	..... 2
Shirran, Pippy & Co	..... 2
David Selater	..... 2
Arthur Mews	..... 2
Robert Templeton	..... 2
John Angel	..... 2
Jas Angel & Co	..... 2
Nicholas Cousins	..... 2
Colin Campbell	..... 2
J. O. Fraser	..... 2
R. K. Lishop	..... 2
Dicks & Co	..... 2
C. Macpherson	..... 2
Geo Knowling	..... 2
Alex Rooney	..... 2
Thos Winter	..... 2
Richard Neyle	..... 2
Capt Green	..... 2
Hon Jas Pitts	..... 2
John Cowan	..... 2
John Woods & Son	..... 2
D. M. Browning	..... 2
M. Thorburn	..... 2
Alex Scott 2
Dr Hallett 1 50
F. Smallwood 1
Geo F. Hayward 1
Jackson & Co 1
A. J. W. McNelly 1
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Friend 1
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Hugh Baird\$1
John Clarke 1
J. R. Stewart 1
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W. F. Parsons 1
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Mark Chaplin 1
Walter Clouston 1
Wm Clouston 1
D. Baird 1
E. G. Hunter 1
James Bryden 1
W. J. Martin	..... 1
Joseph Roper	..... 1
J. Adrian	..... 1
Sidney Woods 1
Walter S. March 1
John T. Gillard 1
Mrs Richards 1
C. S. Pinesent 1
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Robt Watson 1
F. C. Wills 1
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Jas L. Mews 1
Thos Courtenay 1
S. J. Tucker 1
A. G. Dove 1
E. C. Watson 1
N. Ohman 1
John B. Ayre 1
T. J. Duley	..... 1
Rev Dr Harvey	..... 1
A. Hiscock 1
W. W. Watson 1
J. E. Steer 1
Z. Cox 1
A. W. Martin 1
Allan Stark 1
Capt Diamond 1

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J. A. Turnbull	5
Adam Burns	5
Miller Bros	5
George E. Boak & Co	5
Boak & Bennett	5
Thomas Ritchie	5
Rev John Macmillan	5
Rev Thomas Fowler	4
S. M. Brookfield	4
H. H. Bell	4
Wm Robertson	4
In loving memory of A. N. Archibald	4
H. A. Flemming	3
Charles Archibald	3
S. Waddell	3
Mrs C. F. DeWolfe	3
John S. Smith	3
Mrs Howe	3
Miss Mott	2 50
Miss Bessie Mott	2 50
Thomas Duncanson	2 50
J. H. Austin	2 50
Miss Creighton	2
A. G. Cunningham	2
Prof McDonald	2
S. H. Black	2
W. J. Coleman '94	2
W. J. Coleman	2
W. T. Braine	2
Mahon Bros	2
W. H. Wiswell	2
P. Thompson	2
Sheriff Archibald	2
J. W. Gorham	2
Rev J. S. Black	2
S. O. Hogg	2
John Y. Payzant	2
Rev Robt Laing	2
Robert Baxter	2
A. J. Bell	2
Clayton & Sons	2
Dr Wickwire	2
Rev Dr Pollok	2
A. Wilson	2
Rev A. C. Borden	2
G. Stairs	2
Rev P. M. Morrison	2
M. O. Crowell	2
M. H. Richey	2
Mrs M. J. McCurdy	2
Prof Falconer	2
R. W. Fraser	2
Rev H. H. MacPherson	2
L. A. B.	2
Edward Marshall	1
Isaac Creighton	1
E. W. Crease	1
William Dunbar	1
A Friend	1
Capt Hunter	1
W. D. Harrington	1
G. S. Campbell	1
Dr A. H. McKay	1
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Austen Bros	1
G. E. Faulkner	1
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A. Stephen	1
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Mrs Dr Currie	1
W. L. Tuttle	1
Hon C. E. Church	1
James Sutherland	1
B. Swenerton	1
W. H. Johnson	1
Miss Hosterman	1
Warren B. Kellogg	1
Mrs J. H. Thorne	1
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Hantsport.

E. Churchill & Sons	50
Capt McCulloch	2
D. Chisholm	1
J. E. Newcombe	1
W. S. Whitman	1
Capt Charles Laurence	50
Mrs Nelson	50
Mrs Rathburn	25
A Friend	25

Hopewell.

J. P. McLennan	2
A. F. Grant	2
Rev W. McNicholl	2
Dr McDonald	1
Mrs Hugh Gray	1
J. J. Maclean	1
Mrs Thomas Grant	50

Kentville.

Mrs Blanchard	2
Rev W. P. Beggs	1
William Grierson	1
R. S. Sutherland	1
Angus N. McLeod	1
Mrs N. B. Calkin	1
M. G. DeWolfe	1
S. S. Strong	50
A. McInnis	25
F. W. Chipman	25
T. P. Calkin	25

Kingsport.

Rev A. C. McColl	50
Isaac Cox	25
A Friend	5

Liverpool.

J. H. Dunlap	1
H. H. Whitmore	50
J. H. Fraser	50
C. F. Wright	30
C. H. Whitman	25

Logan's Tannery.

Collected by Miss Nellie and
Master Albert Logan and
Miss Sadie Histop.

John Logan	1
James Campbell	30
Mrs John McDonald	30
John D. Stewart	25
John W. Gourley	25
Peter Stewart	25
James Dunlop	25
Roach Langille	25
Peter McIsaac	25
Henry Myers	25
Angus A. McDonald	25
Angus F. McDonald	25
William Blackie	25
Martin Cameron	25
William Sutherland	25
James W. Morrison	25
Ernest Gullens	25
James Baillie	25
John Baillie	25
William Baillie	25
John Bedford	25
Miss Annie Murray	25
Henry Hogg	25
Albert E. Jollotta	25
Duncan Morrison	25
W. H. Sullivan	25
George Bickers	25
Miss Nancy M. Patriquin	25
Master Willie McKay	25
Thomas O'Brien	25
Mrs Robert McDonald	25
Theodore Grant	25
William Leithhead	25
Mrs John Grant	25
Mrs Peter McInnis	25
Miss Minnie Grant	25
Miss Mary Campbell	25
Mrs Lauchlin McInnis	25
Alexander McKay	25
Master Albert Logan	25
Master Wilfred Logan	25
Mrs George Gunn	25
Mrs Daniel McKay	25
Angus McBeth	15
Mrs Robert Fullerton	10
Mrs Finlay McIntosh	10

Lunenburg.

Judge Chesley	2
C. S. Morash	2
J. A. Hirtle	1
P. H. Ross	1
J. Joseph Rudolf	1
J. Rudolf	1
Dr J. N. Mack	1
O. A. Cossman	1
J. J. McLachlan	1
A. J. Wolf	1
A. E. Morash	1
Sheriff Creighton	1
Miss Duff	1
David Smith	1
D. M. Owen	1

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J. M. Baillie\$1
Grant Bros 1
T. J. Reid 1
John McIntosh, jr 1
Mrs J. Clish 1
John B. Mackay 1
B. D. Rogers	..... 1
Rev H. R. Grant	..... 1
John Fraser	..... 1
J. F. Falconer	..... 1
Robert Keith	..... 1
A. P. Willis	..... 1
W. S. Fraser	..... 50
A. B. Philip	..... 50
Miss May Rogers	..... 50
W. C. Sutherland	..... 50
George McIntosh 50
J. K. Fraser 50
A. M. Inglis 50
J. B. Murray 50
Miss Bella McIntosh 25
A Friend 18

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Stewiacke (Lower.)

Rev Alexander Cameron\$2
Rev F. S. Coffin 2
Alfred Dickie 1 50
G. O. Forbes 50
W. J. Fisher 50
Charles Fulton 50
F. J. Logan 50
A. D. Fulton 25

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Stewiacke (Middle.)

George Campbell\$1
S. F. Creelman 1
Hugh Dunlap 1
Mrs J. T. Dunlap 1
Rev C. McKinnon	..... 1
John Dickie	..... 50
J. G. Rutherford 50
Robert Putnam 25
Mrs Bates 25
Mrs R. Putnam 25
Elizabeth Taylor 25
Cash 15

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Stewiacke (Upper.)

Edwin Dickie\$2
William Graham (Southvale) 1
Mrs Harriet Dickie 1
Robert Gammell 1
George Fulton 1
Dr Cox 1
J. S. Tupper 1

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Stewiacke, (South Branch.)

J. C. Johnson\$1
William Dunlap 50
James Dunlap 25

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Tatamagouche.

Mrs Spinney\$2 25
John Clark 2
George Clark 2
Rev Dr Sedgwick 2
Dr Roach	..... 2
J. W. Cassidy	..... 2
A. W. Macdonald	..... 1 50
Dr Johnson	..... 1 25
Mrs Blackwood	..... 1
D. Chambers	..... 1
D. Malcolm	..... 1
E. C. McLellan	..... 1
D. Nelson	..... 75
Mrs James Ramsey	..... 50
A. C. Miller	..... 50
J. Oliver 50
Mrs James McKeen 50
Mrs J. W. Keat 30
C. K. McLellan 30
Miss Purvis 25

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Truro.

J. D. Mackay\$3
William Cummings & Sons 2
W. D. McCallum 2
H. McKenzie 2
Israel Longworth 2
J. F. Crowe 1 25
Rev Thomas Cumming 1
Rev A. L. Gergie 1
C. Stanfield 1
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Mrs C. B. Archibald 1
S. J. Waddell 1
E. A. Smith 1
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Senator McKay 1
Dr. D. H. Muir 1
John Chisholm 1
Rev Dr Heartz 1
M. Dickie 1
Dr Langille 1
Capt Murray	..... 1
H. Hyde	..... 1
W. MacCully	..... 1
Dr W. S. Muir	..... 1
R. J. Turner	..... 1
Alexander Miller	..... 1
Mrs D. Gunn	..... 1
Mrs Yorston	..... 1
E. M. Fulton	..... 1
L. B. Fulton	..... 1
William Archibald	..... 1
J. J. Snook	..... 1
P. McG. Archibald	..... 1
Mrs Davidson	..... 1
W. H. Beck	..... 1
H. L. Atkins	..... 1
C. A. Christie	..... 1
L. L. Boomer	..... 1
James Burrows	..... 1
A. A. Fisher	..... 1
G. B. Pippy	..... 1
J. L. Lane	..... 1

John R. Patton 50
C. M. Dawson 50
S. H. Tupper 50
J. B. Dornan 25
H. McGregor 25
Capt McLellan 25

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Wallace.

Hon. Alex. Macfarlane\$5
Henderson Bros 2
J. W. Morris 1
Rev Samuel Boyd 1
B. S. Seaman	..... 1
James Drysdale	..... 1
Rev H. B. McKay	..... 1
James D. Henderson	..... 1
L. H. Betts 1
Capt F. K. Grant 1
C. W. Morris 50
T. B. Morris 50
Robert Nelson 50
J. L. McKim 50

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Westville.

R. Macdougald\$5
Alex Graham 2
J. W. Macdougald 2
G. E. Munro 2
James Maxwell 2
Alexander Robertson	..... 2
D. McGregor	..... 1 50
Mrs G. McKay	..... 1
James McLeod	..... 1
J. D. McKean	..... 1
R. Fraser	..... 1
Rev R. Cumming	..... 1
Donald Hayman	..... 1
George W. McPherson	..... 1
Daniel Fraser	..... 1
A. Purvis 1
John Dryden 1
Alexander McKenzie 1
John Brown 1
George McDonald 1

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Windsor.

Mrs Wiggins\$5
Sheriff Currie 2
Dr Gossip 2
W. H. Blanchard 2
J. H. Smith 2
Walter Lawson	..... 2
Rev Henry Dickie	..... 2
R. B. Dakin	..... 1
A. P. Shand 1
E. D. Shand 1
Dr Black 1
A. E. Shaw 1
Capt Ayward 1
G. P. Payzant 1
L. W. Maxner 1
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George Redden, jr 1
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 W. M. Christie 1
 Mrs John Douglas 1
 Mrs C. A. Carver (In
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 E. C. Shand 50
 E. Ellis 50
 Friend and Nemo 75
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 J. W. Barrs \$2
 J. W. Caldwell 2
 George V. Ramd 1
 Rev. J. Hale 25
 G. Thon pson 25
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Yarmouth.

Mrs George M. Lewis \$5
 Mrs Hugh Cann 5
 Hon L. E. Baker 4
 Parker, Eakins & Co. 2
 W. L. Lovitt 2
 Edward Allen 2
 Mrs Geddes 2
 Mrs J. H. Cann 1 35
 S. H. Pelton 1
 J. H. Goudy 1
 Dr Webster 1
 Dr Harding 1
 Sheriff Guest 1
 Charles H. Bryant 1
 W. E. Perry 1
 S. A. Crowell 1

B. B. Law \$1
 F. C. Gardner 1
 W. H. Gridley 1
 J. D. Dennis 1
 Mrs John Lovitt 1
 A. Robbins 1
 Miss Adelaide Murray 1
 James Murray 1
 Frederick Miller 1
 Rev E. B. Moore 1
 Rev T. J. Dienstadt 1
 William Fraser 1
 H. & N. B. Lewis 1
 Moses & Ross 1
 Henry Burril, jr 50
 Nathan Hilton 50
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Total for Nova Scotia \$1,544.28.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Alberton.

Rev J. K. Frazier \$1
 Rev Thomas Hicks 1
 Hon B. Rogers 1
 Miss T. C. McNeill 1
 John Forsyth 1
 William Wells 1
 F. L. Rogers 1
 Matthew Laird 1
 Miss M. J. Smallman 1
 William B. Dyer 1
 Andrew Wells 1
 R. A. Clark 1
 James McNeill 1
 Thomas Crafer 65
 George Muttart 25
 John Wilkinson 25

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Burton.

Charles Wright \$0 25

Bedeque.

William Callbeck \$2
 Mrs Callbeck 1
 Miss R. K. Wright 1
 Mrs Mary Owen 1
 Dr Sutherland 1
 Mrs Jesse Schurman 1
 John Howard 1
 Major Wright 1
 Mrs Vickerson 1
 Mrs Jessie Wright 1
 Edwin Moyse 1
 Miss Sophia McCallum 70
 Nelson Inman 50
 W. H. Pethick 50
 Ellis Moyse 50
 John McCallum 50
 Mrs A. J. McCallum 50
 Miss E. A. McCallum 50
 Mrs Alexander Hooper 50
 Mrs B. Cole 50

Miss L. Montgomery 50
 Albert Bell 50
 Mrs Charles Leard 50
 Alexander Anderson 50
 Rev George Palmer 50
 Mrs Alice Henderson 50
 Thomas Moysse 50
 Irene Schurman 25
 Mrs A. L. Wright 25
 D. S. Sheppard 25
 Mrs R. Robblee 25
 Mrs James Montgomery 25
 Pansy McFarlane 25
 Frederick Wright 25
 Ethel Crawford 20
 Mrs Charles Mutart 20
 Harrison McFarlane 20
 Cash 20

Miss Matilda Clark \$1
 Herbert Simpson 1
 Mrs Alexander McNeill 50
 Miss Margaret McNeill 50
 Charles McNeill 25
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Charlottetown.

L. L. Beer \$12
 F. W. Hales 5
 J. D. McLeod 5
 H. J. Cundall 3
 William Heard 3
 Charles Palmer 2
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 T. C. James 2
 George Carter & Co 2
 W. E. Dawson 2
 John Ings 2
 W. A. Weeks 2
 R. C. Goff 2
 W. P. Colwell 2
 Phillip Large 1
 Dr Beer 1
 John McLeod & Co 1
 W. T. Huggan 1
 Dr Dawson 1
 Colonel Moore 1
 George Stanley 1
 John McPhail 1
 John McEachern 1
 W. Boyle 1
 Rev T. F. Fullerton 1
 D. A. Bruce 1
 Rev G. M. Campbell 1
 W. W. Wellner 1
 M. Wright 1
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Bloomfield.

Mrs Hugh Hunter \$1
 R. H. Craswell 1
 Clover Haywood 50

Brackley Point.

James H Gregor \$1 20
 Neil McCallum 1
 Mrs Neil Shaw 50
 Mrs James G. McCallum 50
 Mrs Alex Ma'heson 30

Carleton.

D. Morrison \$0 50

Cavendish.

Henry Robertson \$2
 Rev W. P. Archibald 1
 Alexander Laird 1

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 W. T. Huggan 1
 Dr Dawson 1
 Colonel Moore 1
 George Stanley 1
 John McPhail 1
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 W. W. Wellner 1
 M. Wright 1
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 Hon A. McMillan 1
 W. Leitch 1
 W. Robertson 1
 George E. Hughes 1
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 E. W. Taylor 1
 B. C. Prowse 1

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Cherry Valley.

John McEachern	\$1
Alexander Irving	1
William M. Irving	50
Mrs Charles Mutch	35
Mrs C. W. Judson	30
Philip F. Lane	25
Mrs T. Richards	25
Mrs William Lane	25
Mrs James Hayden	25
Mrs John Doherty	25
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Clark's Mills.

George Clark	\$1
James McMurdo	50
Mary B. Burrows	23
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Clifton.

Rev A. Stirling	\$1 25
Dr McKay	50
Edward McEwen	50
A. Campbell	50
William McKay	50
Mrs H. B. McKay	25
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Darnley.

Mrs George Thompson	\$0 50
William Pickering	50
Hugh McKay	25
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Eldon.

Rev A. McL. Sinclair	\$1
James St. C. Moore	1
Andrew Dixon	1
Dr J. F. Martin	1
D. A. McLeod	1
M. G. Anderson	1
J. Lantz	50
W. Mutch	50
Percy McLean	40
Charles J. McWilliam	35
Mrs C. McRae	35
Alexander Gillis	35
M. Biggs	25
Mrs James Nicholson	25
R. Longard	25
Miss Finlay Docherty	25
Janie Martin	25
James Nicholson	25
John E. Montgomery	25
T. F. West	25
Thomas Tweedy	25
Mrs Capt T. McRae	25
Alexander D. Ross	25
N. Laraby	25

N. A. Gillis	25
Mrs William Lamont	25
Mrs M. Martin	25
Malcolm Finlayson	25
Finlay McEachern	25
Mrs Alexander Gillis	25
William Stewart	20
Marion McDougald	20
George E. Turner	10
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Graham's Road.

George Mallet	\$0 50
William Campbell	40
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Emerald.

John Mayne	\$0 50
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Freetown.

Miss Janet Cairns	\$2
Miss Margaret Cairns	1
A Friend	1
David Rogers	1
Charles Bearisto	1
George Burns	1
Mrs R. Auld	1
David Jardine	50
Davis Schurman	50
A Friend	50
Jesse Burns	50
A. Burns	30
Jabez Arbing	25
Cash	15
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Hamilton.

James Ramsey	\$1
Miss Flora Sinclair	50
Annie and Alice Stewart	40
Alexander McKelvey	40
R. L. Easter	50
Mrs William Simpson	35
Dougald Stewart	25
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Hope River.

John Simpson	\$1
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William Mutch	\$1
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French River.

Miss Sarah Simpson	\$0 50
Charles Bernard	50
Margaret McLeod	25
William Bernard	25
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Kensington.

Gordon Glover	\$1
Mrs Dr McNeill	1
Andrew Bowness	1
Dr Darragh	1
Mrs John Hogg	75
Mrs William Hogg	50
Mrs A. B. Humphrey	50
George Brown	50
Mrs E. Morse	40
Mrs J. A. Woodside	25
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James H. Hogg	20
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Gallas Point.

Mrs Benjamin Mutch	\$1
Mrs Frank Mutch	1
Robert Mutch	50
Malcolm J. McLeod	50
Mrs John Cavanagh	30
Miss Jane Nicholson	25
Miss Annie Tweedy	25
Mrs Stewart Mutch	25
A Friend	25
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Kinross.

Laughlan Ross	\$0 50
Alexander D. McLeod	50
Donald Murchison	50
John Campbell	50
Alexander J. McLeod	40
John A. McLeod	30
Malcolm Campbell	30
Angus A. McLeod	25
Roderick McLeod	25
Murdoch W. McLeod	25
Mrs Peter Musiek	25
Donald Campbell	25
D. Ross	25
Mrs John M. McLeod	25
Mrs William McKinnon	25
Mrs James McDonald	20
J. D. Martin	20
A Friend	10
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Georgetown.

Rev W. A. Mason	\$1
J. N. Cogswell	1
Mrs J. N. Cogswell	1
Capt M. McDonald	1
Mrs Capt McLaren	1
W. W. Jenkins	50
R. K. Jenkins	50
James Easton	50
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Mrs Charles Johnson	25
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Mrs C. Montgomery	\$0 50	Friend	25	Mrs A. McEwan	25
William Campbell	50	E. P. Leslie	25	Miss Helen McEwan	25
James Montgomery	35	A Friend	25	D. A. Wedlock	25
Mrs S. Bernard	25	Dr A. A. McLellan	25	Mrs D. Sutherland	25
Mrs Kenneth McLeod	25	James McPhee	25		
William Ramsay	25	J. M. Mitchell	25		
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		Mrs D. McEwen	25		
Point Prim.		William Knight	25	Summerfield.	\$5 50
		George E. McFarlane	25	Hon Peter Sinclair	\$1
Simon Murchison	\$0 20	J McDonald	25	Thomas Mayne	50
		Peter Stewart	20		
		A Friend	10		\$1 50
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Rev E. C. Turner	\$1			B. D. S. (D.)	5
J. J. Gay & Son	1			H. Secord	5
Sarah Jones	50	Southport.	\$12 47	In memory of Daniel	
Daniel Brown	35	Rogers Farquharson	\$2	Stewart	3
Mrs Albert Boswell	25	Mrs Robert Bowyer	1	Hon William Strong	2
Mrs Samuel Lane	25	Rev Daniel McLean	1	William McMurdo	2
Maud Jones	25	A. E. Dewar	1	Albert Pickering and wife 2	
Mrs A. A. Moore	25	H. Farquharson	50	Rev R. Weddall	1
Albert Gay	25	Mrs Oliver Mason	50	Rev E. M. Dill	1
Mrs Nathaniel Gay	25	Mrs Franklin Bowyer	50	William Stewart	1
Mrs Aaron Ings	25	Mrs James Farquharson	50	Archibald McKelvy	1
W. W. Judson	25	F. E. Mason	50	William Burrows	1
Henry Wood	25	Mrs Albert Mutch	50	F. W. Strong	1
George Munroe	25	Dr Dewar	50	A. M. Wright	1
Mrs George Carver	25	George H. Stewart	50	Thomas Patterson	1
Ada M. Campbell	25	Mrs George W. Mutch	50	J. M. Clark	1
Mrs Howard Gay	25	Peter Dewar	50	Charles Strong	1
Joseph Ballum	25	Mrs H. McGregor	50	D. Gordon	1
Edward Wood	25	John McGregor, jr	50	Mrs Crabbe	1
Mrs S. F. Drake	25	Robert Stewart	50	J. A. Lord	1
George Drake	25	Mrs George McKenzie	50	S. M. Hicks	1
Reaney Jenkins	25	Mrs J. H. McKenzie	50	Mrs J. H. Bell	77
A. M. McRae	25	John Dewar	40	Mrs William Hacker	70
S-a-for-h Acorn	25	Alexander Stewart	35	John Thompson	50
Mrs Howard Gay	25	Herbert Mason	30	Calvin Leturgy	50
	\$8 05	Mrs James McCallum	30	P. H. Godkin	50
		Mrs Taunton	25	James Leard	50
		Mrs Albert Kelly	25	Dr McPhail	50
St. Peter's Bay.		Mrs James Mutch	25	Miss Jane Hogg	50
		Christopher McLean	25	J. C. Wright	50
Leestock Anderson	\$1	Charles Walker	25	Charles McNeill	50
		John Stewart	25	John Mollison	50
Sea View.		Daniel Stewart	25	Mrs John McArthur	50
		Finlay S. McPhail	25	Mrs Strong Hinton	50
Mrs R. Sutherland	\$1	Pearlie Mutch	10	W. A. Stewart	50
William A. Donald	1	Kathleen Mutch	10	Mrs L. C. Glover	50
William B. Donald	50	Jane Vickerson	10	Thomas Schuremaa	50
Benjamin Donald	25	Elizabeth Carrier	10	S. Wright	50
	\$2 75	Maude McKenzie	7	A. S. McKay	25
		Beatrice McKenzie	7	Mrs James Brehaut	25
				Mrs R. C. Glover	25
Scarletown.				George Hinton	25
Mrs John Wright	\$0 25			Thomas Johnston	25
				John Stavern	25
Souris.					
J. G. Sterns	\$2	Springton Lot, 67.	\$10 80		
Mathew & McLean	2	Donald Cameron	\$1		
Archibald Currie	1	Miss Catherine Cameron	1		
Sterns Brothers	1	Mrs Robert Haslam	50		
William Mellet	50				
William Sterns	50	Stanley.	\$2 50		
John McPhee	50	Daniel Ross	\$1		
Rev J. F. Estey	50	A. J. McLeod & Co	1		
Mrs Dr Muttart	42	Mrs H. McGee	50	Tryon.	\$43 47
John Garrett	25	John Jabez Hudson	50	Jean Morrison	\$0 25
John A. Sterns	25	John McLeod	50		
		Robert McKay	25		
		Alexander McKay	25		
				Tyne Valley.	
				D. A. Forbes	\$1
				H. A. McDonald	1
				Mrs Dr Long	50
				Mrs McLellan	25
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Vernon River Bridge.

David P. Irving\$1
Mrs George Forbes 1
Miss Sarah McRae 1
John McLeod	..... 75
Violet & Mabel Goldsmith	..... 50
William McLeod	..... 50
Mrs T. Furness, Sr	..... 50
Mrs Dr Ross	..... 41
Mrs T. Furness, Jr	..... 35

William Jenkins 25
Geo. Vaniderstine 25
A Friend 10

West Cape.

Mrs J. F. Stewart\$1
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West Point.

35 S. H. Sabine\$1
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Wilmot.

Archibald McMurdo\$1
John McMurdo 80
Mrs. Edward McMurdo 50
Mrs M. McMurdo 25
Mrs Jane McMurdo	..... 25
Mrs A. R. McMurdo	..... 25

Total for Prince Edward Island \$875.03.

QUEBEC.

Montreal.

Miss Orkney	.....\$10
R. B. Angus	.....10
Warden King	..... 8
Lady Hickson	..... 5
S' Greenshields, Son & Co.	..... 5
R. J. Tooke	..... 5
John Archibald	..... 5
Wm. Yulte	..... 5
Mrs Yulte	..... 5
Jonathan Brown	..... 5
Robin, Sadler & Haworth	..... 5
John G. Savage	..... 5
Mrs Redpath	..... 5
Rev A. J. Mowatt	..... 5
D. Morrice, Sons & Co.	..... 5
J. D.	..... 5
A. C. Lyman	..... 5
G. Hague	..... 5
Samuel Bell	..... 5
Mrs Morrison	..... 5
A. S. Ewing	..... 5
F. W. Evans	..... 5
John Mackintosh	..... 5
T. E. Vasey	..... 3
J. Paton	..... 3
E. Dowseley	..... 3
F. W. Blaiklock	..... 3
R. A. Becket	..... 3
W. B. D. (Ottawa)	..... 3
R. Turnbull	..... 2
G. Boulter	..... 2
T. W. Burdon	..... 2
Rev E. Scott	..... 2
James Tasker	..... 2
W. & F. P. Currie & Co	..... 2
George W Reed	..... 2
J. Tough	..... 2
F. Caverhill	..... 2
W. O. B.	..... 2
John Murphy & Co	..... 2
Henry Birks & Sons	..... 2
Mrs Langwill	..... 2
Mrs Macdonald	..... 2
G. A. Green	..... 2
T. J. Coristine	..... 2
Henry Morton	..... 2
H. J. Johnston	..... 2
Mrs George Rogers	..... 2
H. Montague Allen	..... 2
Archibald McGoun, Jr	..... 2
J. Cradock Simpson	..... 2

A. M. Ewing	..... 2
G. A. Grier	..... 2
J. C. Holden	..... 2
Miss Learmonth	..... 2
Rev E. I. Rexford	..... 2
Charles Gard	..... 2
Mrs James Haldane	..... 2
Mrs Thomas Cushing	..... 1
R. Burkinshaw	..... 1
H. J. M.	..... 1
T. H. Newman	..... 1
W. Cooper	..... 1
Mrs J. M. Smith	..... 1
James Gill	..... 1
J. R. Lowden	..... 1
W. H. Rosevear	..... 1
William Angus	..... 1
R. J. Latimer	..... 1
J. H. Stanton	..... 1
W. Scott	..... 1
John Fair	..... 1
James Roy	..... 1
Tees & Co	..... 1
W. J. Common	..... 1
W. S. Patteson	..... 1
D. A. McCaskill	..... 1
A. R. Oughtred	..... 1
J. B. Hutchison	..... 1
Dr Charles Ault	..... 1
A. G. Fowler	..... 1
J. J. Vipond	..... 1
A. McFee	..... 1
W. Robb	..... 1
C. E. Archibald	..... 1
J. Mc Goun	..... 1
Robert Kerr	..... 1
A. Bremner	..... 1
Mrs James Baylis	..... 1
L. K. & Co	..... 1
James Williamson	..... 1
Thomas Hiam	..... 1
Rev G. Osborne Troop	..... 1
Robert Irwin	..... 1
McBride, Harris & Co	..... 1
T. B. Macauley	..... 1
Alexander Forbes	..... 1
A. M. Featherstone	..... 1
W. L. Haldimand	..... 1
J. W. Marling	..... 1
Miss Macfarlane	..... 1
A. E. McLean	..... 1

Quebec.

Major Tapp	..... 5
G. C. Hossack	..... 5
P. R. Miller	..... 5
W. Rae	..... 3
George Alfred	..... 2
Wm. Hossack	..... 2
John H. Holt	..... 2
Dobell, Beckett & Co.	..... 2
D. H. Geggie	..... 2
G. Seifert	..... 2
W. A. Marsh	..... 2
John Ritchie	..... 2
W. McWilliam	..... 2
George Vensey	..... 2
Wm Shaw	..... 2
John Glass	..... 2
Robert Brodie	..... 2
Friend	..... 2
A. F. Hunt	..... 2
W. H. Wiggs	..... 2
John C. Thomson	..... 2
Dunn & Co.	..... 2
A. Robertson	..... 2
Geo. W. Parmelee	..... 2
T. J. Moore & Co.	..... 2
Jack Thomson	..... 1
Mrs C. B. Langlois	..... 1
Herman Young	..... 1
G. R. Moir	..... 1
W. R. Dean	..... 1
W. Brown	..... 1
H. Griffith	..... 1
Mrs A. J. Learmonth	..... 1
H. Smith	..... 1
John Darlington	..... 1
Rev Donald Tait	..... 1
H. T. Machin	..... 1
F. T. Thomas	..... 1
Mrs John Fraser	..... 1
Walter J. Ray	..... 1
R. Winfield	..... 1
David A. Ross	..... 1
Henry C. Austin	..... 1
Wm. Sutherland	..... 1
S. J. Shaw	..... 1
John McKereghan	..... 1
O. L. Richardson	..... 1
James Miller	..... 1
Robert Stanley	..... 1

Total for Quebec \$332.00.

MAGDALEN ISLANDS.

Collection, \$1 25

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS FOR 1895.

Cape Breton	\$ 321 66
Great Britain	456 12
New Brunswick	722 30
Newfoundland	209 00
Nova Scotia	1544 28
Prince Edward Island	375 03
Quebec	332 00
Magdalen Islands	1 25
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Received too late to appear in regular lists :

Rev. E. D. Millar, Yarmouth	82 00
E. Smith, Halifax	1 00

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE SOCIETY.

I give and bequeath to the "British American Book and Tract Society," instituted in Halifax, Nova Scotia, in the year 1867, the sum of Dollars, to be paid out of personal Estate to the Treasurer for the time being, whose receipt shall be a sufficient discharge for the same.

OUR BUILDING FUND.

A mortgage of \$5,000 rests upon the building occupied and owned by the Society. It is very desirable that the Society be freed from paying interest on this amount. It is an annual drain upon its resources which should be applied more directly in extending the work of Colportage.

A bequest to be applied to this particular fund would be a lasting benefit to the Society.

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BRITISH AMERICAN BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This Society shall be denominated the British American Book and Tract Society, the object of which shall be to diffuse a knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as the Redeemer of Sinners, and to promote the interests of vital godliness and sound morality, by the circulation—through Colportage and other means—of Religious Books and Tracts, calculated to receive the approbation of all Evangelical Christians.

2. Any person paying one dollar, annually, into the Treasury of this Society shall be a *member*; any person paying twenty dollars at one time shall be a *life member*.

3. The Society shall meet annually on the first Tuesday of February, when the proceedings of the foregoing year shall be reported, and a Board consisting of a President, four Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, two Auditors, and twenty Directors shall be chosen.

4. The Board of Directors shall appoint a Depository, Superintendent of Colportage and Secretary of the Society; and shall annually elect by ballot, a Publication, a Distributing and a Finance Committee, each consisting of not less than three or more than five members, the members of which three Committees with the President, Vice-Presidents and Treasurer shall constitute an Executive Committee to conduct the business of the Society. The Board shall have power to enact Bye-Laws. Thirteen members of the Board of Directors present at any meeting regularly convened, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All vacancies shall be filled as the Bye-Laws direct.

5. To promote in the highest degree the objects of the Society, the Officers and Directors shall be elected from different denominations of Christians, and shall be members in good standing in their respective Churches. The Publication Committee shall contain no two members of the same ecclesiastical connection; and no Book or Tract shall be circulated, to which any member of that Committee shall object.

6. Any Tract Society founded on the principles of this Society and annually contributing a donation to its Treasury, shall be considered auxiliary, and the President and Secretary of such auxiliary, for the time being, shall be members of this Society.

7. All meetings of the Society, the Board of Directors, and the Executive Committee shall be opened by prayer.

8. The President, or in his absence a Vice-President, or other officer first on the list in the City of Halifax, at the request of three Directors, may call special meetings of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall have power to call special meetings of the Society.

9. This Constitution shall not be altered, except at the annual meeting of the Society, and by a vote of a majority of the members present, notice of the proposed alteration having been given at the previous annual meeting; or recommended by the Executive Committee, and notice of the proposed alteration posted up in the Depository one month previous to the annual meeting, and inserted in the call for such meeting.

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BYE-LAWS.

1. The President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, shall preside at all meetings of the Society, the Board of Directors and Executive Committee. If all the said officers be absent, a chairman, *pro tem*, shall be chosen.
2. Vacancies occurring in the Publication, Finance and Distributing Committees, shall be filled from the Board of Directors, by appointment of the President.
3. The Executive Committee shall meet on the second Monday of each month. It shall be their duty to review, and approve or disapprove of the action of the Publication, Finance and Distributing Committee, commission Colporteurs, and in general do whatever may be necessary to give efficiency to the work assigned them. Three members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
4. The Publication Committee shall select from the issues of the various Tract Societies and private Publishing Houses, in Great Britain or the United States, such publications (1) as they shall deem most suitable for promoting the object of the Society, and (2) as they can procure on the most advantageous terms. With the sanction of the Executive Committee they shall publish such books, tracts, or periodicals, as they may decide on whenever it shall be considered desirable or best to do so.
5. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to devise and carry out ways and means for procuring the necessary funds for the Society's operations, fix the salaries of the Society's agents, and regulate the amount of grants.
6. The Distributing Committee shall select the most suitable men for colporteurs, locate them and regulate the distribution of grants by colporteurs and other agencies.
7. The Publication, Finance and Distributing Committee shall report monthly to the Executive Committee.
8. It shall be the duty of the Secretary, under the direction of the Executive Committee, to conduct the correspondence of the Society and of the Committees, to attend to the publication of statistics and reports, present the objects of the Society to the churches, receive contributions, give notice of meetings and keep the minutes.
As superintendent of colportage, he shall have a general oversight of the colportage work, and carry out the instructions of the committee in selecting and appointing colporteurs.
As depository he shall have charge of the Society's store and keep the necessary books of account.
9. The Treasurer shall take charge of the Society's funds, and shall pay all bills on the order of the Finance Committee. He shall report the state of the treasury to the Executive Committee at each monthly meeting.
10. At meeting of the Executive Committee the following shall be the order of business:—1. Prayer. 2. Minutes. 3. Unfinished business. 4. Reports of Committees. 5. Reports of Colporteurs. 6. Report of Secretary and Superintendent of Colportage. 7. Report of Treasurer. 8. New Business.
11. The President, or in his absence a Vice-President or other officer first on the list in the City of Halifax, at the request of three Directors, may call special meetings of the Board of Directors.
12. These Bye-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the Board of Directors on the recommendation of the Executive Committee, by a vote of a majority of the members present; a month's previous notice of the proposed alteration being given to each member of the Board.

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