

*The British American
Book and Tract Society.*

INSTITUTED 1867.



ANNUAL REPORT

FOR

1886.

DEPOSITORY:

117 GRANVILLE STREET, HALIFAX, N. S.

HALIFAX: NOVA SCOTIA PRINTING CO.

A
240
1364

OFFER TO SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS.

THE BRITISH AMERICAN BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY respectfully request all Superintendents of Sunday Schools in the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland to bring to the notice of the scholars the following offer :—

To all scholars who have not already received a prize, they will give a copy of either of the following books, published by the Religious Tract Society of London, upon certificate of their teacher that they have correctly repeated the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments :—

CHRISTIE'S OLD ORGAN By Mrs. C. Walton. Paper cover.

JESSICA'S FIRST PRAYER. By Hesba Stretton. "

HOW BESSIE KEPT THE WOLF FROM THE DOOR. By Ruth Lynn. Paper cover.

THE DAIRYMAN'S DAUGHTER. By L. Richmond. Paper cover.

List of names to be forwarded to the

British American Book and Tract Depository,
117 GRANVILLE STREET, HALIFAX,

Certified by the Teacher or Superintendent, not later than 1st November, 1887.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BRITISH AMERICAN
BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY,

For the Year ending 31st December, 1886,

ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

HELD AT

Halifax, February 1st, 1887.

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

DEPOSITORY : 117 GRANVILLE STREET,
HALIFAX, N. S.
1887.

OFFICERS FOR 1887.

President:

THOMAS A. BROWN, Esq.

Vice-Presidents:

REV. E. M. SAUNDERS, D.D., HALIFAX. REV. G. M. ARMSTRONG, St. JOHN, N. B. LE BARON BOTSFORD, Esq. M.D., " HON. S. L. SHANNON, Q.C., HALIFAX. HON. C. YOUNG, LL.D., CHARLOTTETOWN. THOS. MACLELLAN, Esq., St. JOHN, N. B. SIR HUGH HOYLES, Ex-CHIEF JUSTICE, St. John's, Nfld.	W. C. BILL, Esq., BRANTOWN, N. S. ROBT. S. MUNN, Esq., HARBOR GRACE, Nfld. REV. B. A. CRAWLEY, D.D., WOLFVILLE, N.S. GEO. H. STARR, Esq., HALIFAX, N. S. RICH. HUTCHINSON- Esq., DOUGLASSTOWN, N. B.
---	--

Treasurer:

R. T. BRAINE, Esq.

Honorary Secretary:

REV. ROBERT MURRAY.

Auditors:

E. H. BLACK, Esq.

R. N. BECKWITH, Esq.

Directors:

JOHN S. MACLEAN, Esq., HALIFAX. REV. ROBERT MURRAY, " HON. D. McN. PARKER, M.D., " D. BLACKWOOD, Esq., " W. B. McNUTT, Esq., " REV. ALLAN SIMPSON, " REV. PRESIDENT FORREST, " JAIRUS HART, Esq., " W. H. WISWELL, Esq., " REV. J. F. AVERY, " REV. K. F. BURNS, D.D., " M. H. RICHEY, Esq., Lt.-Gov., " HOWARD PRIMROSE, Esq., PICTOU. T. W. DANIEL, Esq., St. JOHN, N. B. HON. J. J. ROGERSON, St. John's, Nfld. JAMES GOODFELLOW, Esq., " H. H. READ, Esq., M.D., HALIFAX. HON. JUDGE HENSLEY, CHARLOTTETOWN.	F. W. HALES, Esq., CHARLOTTETOWN. REV. ROBERT LAING, HALIFAX. HON. SAMUEL CREELMAN, UP. STEWIAKER. REV. J. HOGG, MONCTON, N. B. JOHN H. PARKS, Esq., St. JOHN, N. B. HON. A. R. McLELAN, RIVERSIDE, N. B. REV. D. FITZGERALD, CHARLOTTETOWN. HON. A. F. RANDOLPH, FREDERICTON, N.B. WALLACE GRAHAM, Q.C., HALIFAX. W. C. DELANEY, Esq., D.D.S., " REV. H. H. McPHERSON, " REV. H. J. WINTERBOURNE, " REV. JOHN McMILLAN, B.D., " W. C. SILVER, Esq., " REV. W. BROWN, " REV. J. C. CATTANACH, " REV. CHARLES HOLE, D.D., " REV. FOSTER ALMON, "
---	--

Publication Committee:

REV. ROBERT MURRAY.
REV. CHARLES HOLE, D. D.

REV. J. F. AVERY.
HON. S. L. SHANNON.

Finance Committee:

D. BLACKWOOD, Esq.
JAIRUS HART, Esq.

DR. DELANEY.
J. S. MACLEAN, Esq.
REV. PRESIDENT FORREST.

Distributing (Colportage) Committee:

REV. A. SIMPSON.
REV. E. M. SAUNDERS, D.D.

W. H. WISWELL, Esq.
REV. H. H. McPHERSON.
W. B. McNUTT, Esq.

BRITIS

1. T
Tract Soc
Lord Jesu
of vital g
and other
approbati

1. A
Society sh
shall be a

3. T
when the
consisting
and twent

4. T
Colportag
a Publica
not less th
Committee
an Execut
shall have
Directors
quorum fo
Bye-Laws

5. T
Officers a
Christians
Churches,
same eccle
which any

6. A
annually
and the P
be membe

7. A
Committee

8. T
first on th
call speci
shall have

9. T
of the Soc
of the pro
or recom
alteration
meeting,

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.

1. 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 this 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.

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 Committees, 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 Financial 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 Committees shall report monthly to the Executive Committees.

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 depositary 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 meetings of the Executive Committees 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.

The
Tract S
Tuesday
In th
SAUNDE
led by I
from the
of ill-he
in the N
stated h
though
this mee
he could
The
REV.
"Tha
direction
He s
and civi
diffused
Other in
Secular
how sol
to it th
Saviour
spirit.
operatio
publicat
well, by
of the w

ANNUAL MEETING.

- The Annual Meeting of the British American Book and Tract Society was held in the Y. M. C. A. Class Room on Tuesday, February 1st, 1887, at 4 P. M.

In the absence of the President, through illness, REV. DR. SAUNDERS was called to the Chair. After devotional exercises, led by REV. J. F. AVERY, the Secretary stated that a letter from the President intimating his inability to attend on account of ill-health, and concluding by wishing the Society "success in the Name of the Lord." A letter from REV. DR. BURNS stated his continued and very deep interest in the Society though absence from the city would prevent his attending this meeting. REV. H. H. MCPHERSON also intimated that he could not be present on account of illness.

The Report was read by MR. ROLAND MELLISH.

REV. DR. HOLE moved the following resolution:—

"That the report be approved and adopted and published under the direction of the Executive Committee."

He spoke of the immense service rendered to christianity and civilization by the Printing Press. The Scriptures were diffused in millions of copies and in some 300 languages. Other invaluable publications were poured out from the press. Secular education was in the ascendant. In view of all this, how solemn the obligation upon the Church of Christ to see to it that the press be consecrated to the service of the Saviour—that all literature be penetrated with the Christian spirit. He spoke of the blessed results accruing from the operations of the Bible Society and the Tract Society. Cheap publications are issued in the Old Country, and in the New as well, by the tons, and circulated among all classes. It is part of the work of this Society to elevate and purify the taste of

the people as well as to supply the right kind of reading matter. The chief aim of the Society is to diffuse the knowledge of the Redeemer. He spoke highly of the work of colportage in carrying the Bible and religious books and publications to people's doors. He concluded by referring to instances of the usefulness of the Society, and by fervently invoking upon it the blessing of God.

REV. DR. SAUNDERS called upon the Secretary to take the Chair in order that he (Dr. S.) might second the resolution. He had been closely identified with the Society since its very start, and had watched its operations with deep interest and with unflinching satisfaction. 208 years of work—over half a million family visits—who can tell the good accomplished! He knew that the most destitute localities were always selected for work. While the Society is a Tract and Book Society, at heart it is a Missionary Association. The example of Christ himself is followed in trying to reach those who are scattered and destitute. Many of the colporteurs are well able to preach and teach as occasion requires. He made special reference to the work done by the colporteurs in Newfoundland and Labrador.—The resolution was adopted.

The second resolution was moved by REV. FOSTER ALMON and was as follows:—

"The Society express their gratitude to God for the amount of work its varied agencies have been enabled to perform for the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom—especially for the extent to which colportage has been carried on, and the blessed results attending the distribution of the Gospel in the printed page, and the visits of colporteurs to destitute and neglected localities."

MR. ALMON spoke of his connection with the Society at its origin, and of having seen the work of the colporteurs in New Brunswick and elsewhere. He gave it his most cordial support. The resolution was seconded by REV. PRESIDENT FORREST who also knew the Society and was connected with it from its origin. He mentioned instances of good he had seen resulting from the work of the colporteurs.—The resolution was adopted.

The
follow :-

"The
any way o
the circula
or otherw
solicit stil
with incre

Mr.
ministry
tracts en
the Brit
industry
abounding
necessit
Christia

The
spoke o
in Halif
adopted

Mr.
the app
ensuing
meeting

The third resolution was moved by REV. J. WIER as follow:—

"The Society tender their thanks to all contributors and all who have in any way co-operated in facilitating its work, by donations, large or small, by the circulation of tracts and books, by extending hospitality to colporteurs, or otherwise. They thank donors to the Building Fund, and earnestly solicit still ampler gifts, in order that the work of the Society may go on with increased efficiency."

MR. WIER stated that the first conversion under his ministry was due to the reading of a tract. He had found tracts eminently useful in his ministry in Bermuda amongst the British sailors, and elsewhere. He spoke of the wicked industry and push with which publications of the most abominable and pernicious character are circulated, and the necessity of forestalling such diabolical agencies by pure Christian literature.

The resolution was seconded by REV. J. F. AVERY who spoke of his connection with the Society ever since his arrival in Halifax, and the good it had done.—The resolution was adopted.

MR. J. S. SMITH moved, and MR. W. C. SILVER seconded, the appointment of the Board of Directors and Officers for the ensuing year. The resolution passed unanimously. The meeting closed with the Benediction.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Our Nineteenth Annual Report, like the eighteen Reports that have preceded it, must begin with devout thanksgiving to the Lord, whose we are and whom we serve, for continued and unceasing goodness, and abundant blessing. The Christian people have cheerfully responded to our appeals for contributions to our treasury, thus enabling us to send forth the Word of Life in printed form and by the lips of faithful Colporteurs to many a destitute and desolate region. Our Colporteurs have faithfully discharged their onerous duties, uncomplainingly facing the storms of winter, and toiling through the sultry heat of summer, with minds intent upon their work, ready to speak a word in season and to disseminate by tract or volume, or by the Bible itself, the truth as it is in Jesus.

We have received in donations the sum of \$5,266.14. Of this sum \$110 were given for capital account and \$101 towards a building. One-fifth of the balance of the donations with the latter sum, amounting to \$1,112, have been added to the building fund.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

The receipts from store sales and periodicals were \$9,274.09; from Colporteur sales, \$13,078.05; from donations, \$5,266.14; other sources, \$86.97; making a total of \$27,705.25. On the other hand we have paid for publications, \$12,961.55; for Colportage, \$6,092.55; for duty, \$1,489.01; all other expenditures per treasurer's report, \$7,125.27; balance, \$36.87; making a total of \$27,705.25.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF COLPORTAGE.

During the year 1886, 22 men were employed, whose united service equalled that of one man for 13 years and 3 months. They travelled 29,384 miles. They sold books and Bibles in value \$13,036.11. They granted \$1,114.85 worth; 759 public meetings were held. There were found 364 families who were destitute of all religious books, except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible there

were four
made.
preaching
personal
whole nu

The I
in the wo
home mi
208 year
found 2,3
and 4,43
their hou
was given
\$456 per
include
generally
except fo
Society,
way ma
Lord's w
and the p
over bad
a resting
plodding
deserve
explored
foundlan
Maritime
ing the c
sowing s
to us tha
at the di
faith; a
question
supporta

were found 136. To the homes of Roman Catholics 1,315 visits were made. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect Evangelical preaching 608 families were found. In 15,131 families there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayer was offered. The whole number of family visits made was 40,638.

GENERAL REVIEW.

The British American Book and Tract Society has been engaged in the work of Colportage for nineteen years, and during that period home mission work has been performed equal to that of one man for 208 years. There were made 562,174 family visits. There were found 2,369 families destitute of the Bible whose want was supplied, and 4,433 families were sought out who had no religious books in their houses except the Bible, and a small supply of religious reading was given to each. This work was paid for at an average cost of \$456 per annum for services and travelling expenses. This does not include any charge for superintendence, which has been borne generally by the business. The cost would have been much greater except for the considerate kindness of many hospitable friends of the Society, who have extended a welcome to our Colporteurs, and in this way made in effect a donation to the funds and helped on the Lord's work. Considering the arduous nature of the employment, and the privations which our-agents are called on to endure, travelling over bad roads at all seasons, uncertain many times where they can find a resting place, through dust or mud, snow or slush, rain or shine, plodding over the highways and bye-ways of our provinces, they deserve our warmest sympathy. Our agents have visited and explored the rocky shores of Labrador and the wild coasts of Newfoundland; they have traversed the length and breadth of the Maritime Provinces, cheering the sick, comforting the afflicted, arousing the careless, counselling the young and ministering to the aged, sowing seed beside all waters. It is a source of peculiar gratification to us that so much has been accomplished with the very limited funds at the disposal of the committee. We asked in faith; we received in faith; and in faith what we have received has been expended. The question is sometimes asked—Where does the money come from which supports this work? From three sources. The contributions of the

Christian public; the profits made upon the books sold by the Colporteurs; and the profits accruing from the business of the Depository. The whole sum received in donations and legacies in nineteen years is \$72,273.83, of which \$11,439.74 was given for a publication or capital account, and \$2,012 has been set aside for a building fund. Deducting these two amounts we have the sum of \$58,822.09 applicable to Colportage. The amount paid out for Colporteurs' services and expenses as shewn in the summary statement was \$94,570.04, being greater than the donations applicable to Colportage by \$35,747.95. The amount of \$35,747.95 has therefore accrued from profits. Of this amount it is estimated that one-half has been made by the Depository and the other half by Colportage as the sales by each branch are about equal. It will thus be seen that from the profits upon sales made in the Depository there has been applied to the work of Colportage the sum of \$17,873.98, during the 19 years under review.

There have also been provided from profits, and from grants made us by other societies, books and tracts which have been supplied gratuitously by the Colporteurs during the period spoken of, amounting to \$15,746.71. And from the Depository direct the grants made in Bibles, books, tracts, magazines and periodicals, have amounted to \$14,144.55. There has also been a considerable sum provided for from profits to cover the value of books and periodicals which have been sold and never paid for, but which, nevertheless, have gone into circulation and we trust have done their share of good; also to cover the losses which are inseparable from Colportage in the depreciation incident to the usage which books undergo in being transported long distances over rough roads.

The amount of good done in these several channels cannot be stated in figures. It belongs to the arithmetic of eternity to reveal it. For all the blessed means of doing good which we have now enumerated, we have to thank our Heavenly Father. He has blessed the labours of our hands. He has opened the hearts of kind friends to give, and has provided agents to carry on the work. If it had not been that many of the books were supplied on favourable terms to help the work of Colportage, and that the proprietors of the Allan Steamship Line have kindly carried the packages free of freight, such

large result
the comm
due regard
of duty is
of the bo
value.

Great
benevolen
Sunday S
alone, at
the shillin

It is
Society an
attends its
urgent, as
shew. S
friends wi
support a
area in t
where the

In re
religious
current y

In 18
we receiv

Colportag

Refer

the large

As noted

house. A

individua

comfort a

not ensur

sought up

large results could not have been obtained. It has been the study of the committee to manage the business in all its departments with a due regard to economy. It is proper to explain that the full amount of duty is in all cases paid, not upon the reduced prices at which some of the books are purchased, but upon the fair wholesale market value.

Great benefit has accrued to Sunday Schools from the continued benevolence of the Religious Tract Society in supplying books for Sunday School libraries at reduced prices. These are sold for that use alone, at a discount of forty per cent. upon list prices, thirty cents to the shilling.

It is gratifying to be able to report that the finances of the Society are in a sound condition, and that a large measure of prosperity attends its operations. The need for Colportage is still extensive and urgent, as a perusal of the reports of our Colporteurs will abundantly shew. Such being the case may we not hope that our numerous friends will increase their contributions, so that we may be able to support a larger staff of men who shall be able to embrace a wider area in their operations, and visit more thoroughly those districts where the need is sorest?

GRANTS IN 1886 FROM THE DEPOT.

In response to 199 applications there have been granted religious books, Bibles, Sunday School papers and cards, during the current year, amounting to \$1,095.90.

BIBLES.

In 1886 we imported 9,250 Bibles and 7,250 Testaments; and we received from the Bible Society of Prince Edward Island for Colportage there, 254 Bibles and 400 Testaments.

Reference is made by some of our Colporteurs in their reports to the large number of Bibles disposed of by them throughout the year. As noted elsewhere 136 families were found without a Bible in the house. At an average of five persons to a family this represents 680 individuals who had no copy of God's revealed will for their daily comfort and guidance. And although the possession of a Bible does not ensure the salvation of a household, yet, when God's blessing is sought upon its diligent use, it is a most valuable means of grace.

COLPORTAGE IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

Owing to the extended coast of this Island, its numerous harbours and inlets, and the want of roads, Colportage work is peculiarly difficult and expensive. We had three agents employed there whose united service amounts to $15\frac{1}{2}$ months.

Messrs. Parsons and Allen have each a boat of his own, and by visiting the harbours are enabled to reach a greater number than could be reached by any other mode of conveyance. The very interesting facts to be found under the head of Colporteurs' Reports will convey some idea of the difficulty of the work, the poverty and isolation of the people and the great need of continued efforts in this direction.

REDUCED PRICE BOOKS.

We have referred already to the great boon conferred upon Sunday Schools through the beneficence of the Religious Tract Society of London.

We have supplied during the year 120 libraries, which at list prices amounted to £346. 14s. 5d. sterling. Our Colporteurs deliver these libraries at the same prices at which they are sold at the Depository, and this arrangement, so convenient to the purchasers of libraries, increases the sales of the Colporteurs, but causes a corresponding reduction at the central depot.

GRANT OF TRACTS.

We received a free grant of £200 worth of tracts from the Religious Tract Society of London, which was of incalculable benefit, and we have to tender our hearty thanks for the kindness and liberality of the Committee in thus aiding us.

THE BANNER COUNTY.

Colchester may lay claim to the high honour of being, in relation to the work of this Society, the banner county in the Maritime Provinces. Our Colporteur, Mr. J. C. Johnson, reports that during 7 months service he was not charged for any hospitality extended to him. We think this is the first time in the history of the Society that a Colporteur was without an expense account. It would very materi-

ally lesse
considera

As th
naturally
of hospita

Early
Depositor
tract on s
Lord, he
district o

He sp
and igno
the same
might be
young m
work of
designed
and \$8
cheerfull
from one

It is
good fr
Many th

The
that day
I used to
But I w
from a f
and I da
money v

We
consider

ally lessen the cost of Colportage if in all the fields the same considerate kindness was shewn.

As the work becomes better known and appreciated we may naturally expect other fields of labour to show the same blessed grace of hospitality without grudging.

A PLEASING INCIDENT.

Early in the year a Christian mechanic called at the Tract Depository, and having stated that he was led by the perusal of a tract on systematic giving, to devote one-tenth of his earnings to the Lord, he wished to spend a part of that tenth upon Colportage, in a district of the coast named by him.

He spoke of the great need of such work. The people were poor and ignorant and many of them lived carelessly in sin. He had done the same before the Lord opened his eyes. He now wished there might be a personal canvass from house to house, and that old and young might be exhorted to turn to the Lord. He had known of the work of the Tract Society and had confidence that it would do what he designed to have done. He gave for the purpose \$25 for Colportage and \$8 in addition towards the building fund. His wishes were cheerfully attended to and the section of country referred to had a visit from one of our most active and zealous Colporteurs.

THE BENEFIT OF TRACT CIRCULATION.

It is believed that the tract which was the seed from which such good fruit sprung was imported and distributed by our Society. Many thousands of such tracts were circulated.

The donation which he gave to the Society was not his only one that day. Said he, "The minister in the section of the country where I used to live, is old and poor. The people do not pay him very well. But I will give him a surprise to-day. Will you send him these \$7 from a friend, and he will never guess where the money comes from and I dare say he will be pleased when the letter is opened." So the money was sent, and in due course an acknowledgement was received.

We wish all the ministers labouring in the provinces had just such considerate friends to surprise them occasionally.

ESTIMATE FOR 1887.

Basing the estimate of the cost of work upon the expense of the past it is found that at least \$300 of free donations are required for each year of Colporteur work, and it is hoped that in the year 1887, labour equal to that of one man for about 14 years may be performed. It must be understood that in consequence of seeking out remote corners and sparsely settled districts, the sales of our Colporteurs can not be as large as if they devoted their attention to the wealthier and more easily accessible parts of their field. But it is the poor and scattered part which needs the work most, and no system of home mission work can be devised more effective to bring the Gospel to every man's door than this. Christ's kingdom alone is the object of the Colporteur's labour. He has no denominational ends to serve, no end but to carry out the order of the Great Master, "Preach the Gospel to every creature."

TRAVELLING AGENT.

Mr. Roland Mellish continues to represent the Society, and we trust that he will be able to see, not only those friends of the Society he called upon last year, but also a large number of those waited upon by Mr. John I. Sutcliffe, who has engaged in evangelical work in another connection. Mr. Mellish has been employed in the work of the Society for a number of years, and by his zeal and efficiency has well earned the esteem and confidence of the Committee. We respectfully ask for him the kind assistance and co-operation of the friends of the Society. His work is arduous—do what you can to strengthen his hands and encourage his heart.

COLLECTIONS

Were made by the following Colporteurs in sections of the fields :—Messrs. Walker and Secord, in Prince Edward's Island ; Mr. John Wade, in Kings County, N. B. ; and Mr. Malcolm McLeod, in Cape Breton ; Mr. A. McPhail made collections during a trip to Boston, principally from natives of Cape Breton now resident there. These brethren all rendered valuable service. Our thanks are due to the staff of collectors who waited upon friends in Pictou, and the continuance of their service is respectfully requested.

Our b
the year,
upon whi

MY D
In the pr
a few wo
ful servic
life and c
do all the
Our time
grave ; so
necessary
Master, a

Rem
who sit in
the sick
when Go
with tro
up to life

Be in
help you
death an
this life,
done goo

The

is being
been rev
for sale
to any c

on the s
have not
the Ten
therein

Our beloved President addressed to the Colporteurs at the first of the year, the following letter which we reproduce as showing the lines upon which our Colporteurs are expected to work :—

HALIFAX, N. S., January 1st, 1887.

MY DEAR BROTHER,—I desire to wish you a very happy New Year. In the providence of God, I have been spared again to address to you a few words of kindly greeting. I have to thank you for your faithful service in the work of our noble Society, and if you are spared in life and continue the work, I trust it will be with renewed resolve to do all the good you can, as long as you can, to as many as you can. Our time at the best is short. Our fellow men are hastening to the grave ; some of them, alas, without any knowledge of a Saviour. How necessary then, that we should follow the example of our Divine Master, and proclaim to all the way of life !

Remember the dear children: "Feed my lambs." Remember those who sit in darkness: shew them the "Light of the world." Remember the sick: "I was sick and ye visited me." Remember the afflicted, when God has ploughed up the soil of the heart and made it mellow with trouble, then the good seed of the word may take root and spring up to life everlasting.

Be instant in season and out of season. And may the Holy Spirit help you to speak words of love to lost, undone souls. Be faithful unto death and Christ will give you a crown of life. If we do not meet in this life, may we meet before His throne to hear His lips say, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

(Sgd.) THOS. A. BROWN,

Pres. B. A. B. & T. Society.

A CATALOGUE

is being prepared, and will be published at an early day, which has been revised and which will contain the larger number of books kept for sale at the Depository. This catalogue, when ready, will be sent to any correspondent upon application.

WE RENEW OUR OFFER OF BOOKS

on the second page of the cover, to all Sunday school children who have not already received a prize, who repeat the Lord's prayer and the Ten Commandments correctly to their teacher, on the conditions therein stated.

A BUILDING.

We require to keep the matter before the public and to say that we propose to apply one-fifth of the donations received through the year toward this object. In addition to this any special contributions or legacies will be applied towards it. We hope some of our friends may consider this a fitting channel for their beneficence.

IN CONCLUSION

We beg to say that we propose "to do all the good we can, as long as we can, to as many as we can," and implore our Heavenly Father to bless our efforts in scattering the good seed of the Word.

We ask the aid and co-operation of all who love the Lord Jesus and who receive the Holy Scriptures as the Word of God, and hold the Evangelical doctrines made prominent in the great Reformation. We ask their aid in order that these Provinces may be saturated with the truth—that the Bible may have a place in every family, and that an abundant supply of pure Christian literature may exclude what is false, foul, and debasing. For it is well known to us that strenuous efforts are put forth, without ceasing, to disseminate among our people publications designed to teach infidelity and atheism, and wholly in the interest of the deadliest immorality. The press is rightly free. The enemy knows how to pervert it into a powerful engine against the truth. But it is the duty and the privilege of Christians to use it for the diffusion of the Glad Tidings of Salvation intended for all people. As God's truth is mightier than the foul falsehoods of the evil one, we need not fear as to the ultimate victory. The strongest One is upon our side; and with the sympathy and support of His people we hope to prosecute our work with increased energy and success.

Statistics of Colportage for the Year ending December 31st, 1886.

NOVA SCOTIA.

NAME.	FIELD OF LABOR.	Time charged to Society's service.		No. of miles travelled.	Cash received for sales.		Value of grants of books, bibles and Tracts.		No. of public meetings addressed and prayer meetings held.	No. of families destitute of all religious books except the bible.	No. of Protestant families destitute of the bible.	No. of families visited.	No. of Protestant families who habitually neglect attending evangelical preaching.	No. of families conversed with on personal religion, or prayed with.	Whole number of families visited.
		Months.	Days.		Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.							
James Elder	Cumberland	6	22	1470	702	27	99	43	105	23	20	31	70	761	1442
A. McNeil	Lunenburg and Queens	0	8	2422	901	95	78	27	54	44	20	49	95	930	2269
James Craig	Digby and Yarmouth	2	24	501	333	10	15	84	12	.....	.....	57	.....	157	1469
T. McDonald	Halifax	6	8	1826	389	95	42	06	1	.....	.....	144	.....	2206	3199
A. R. McQueen	Pictou and Antigonish	11	25	2297	1191	73	59	00	52	7	5	33	14	1146	4151
J. Johnson	Colchester	7	14	1579	818	71	44	03	31	3	3	28	5	1284	2483
G. Telford	King's and Annapolis.	0	1	1355	519	39	37	39	.....	.....	.....	29	.....	1123	2232
A. B. Fletcher	Lunenburg	1	2	222	101	86	3	82	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	21	284
		51	24	10748	4818	96	380	95	269	77	57	374	184	7688	17459

CAPE BRETON.

J. J. McKenzie	Inverness and Richmond	9	.....	1787	544	48	55	52	188	42	7	139	86	472	1508
M. McLeod	Victoria and Cape Breton	10	7	1915	580	11	50	52	135	3	5	19	0	1046	1416
A. McQuarrie	Inverness	5	.....	690	106	26	2	04	9	.....	.....	3	.....	80	600
		24	7	4392	1239	80	108	08	277	45	12	161	92	1568	3319

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Joe. Tweedy	Northumberland	11	25	2108	1072	60	92	44	5	4	3	25	12	925	2565
J. W. Smith	York, Queen's and Sunbury.	7	5	1128	577	55	51	70	66	4	1	78	10	397	2962

J. J. McKenzie	9	1787	544	43	55	52	132	42	7	139	86	472	1503
M. McLeod	10	1915	580	11	50	52	135	3	5	19	6	1066	1416
A. McQuarrie	5	690	106	26	2	04	9			3		39	600
	24	4392	1239	80	108	08	277	45	12	101	92	1568	3319

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Jos. Treedy	11	2108	1072	60	92	44	5	4	3	25	12	925	2565
J. W. Smith	7	5	1128	577	55	51	70	4	1	78	10	397	2662
Job Wade	6	943	536	41	32	26	17		2	49	7	604	1733
James Duncan	3	1026	406	17	24	47	14	33		119	10	198	1256
D. J. Fraser	10	24	2282	1226	14	61	90	27		5	89	11	3039
A. E. Milligan	3	0	447	110	69	20	00	7	12	9	13		582
	43	17	7934	3929	56	282	77	186	53	20	378	50	11527

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

D. Walker	11	19	4836	885	85	71	07	3	9	7	99	165	1434	3195
E. Secord	2	0	1434	1055	07	63	22	3	2	5	82	16	1480	2748
	23	19	5770	1890	92	134	29	6	11	12	181	181	2864	5943

NEWFOUNDLAND.

A. Parsons	6	15	800	417	26	66	29	15	81	10	31	50	48	770
Geo. Allen	6	0	4392	1339	80	108	08	277	45	12	161	92	1	65
J. E. Fraser	3	0	7034	3929	56	252	17	136	53	20	373	50	2584	1127
	15	15	5900	1156	87	208	76	80	178	35	226	101	427	2190

Summary of Colportage in the four Provinces for 1886.

Provinces	No. of men employed.													
Nova Scotia	8	51	24	10742	4818	96	330	95	200	77	57	374	184	7688
New Brunswick	3	24	7	4392	1339	80	108	08	277	45	12	161	92	1
P. E. Island	2	43	17	7034	3929	56	252	17	136	53	20	373	50	2584
Newfoundland	3	23	19	5770	1890	92	134	29	6	11	12	181	181	2864
	22	158	22	59728	14036	11	1114	85	730	364	136	1315	698	15131

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures for Nineteen Years.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Cash received for Periodicals.....	\$ 48594 21	Cash paid for Publications.....	\$200473 35
Store Sales.....	169253 74	Colportage.....	777 88
Colporteur Sales.....	30625 74	Duty.....	29626 85
Donations.....	71087 83	Store Expenses.....	15469 23
from other sources.....	4675 20	Postage (including Periodicals).....	84 6 04
		Advertising and Printing.....	7869 95
		Freight.....	4824 20
		Stationery.....	1169 14
		Salaries and Travelling Expenses.....	63118 49
		Insurance.....	724 73
		Building Fund.....	2012 00
		Balance.....	36 87
	\$408900 00		\$498900 00

Summary of Colportage for Nineteen Years.

PROVINCES.	No. of men employed.		Time charged to Society's Service.		No. of miles travelled.	Cash rec'd for sales.	Value of grants of Books, Bibles and Tracts.	No. of public meetings addressed and prayer meetings held.	No. of families destitute of all religious books except the Bible.	No. of Protestant families destitute of the Bible.	No. of Roman Catholic families visited.	No. of Prot. families who habitually neglect attending evangelical preaching.	No. of families conversed with on personal religion, or prayed with.	Whole number of families visited.
	Years	Months	Days	Dols. cts.											Dols. cts.
Nova Scotia.....	99	7	13	169873	95097 64	7480 66	1683	5646	1383	12751	9451	197651	301756	
New Brunswick.....	43	11	29	85827	52126 04	1204 20	3079	893	3891	5369	1413	84030	131307	
Alpe Breton.....	28	4	20	51680	20500 61	1205 21	2009	496	138	3469	842	24492	48621	
P. E. Island.....	18	11	17	49471	18283 61	1070 21	444	313	124	2042	1175	24548	48621	
Newfoundland.....	17	2	21	19277	17411 82	1770 47	1117	1128	333	2269	220	7260	31083	
	148	308	2	567128	204319 73	15767 23	11985	4433	2309	25080	6101	217881	562174	

Mr. The year in a Society v Nova Soc I visited Judging claims of considera important heretofore due prom recognized Great Ch they may and cond every one

The m the duty the aged, the sick h speaks of with them young h days of th blood that wrath to c tract or bo verses. A over 250 day, mon always on difficulties zeal for th away and the past tv

Nova Scotia	99	109873	95097	7486	5646	1683	1383	12751	9451	137651	801796
New Brunswick	43	85827	52126	4304	3079	893	391	5899	1413	84030	131307
Chap. Breton	28	51680	20500	1204	2099	496	138	3469	842	24492	49377
P. E. Island	18	49471	18283	1070	63	313	134	2042	1175	24548	48631
Newfoundland	17	19277	17411	1770	1117	1128	333	2269	220	7260	31083
	148	308	204319	15767	23	11965	2309	25080	6101	217881	562174

TRAVELLING AGENT'S REPORT.

MR. ROLAND MELLISH writes:—

The total amount of donations collected by me during the past year in aid of the work of the British American Book and Tract Society was \$2,369.50. Of this amount \$1710.43 were collected in Nova Scotia, \$415.47 in Newfoundland, and \$233.60 in P. E. Island. I visited all the principal towns and villages in these three Provinces. Judging from the readiness with which the people responded to the claims of our work, and the fact that the total amount received is considerably in excess of past years. I would suppose that the importance of the work of our Society is more fully realized than heretofore by the christian public. Its broad, catholic spirit in giving due prominence to the grand cardinal doctrines of the Gospel is recognized and appreciated by a larger number of the members of the Great Church of the Redeemer by whatever denominational name they may be known. Having as its aim the salvation of all classes and conditions, the work of the Society should commend itself to every one who names the name of Christ.

The methods of the Society are economical and efficient. It is the duty and privilege of the colporteur to visit the sick, the bereaved, the aged, the young. All come under his timely ministrations. To the sick he recommends the Great Physician; to the sorrowing he speaks of the Man of Sorrows; the aged, he tells of One who will be with them even in the dark valley and shadow of death. To the young he shows the necessity of remembering their Creator in the days of their youth; and those who have no saving interest in the blood that bought their pardon on the tree, he warns to flee from the wrath to come. With his words of comfort and counsel he gives a tract or book suitable to the case of each person with whom he converses. Assuming that he visits ten families each day, in one month over 250 families will have been reached. Thus he goes on day after day, month after month, doing the Master's work. Though not always on the mountain top and having many discouragements and difficulties to contend with, the faithful colporteur with a determined zeal for the cause of the Master, overcomes all obstacles. Months roll away and he completes a year's work for the Society. Reviewing the past twelve months he finds he has travelled about 2500 miles,

has put in circulation by sale \$1000 worth of religious books and Bibles, and distributed gratuitously to destitute families or persons, about \$100 worth of tracts and books; held or taken part in 30 religious services; conversed on personal religion or prayed with 900 families or persons, and in all has made about 3000 family visits, or allowing each family to represent five persons it will be seen he has reached 15,000 persons.

All this work is performed by the colporteur at an annual cost to the public of about \$300,—the balance of his salary being met by profits on sales. Colportage is not only economical and efficient (for in no other way can so much good work be done at so small a cost) but there is a growing need of the work. Although the more destitute portions of the Maritime Provinces have to some extent been supplied with healthy reading matter through the agency of this Society, there remains much yet to be done. How can the evil effects of pernicious publications that are having an ever widening circulation throughout our land be more successfully counteracted and ultimately stamped out, than by distributing among old and young (but especially among the young, for in the youth of our homes is the hope of the future) literature whose teaching will mould character, whose influence for good will be felt while time lasts? No better evidence of the moral and spiritual good of this Society's publications could be given than the growing readiness on the part of the people of every christian community to assist in promoting their circulation. One of the most pleasing features in connection with the work of collecting, is the manner in which the people have responded, whenever the Society's claims were presented.

In Newfoundland, although business was very much depressed, owing to the partial failure of the fisheries, the friends of the Society contributed to its funds with their characteristic liberality, so that the total amount collected there was but little short of former years. In Nova Scotia and P. E. Island the people evidenced their hearty approval of the Society's work by word and act, as well as by giving increased contributions. It is my intention during the present year to visit New Brunswick and Cape Breton, which have heretofore been visited by Mr. Sutcliffe.

Genera

Dur
service
5770 m
granted
found,
the Bib
the hor
Protest
were fo
matters
family

DAV

I w
travell
to the
meeting
the Bib
99 fam
who h
or pray
and rec
Total re

At t
conster
danger
ings, so
dangers
same r
Societies

ous books and
ies or persons,
n part in 30
ayed with 900
mily visits, or
e seen he has

annual cost to
being met by
efficient (for
small a cost)
e more desti-
e extent been
gency of this
he evil effects
ng circulation
nd ultimately
y young (but
homes is the
ld character,
? No better
s publications
of the people
ir circulation.
the work of
nded, when-

h depressed,
of the Society
y, so that the
r years. In
their hearty
as by giving
present year
retore been

COLPORTEURS' REPORTS.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

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

During the year 1886, two men were employed, whose united service equalled that of one man for nearly two years. They travelled 5770 miles. They sold books and Bibles to value \$1890.92. They granted \$134.29 worth; 6 public meetings were held. There were found, 11 families who were destitute of all religious books, except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible, there were found 12. To the homes of Roman Catholics, 181 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching, 181 families were found. In 2864 families there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayer was offered. The whole number of family visits paid was 5943.

DAVID WALKER writes :—

I worked in the Society's service for 11 months and 19 days; travelled 4336 miles; sold \$835.85 worth of books; made grants to the amount of \$71.07; addressed or took part in three public meetings; found nine families destitute of all religious books except the Bible, and seven Protestant families without the Bible; I visited 99 families of Roman Catholics, and found 165 Protestant families who habitually neglect the house of God; spoke on personal religion or prayed with 1434 families; and made in all 3195 family visits; and received during the year \$113.67 as donations from 288 donors. Total receipts \$949.52.

At the beginning of this year, owing to the small-pox spreading consternation over this Island, Colportage was carried on under great danger and difficulty, but God preserved me in my constant journeyings, so that I have gone out and returned unharmed amidst the dangers to which a life of travel is necessarily exposed. For the same reason the pecuniary resources of this and other kindred Societies suffered to a considerable extent, not from any diminution

of love that the people had for the cause of Truth, but simply and solely on the ground of diminished means. I rejoice to inform you that only a transient hindrance was experienced, that the Society is better liked than ever, and that our total receipts in my field of labour, adding together the sales which I made and donations which I received, exceed those of any previous year.

I have endeavoured to prosecute my work with all the vigour at my command, actuated by a sincere desire to carry out in the most effective manner the responsible trust committed to me.

GOOD DONE.

A gentleman of high standing in society told me that only for the Society's books which he purchased from time to time, he would be an infidel, for he had his doubts, but by the teaching of these books his doubts were removed. He is now a burning and a shining light, and is able to give a reason for the faith that is in him.

Our books have sowed seeds of living faith, and have kindled bright and beautiful hopes of a glorious immortality. The gratitude which has been felt by those who are indebted to the agency of the Society for the possession of those books is very striking.

The Temperance literature which has been circulated by the Society has been of great benefit in advancing the Temperance cause in this Island. A few Temperance Societies have been organized during this year.

I work on in faith and hope, bringing the Word of God to all classes, to the mansions of the wealthy and to the cottages of the poor, enriching them all with this heavenly treasure. I put it into the hands of the young upon their first profession of faith in Christ as their infallible guide. I read it at the bedside of the sick and dying, from which they receive support and consolation. And although we may not know to what extent spiritual life and peace have resulted from our efforts, we know that God will be true to his promises.

I visited many outlying and unfrequented places, and have thus made the hearts of many glad by conveying to them a most precious treasure, of which perhaps they never would have known the value but for the instrumentality of this Society. Many persons to whom I sell books tell me that they know that the Society is doing much good, and that they will give a donation again for its support when called on for that purpose. I bear witness that by the agency of this Society, under the Holy Spirit's influence, sinners have been awakened and converted, the faith of many has been strengthened, their hopes confirmed, and their love to Christ greatly intensified. These blessed results should stimulate our benevolence for its support.

The
indifferen
about th
Ministers
of the l
themselv
I had

times. C
came fro
times cro
ministers
"Behold
together i
present a
placed.
The cong
hundreds
many mo

The g
some cas
continual
whom I v
Gospel T
make eve
sometime
cumstanc
failed of
in which
the Gosp
churches
praise are
of the pr
religion i
the effort

Much
of the Bil
equally s
comfort r
spirits, of
book that
of light a
from ever
God and

MEANS OF GRACE.

The work of the Lord has been revived in our midst. The indifferent and careless are sought out, and they are reasoned with about the salvation of their souls. Besides the usual supply of Ministers of the Gospel, we were highly favoured with the presence of the Rev. Messrs. Meikle and Gerrior, who are a host in themselves.

I had the pleasure of hearing Messrs. Meikle and Gerrior several times. Great interest was manifested in their meetings. People came from far and near to attend them. Their large tent was sometimes crowded to its utmost capacity. I was delighted to see the ministers of the different denominations co-operate with them. "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." They must indeed have felt that God was really present and blessing both them and the people over whom they were placed. Blessed results have followed the labours of these Evangelists. The congregations in the different churches have become larger and hundreds of men, women and children have professed conversion, and many more are anxiously inquiring their way to the Saviour.

The good seed sown from time to time is bringing forth fruit in some cases to perfection. It affords me the greatest pleasure to be continually dropping the good seed of the Word among the people whom I visit. I am always able to drop at least some tiny seed of Gospel Truth, and leave it there under the care of Him who can make even the wrath of man to praise Him. Good results have sometimes followed my humble efforts, even under unfavourable circumstances. I have good reason to exclaim, "No good thing has failed of all He promised!" On my first journey through the field in which I am labouring, I observed churches in which the sound of the Gospel was not heard for a long time, but now in some of these churches the glad tidings of salvation and the voice of prayer and praise are now heard at least weekly. This is a proof of the reality of the progress of religion amongst us, and the conquests that pure religion is making, and is an evidence that a gracious God is blessing the efforts which are put forth for the furtherance of the Truth.

Much remains yet to be done, as many are denied the possession of the Bible; the book which all equally need, and to which all are equally entitled; the book from which we have derived peace and comfort and joy; the book which has soothed and refreshed our spirits, often faint in our struggles with adverse circumstances; the book that will ultimately have free course and establish its dominion of light and blessedness from shore to shore, and in all realms, when from every land and from every lip anthems of praise shall ascend to God and to the Lamb.

REVIVALS.

I had frequent opportunities of beholding some of the blessed results of the soul-stirring revivals which have taken place here. Two congregations have each lately received about two hundred persons into full communion. Other congregations also may truly say, The Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad. We are aiding this glorious work all we can by the circulation of the Word of God and the Society's excellent stirring and evangelical literature which is quietly leavening the minds of the people, and which have enlightened and strengthened and comforted many a soul.

BIBLES.

I found seven Protestant families without the Bible and I supplied them. Year by year I find the number of Protestant families destitute of the Bible growing less. To those who were without a Bible and too poor to buy one, I have in the name of the Society given a Bible free of charge. Most of the recipients were aged and infirm, apparently on the verge of the grave. The desire to possess the Word of God is becoming more general. I saw a young lad who went home crying because he was disappointed in getting a Testament. A kind hearted gentleman having heard of it bought two Testaments from me and gave one to the boy and the other to his sister. I gave one to their mother the day previous at half price. I met a man six miles from his home who said he was glad to meet me again as his daughter was displeased because he did not buy a Bible for her yesterday when I was at his house. He therefore bought a Bible for her there on the road. Formerly a Bible for a family was considered a great treasure; now children and servants must have at least the New Testament as their own, and as the family circle and the household are enlarged the demand for the Scriptures becomes greater. I view with delight the increasing attachment which the people manifest towards our Society, as well as an increasing demand for the Word of God. I carry the Word of God to the poor and ignorant, even the very poorest, and sometimes to those who have no desire to seek it for themselves. Amidst causes of sadness joy is sometimes mingled as the light is slowly dawning on this people. I sold one of the most handsomely bound Bibles I had to a Roman Catholic. I had the pleasure of selling two Bibles lately to a man who was once studying to be a priest, but after much persuasion he was prevailed upon to accept of a Bible from a lady, and that very Bible with God's blessing was the means of his conversion. One man, aged about seventy, who neglected to get a large type Testament from me when I called at his house, travelled four miles through the woods early in the morning to buy one from me. I am glad we are co-operating with the P. E. Island Auxiliary Bible Society.

The p
the young
they som
infidels a
only a su
the truth
but burn
believe in
pardon at
our Lord
seeds of c
gence and
favoured
young m
He was t
tract yet,
book and

I som
affecting
and pray
cleanseth
would.
dying.
me. H
affliction,
and he e
times a r
welfare.
remains
he had
heavenly

It is
to hear t
bought p
persons,
with the
would ne
previous
dents de

TRACT DISTRIBUTION.

The people are delighted with the tracts which we circulate. Both the young and the aged evince pleasure when I give them tracts, and they sometimes even ask for them. I met with several instances of infidels and scoffers who when visited for the first time would take only a suitable tract, but they have been brought to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus, and are now not only consistent christians but burning and shining lights, so that others have been led to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as their only Saviour and have found pardon and peace and are daily growing in the knowledge and love of our Lord Jesus Christ. Help is now received from places where the seeds of divine truth have been scattered in past seasons with diligence and hope, which affords evidence that a kind providence has favoured the high objects the Society have in view. I visited a young man on his death-bed, to whom I gave a tract some years ago. He was then careless and thoughtless, but he told me he had that tract yet, and that he can see how good it is now. I gave him a book and some more tracts which he received gladly.

VISITS TO THE SICK.

I sometimes visit persons on the verge of the grave. It is a very affecting and solemn scene. One poor old man with whom I read and prayed and whom I pointed to the Lamb of God whose blood cleanseth from all sin, desired me earnestly to come again. I said I would. I went to see him the next day. He was then evidently dying. I again read and prayed, his weeping friends kneeling with me. His friends thanked me kindly for visiting them in their affliction. I visited another old man who was confined to his bed and he earnestly besought me to pray for him. I visited several times a noble-hearted youth, I took a deep interest in his spiritual welfare. At first he expressed a hope of entering into that rest which remains for the people of God, but he grew in faith daily until at last he had the full assurance of entering into the full enjoyment of heavenly bliss through the merits of Christ.

BOOKS.

It is very gratifying to me, when I call again where I sold books, to hear the people express their entire satisfaction with the books they bought previously from me, and their desire to have more. Different persons, after reading their books through, said they would not part with them for more than they paid for them. Others said they would not part with the books which they bought from me on my previous visit for any money. Different Sunday School Superintendents depend upon me to keep them supplied with books, tracts, &c.,

for their Sunday Schools. The more our Society's books are known the more they are prized. (Clergymen and others who have a desire for the promotion of the temporal and eternal welfare of the people wish me success in my work, and invoke the Lord's blessing on me and my work. The more our Society's work is known the more it is loved, respected, and supported by all those who love Jesus in sincerity and truth.

KINDNESS AND HOSPITALITY.

James Coleman, Esq., Superintendent P. E. Island Railway, continues his kindness to me. I feel thankful to the many friends from whom I received many acts of kindness and hospitality for my work's sake.

NEED OF COLPORTAGE.

There is real need of the Society's work being continued with re-doubled zeal to counteract error and vice in their many forms, and the baneful effects of demoralizing and soul destroying literature scattered broadcast over our land. I often receive the thanks of people in out of the way places, in the woods, for the trouble I take in finding them out and visiting them. No other bookseller visits them. I visit people as often as I can, but not as often as most of them wish, so that they would receive oftener some of those lovely books, which through the illuminating grace of the Holy Spirit, aid in showing them the way of salvation, strengthening their faith and filling their hearts with joy.

There is yet much to be done. Past blessing and success combine to induce us to resolve to work more in the spirit of serious earnestness. There is ample room and work for three colporteurs in this Island, namely, one for each county, and I hope the day is not far distant when there will be another fellow-labourer added to our number in this part of the Master's vineyard, because experience furnishes overwhelming evidence that the written Word, illuminated by the Spirit of God, does deliver men from the power of darkness, and translates them into the kingdom of His dear Son. I believe that if there was a colporteur for each county that the offerings of generous hearts would be increased in proportion to the expenditure, and that the people of this Island would thus show their love for the Bible and their zeal for its diffusion.

HENRY SECORD writes :—

BIBLE DESTITUTION.

I have to report five families without Bibles. One of these had been burnt out, and had no books of any description left. I was told of a Protestant family living in a Roman Catholic settlement without

a Bible
card-play
them a B

I wa
Catholic-
see me.
I said, "
Testamen
eternal li
life;" an
and that
way, and

I sold
Protestan
would no
Testamen

On an
sold book
cleanses f
name. T

One r
showed h
a means o
a man I r
He told m

On a
received n
kindly w
a great ch
years of a
mother ac

The w
ings have
one locali
dance."
having gi
prayer for

a Bible for sixteen years. These families spend their evenings in card-playing and dancing, and never attend church, so I sent each of them a Bible.

ROMAN CATHOLICS.

I was deeply impressed by visiting a young man—a Roman Catholic—dying of consumption. At first he appeared unwilling to see me. He remarked that he did not expect to get better. "Then," I said, "you want eternal life." I read to him from the Douay Testament, "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life;" and I endeavoured to show him that Christ was God's *gift*, and that we *have* Him by *receiving* Him. He appeared to see the way, and thanked me for calling.

I sold a Douay Testament to a Roman Catholic girl who was in a Protestant family; she read it with great interest, but her father would not allow her to keep it, altho' she told him it was their own Testament, and was very much distressed when it was taken from her.

On another occasion I visited nine Roman Catholic families, and sold books and distributed tracts. I spoke to some of the blood that cleanses from sin, and the need of pardoning mercy through Christ's name. They listened attentively.

RELIGIOUS BOOKS.

One man to whom I sold "God's way of Peace" told me it showed him just where he was wrong. "Alleine's Alarm" was made a means of blessing to another. "Baxter's Saints Rest," studied by a man I met last year, induced him to make a profession of religion. He told me that he owed very much to that book.

INCIDENTS.

On a former occasion a man to whom I wished to sell a book received me with curses; but the other day the same man listened kindly when I spoke to him about about his soul, and manifested a great change for the better.—I met some children four and seven years of age who know nothing about God and a Saviour. The mother acknowledged that she had never once told them about God.

GENERAL VIEW.

The work of the Lord is prospering in my field. Revival meetings have been held, and showers of blessing have descended. In one locality, it was remarked that "one could not now get up a dance." Their delight was in God and his worship,—twenty-eight having given me their names as wishing to be made the subjects of prayer for their conversion. I believe this was done in all sincerity.

But although God is thus doing great things for us, there are still many congregations that need the power of God to quicken and convert.

SUMMARY OF WORK.

Sales	\$1055 07
Grants	63 22
Meetings addressed	3
Destitute of all religious books	2
" Bible	5
Roman Catholics visited	82
Conversed or prayed with	1430
Total number visited	2748

NEW BRUNSWICK.

General Summary of Colportage in the Province of New Brunswick, including extracts from Colporteurs' Reports.

During the year 1886 six men were employed, whose united service equalled that of one man for 43 months. They travelled 7934 miles. They sold books and Bibles in value of \$3929.56. They granted \$282.77 worth; 136 public meetings were held. There were found 53 families who were destitute of all religious books, except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible, there were found 20. To the homes of Roman Catholics, 373 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching, 50 families were found. In 2584 families, there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayer was offered. The whole number of family visits paid was 11,527.

Mr. D. J. FRASER writes:—

During 1886 I worked for your Society 10 months and 24 days. I travelled 2282 miles. I sold books to the value of \$1226.14 thus surpassing the sales of any previous year \$186.37 I granted \$61.90 of books and tracts. I took part in 27 prayer or other religious meetings. I cannot speak with certainty of the number of families destitute of all religious books except the Bible, therefore in my statistical report I did not mark any. I hope though, if privileged to go around another year, to be more bold in that matter.

I die
In the C
minister,
tents, wa
Catholic
badly bo

I visi
as often
number

Tract
where th
I am not
I may ha
should n
three mil
At first
trunk an
books fr
repaid f
shone in
good has
your Soc
since I c
in the n
though I
and anot
last I ca

By
Military
per cent
\$200, he
friend ha
Upsalqui
Society's

It wo
not find

DESTITUTION OF GOD'S WORD.

I did not find any families altogether destitute of God's Word. In the County of Gaspe I gave, by the suggestion of an Episcopal minister, two Bibles; one to a family whose house, with all its contents, was burnt; another to an old man who lived in a Roman Catholic family. I gave three more to poor families who had only badly bound parts of Bibles.

VISITS TO ROMAN CATHOLICS.

I visited 89 Catholic families, was kindly received by them and as often as I found it convenient accepted of their hospitality. Whole number of family visits 3039.

TRACTS.

Tracts are very much in demand especially in the poorer districts where the people are in need of such spiritual food as is thus supplied. I am not the least discouraged when I visit a poor settlement though I may have to travel three or four miles to reach it even though I should not sell one book if I have tracts to distribute. I travelled three miles to visit one Protestant family that I never found before. At first the woman seemed somewhat distant, but when I opened a trunk and explained to her my errand and gave her tracts and small books free, and told her of the Society's benevolence, I was amply repaid for my share in the business by the sunshine which that day shone in the faces of the poor family. I have every confidence that good has been done and yet will be done by the tracts and books of your Society though no striking instances have come under my notice since I came in to my present field. I am content to sow the seed in the morning and in the evening, to withhold not my hand even though I should not reap (not forgetting that it is said "one soweth and another reapeth,") so long as the sheaves are gathered in at the last I can say *O Lord Thy will be done.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS.

By the christian benevolence of Professor Harris, of Kingston Military College, I have been able to supply 13 libraries of the 40 per cent Sunday School books amounting to a sum not much less than \$200, he paying the one-half. I may here mention that the same friend has also offered to give \$50 as help to provide preaching for Upsalquitch, which offer is being accepted and Mr. W. Frith, the Society's worthy ex-colporteur for this place, is the person employed.

KINDNESS RECEIVED.

It would seem invidious, perhaps, to mention names as I could not find room for all and yet will mention a few. In the County of

s, there are still
to quicken and

.\$1055 07
. 63 22
..... 3
..... 2
..... 5
..... 82
..... 1430
..... 2748

of New Bruns-
Reports.

whose united
travelled 7934
\$29.56. They
d. There were
books, except
found 20. To
. Of nominal
ing, 50 families
conversation on
hole number of

s and 24 days.
\$1226.14 thus
granted \$61.90
other religious
ber of families
erefore in my
a, if privileged
ter.

Restigouche I called on Mr. Colpits, he was comparatively a stranger, he gave me dinner, fed my horse and gave me about a bushel of oats to take with me. To many other old friends I take this opportunity of giving thanks in the name of the Society. In the County of Bonaventure I received the usual kind treatment. In the County of Gaspé I travelled from Port Daniel (near the line) to Grand Tabos one cold day, the 20th October, strong wind from the east, drizzling rain; I felt myself a stranger, the ground over which I travelled rather, by nature, rough and inhospitable. I do not say anything against the people. I came to the river; the ferryman would not venture to put me over. I inquired for a public stable to put my horse up; there was none without going some miles. Shortly Mr. McNaughton, manager for King Bros., who own a large steam saw-milling establishment there, came home from looking after a vessel laden with a valuable cargo which was in danger on the shore, and though so engaged and busy he politely replied to my request to allow his stable-man to put up my horse, and, I doubt not, used his influence to get me over, for in a short time after, the wind still high but "slack tide," four men with a scow put me across. How refreshing to a stranger in a strange land. At the risk of being tedious I will tell of the way I had to cross the N. West river, the last river or ferry that I had to cross since leaving Campbellton—being only the *tenth*. The river here is not quite a mile wide. The last time I went over we took two small boats or scows (for want of larger one) about thirteen feet long but not broad enough to take in all the wheels of the waggon at once, so we put the two side wheels, without taking them off the axeltrees, into one boat and the other two side wheels into the other boat. We then took the harness off the horse, tied a long rope to his halter, I sitting in hinder end of one of the boats took the other end of the rope and the horse had to swim when he came to the channel, or deep water. This may seem a pleasant or romantic affair, but remember this had to be done over again as soon as I got done with my work on the Cape, which brought me into November, and swim my horse again with ice forming on the river.

A friend near Pasbebiac entertained me all night, would take no pay, but asked me to call again. Also, though I had so much difficulty in getting to Cape Gaspé I was well paid for my trouble by the kind reception in that rough looking place. Rev. A. Whiteside (Methodist) was holding nightly meetings, in which he cordially invited me to take part; and as he could not be in two places at the same time he got me to take charge of one of the meetings one evening. The people here value the books of your Society though the times were dull, the mackerel a total failure, yet I sold \$24 worth in two days within a few miles of the light-house.

Mr.

As I
the Socie
My work
visit to Y
and sever
value of
public m
versed an
thousand
one hund
mud, in t
the reader
work is
never let
departme
exaltation
valley of
to cheer
And all
of good
and work
crown o
hastened.
visible fr
dead stak
waters."
knowing
God the
harvest ti
And nov
Colportag
and coul
life of the
many hav
one inster
Moody's
hands of
in at the
which le
My visits
myself as
and the li
which the

Mr. J. W. SMITH writes :—

As I have spent seven months and five days in the service of the Society, I hasten to give you a short account of my stewardship. My work was chiefly in Queens and Sunbury Counties, with a short visit to York. Sold Bibles and books to the value of five hundred and seventy-seven dollars and fifty-five cents. Made grants to the value of fifty-one dollars and seventy cents. Addressed sixty-six public meetings; visited seventy-eight Roman Catholic families; conversed and prayed with four hundred and three families; visited two thousand six hundred and one homes, and travelled one thousand one hundred and twenty-nine miles, some of them through snow and mud, in the heat of summer and chilly blast of winter; so, if any of the readers of this year's report should think that the Colporteur's work is all sunshine, let them try it, for there are some who will never learn any other way but by experience. It is like all other departments of the Master's work—one day on the mountain top of exaltation, and many days down in the valley; after all the valley of blessing, to lift up the fallen, to bring the light of his love, to cheer the dark and benighted ones, and help them to a better life. And all who engage in it must look for days of trial as well as days of good cheer; and as lost time can never be found, let all who give and work for the Society carry their motto into 1887. Success will crown our efforts, and the Kingdom come of the Master will be hastened. Some of my work during the year has been without visible fruit, very much as John Ploughman says, like watering a dead stake, but as the good Book says, "Cast thy bread upon the waters." I have gone forth scattering some here and there, not knowing which shall prosper, and trusting that with the blessing of God the world may be better for my place in it, and when the harvest time comes there may be some golden sheaves garnered in. And now with another year's experience, my testimony is that Colportage fills an important place in the army of Christian workers, and could not be dispensed with without serious loss in the spiritual life of the people, for by the good books—Bibles, tracts—distributed, many have borne testimony to the quickening of religious life. Let one instance suffice. Sold a Bible to a young girl, and gave one of Moody's "How to read the same." They were the means in God's hands of leading her to forsake the path of the destroyer and enter in at the straight gate. She is calmly pursuing the narrow path which leads up to the gates of pearl to the glorious land of song. My visits to the sick and dying have been seasons of blessing to myself as well as them, judging from the warm grasp of the hand and the light in their eye as they looked up to the Golden City, into which they had well grounded hopes of soon entering, as they were

able to grasp by faith the strong hand of the Master. Although Peter like, sinking amidst life's billows, they felt they were safe in his blessed arms. I was often cheered in my services by the hearty "God bless you in your work, for we have been cheered and blessed by your coming among us." One old man came to me, after preaching from "Put on the whole armour," and got hold of my hand and said, "You have given me a firmer grip of the shield of faith and the sword of the spirit, and the old enemy is once more put to flight." Oh may we meet where fighting will be past, and joy and gladness will be our portion forever." These have been a few of the bright spots that have cheered me on from day to day. With these facts, can we doubt the efficacy of our work as toilers in the vineyard? And now, in conclusion, may the blessing of Him which maketh rich and addeth no sorrow thereto, be upon us all as we enter the new year.

MR. JOS. TWEEDY writes :—

I have to report that though surroundings were very unfavourable in many places for the sale of books, I think that in no year for some time back has the blessing of God more copiously followed the work of this Society. There was a pleasure and a success attending my labours this past year that I never noticed so much before. When often on account of the felt scarcity of money I could see no prospect before me, in several cases, I would be cast down; yet all at once something would turn up, and I have succeeded far better than I expected. Now I set this down entirely to the goodness of God, as I am very sure that the cause is good, and that His hand is ready to help. I may say here in all sincerity that so far, as I am concerned, I never had a happier year, during my 15 years' labour for the Society.

A GENERAL VIEW OF MY FIELD OF LABOUR.

The County of Northumberland is very large—I think the largest in the Province, but owing to its large districts and small population, there are very many places very poorly supplied with religious ordinances, and several places not supplied at all, and some places having a mixed community composed of Methodists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians, not enough of any to support a minister, are dependant on an occasional supply by strangers.

I was in Tabusintac last winter. They told me they had not heard a sermon for nearly six months. In many places they collect a little money and get some books for a Sabbath School, and it runs for a short time till the books are read, and then generally dies away.

A gr
want of
debt, an
those pla
me when
about hi

I fou
years old
he had i
what I k
was a gi
the hous
their bo
her one,
sowing 1
County 1
that coun
county, a
light-hou
They hav
number c

In N
Newcastl
Campbell
said to be
been glad
below De
and conv
she is sav
in His bl

Mr. J

My is
Tract Soc
and twen
John. A
books an
of familie
travelled
services, f
Bible, bu
long and
for the sa
friends to

A great many places are very destitute of the means of grace for want of a little energy. Many other settlements are poor and in debt, and are very careless about their souls. A man in one of those places told me last spring that he had got a small book from me when I was there before that taught him more than he ever knew about himself, and caused him to change his course.

I found two in my travels without a Bible—one a boy 10 or 12 years old; said he had no Bible. I asked if he would read one if he had it. He said he would, so I gave him one at 30 cents. From what I knew of him I thought he never would buy one. The other was a girl. I went to a house where I had been before, and found the house had been burned some time previous. She told me all their books were burned. She had not even a Bible left. I gave her one, and a few small books as a gift from the Society. This is sowing by the wayside. Some seeds may grow. I visited Kent County last winter, and was very well received. I sold very well in that county. I visited Escumnac, the extreme Eastern part of the county, and stayed over Sunday at Mr. Phillip's, who keeps the light-house, also a fog whistle, a telegraph national signal station. They have been always remarkably kind. I have lodged there for a number of years, and sold several dollars worth of books every time.

In November I went to the other end of the County, visiting Newcastle, Derby, Nelson, Blackville, Doaktown Boistown, Blainfield, Campbellton, and all the settlements round. I visited a poor woman said to be very ill; I read a chapter and prayed with her, and they have been glad to see me ever since. She recovered. In another settlement below Doaktown, I visited a woman on her deathbed. I prayed, read and conversed with her on Thursday, on Saturday she died. I believe she is saved through the blood of the Lamb, "For there is redemption in His blood, the forgiveness of sins," glory be to God for that.

MR. JOB WADE writes :—

My labors in the interests of the British American Book and Tract Society for the year 1886, embraced a period of six months and twenty-eight days; field—the two counties of Kings and St. John. Amount received for the sale of books, \$536.41; grants of books and tracts, \$32.26; number of family visits, 1,733; number of families conversed with on personal religion or prayed with, 604; travelled 943 miles, addressed or took part in seventeen religious services, found two families only who were entirely destitute of the Bible, but had the pleasure of replacing some which showed marks of long and frequent use, this act in some instances helps to make up for the sacrifice made by the Colporteur who leaves home and dear friends to toil in a strange land that he may in some humble way be

an instrument in the hand of the blessed Master of doing good to those who are in need.

I believe Colportage is the best means that can be employed to help the people who live in remote settlements. In consequence of which they do not have the facility for procuring the Scriptures, and those other good books which the Society always keep in stock, and which are carried to them by their agents. Were it not for this effort put forth by the Society large numbers of families would be now destitute of the Bible, and with few or no books to instruct them in the way of righteousness. I do hope and pray that the hundreds of Bibles, and other good books and tracts which I have disposed of, may prove a blessing to the people and lead them to Christ.

My field is fairly supplied with the preaching of the gospel, although there are places where the minister seldom or ever gets, and where the people hear very little preaching. This is largely made up to them by the books and tracts, and the conversation, and prayers of the Colporteur. We meet with the sick and the dying in those places, and oh, what a privilege to be able to tell them of Jesus and His love! I was informed by a lady, at whose house I had called, that a few miles off there lived a man who was very sick and very poor. While she was speaking of it his little daughter came in. Enquiry was made about the father, and we were told that he was very ill indeed. I sent by her some books and tracts to him, and called next day to see him. I found him very sick with consumption. He was extremely glad to see me. I spent about an hour with him, in talking, reading and praying, he was happy in the love of Jesus, and resting on the sure foundation. I gave him some small books and tracts suitable to his case, and as I was bidding him farewell, never to see him again in this life, he said: "Oh! can't you stay all day? You are the only praying man who has been to see me during my illness." I asked him if he was a member of any church? He said he was. I saw an account of his death shortly after.

In visiting Roman Catholics I have met with kindness. I sold to one man a small Bible. The next time I visited that place I called on him, he said that Bible had proved a great blessing to him. Its teachings had showed to him his error and led him to Jesus, "the only name given under heaven among men whereby we can be saved." He became a member of a Christian church, and I heard him rejoicing in the liberty wherewith Christ had made him free. Have supplied several Sabbath Schools with small lots of the cheap library books, and find that they please in all cases.

I will now close my report by tendering my heartiest and best thanks to ministers and people of all denominations for the many favors and kindnesses received at their hands, language would fail in

some in
hospitali

Mr.

Gene
Albert a
Septemb

I ent
sixth da
determin
should su
and faith
tabulated
sales, \$4
schools, d
meetings
tant fam
found no
in one c
There are
Protestan
The reaso
among th
members
christians
pulpit; t
Some edu
language
in other l
time is m
they also
however,
indolence
and all
versations
in no case
who defe
ness, and

I have
Tracts are
children a
grants con

some instances to give an adequate idea of the extent of their hospitality. May the Lord reward them abundantly.

MR. J. DUNCAN writes :—

General summary of Colportage in the Counties of Westmorland, Albert and Kent, Province of New Brunswick, from the 6th of September to the 31st of December, 1886 :—

I entered the service of the B. A. Book and Tract Society on the sixth day of September last with many misgivings, but with a determination to do my duty to the best of my ability, whether I should succeed or not. This purpose I have kept steadily in view, and faithfully carried out. The result of my work as far as it can be tabulated is as follows. Miles travelled, 1026; cash received for sales, \$406.17; grants, including discounts to ministers, Sabbath schools, &c., \$24.47. I have addressed or taken part in 14 public meetings; attended a number of prayer-meetings; found 33 Protestant families destitute of all religious books except the Bible. I found no Protestant family that would admit they had no Bible, but in one case it could not be found, others had only a portion of it. There are families in all the above counties professing themselves Protestant who habitually absent themselves from the House of God. The reasons given for this sinful neglect are various such as strife among the members of their own church; inconsistencies of church members and adherents; intolerance of the different bodies of christians toward each other; nothing new ever taught from the pulpit; the old truths seldom presented in a new or attractive manner. Some educated persons complain that in many churches the style of language used is so different from that of every day life, or that used in other kinds of address that they cannot listen to it. They say their time is more profitably employed in reading the newspapers, where they also get a sermon they can understand. The larger number, however, confess that the habit has arisen from carelessness, or indolence or worldliness, and acknowledge its sinfulness. With one and all I endeavoured to deal faithfully, and I trust the earnest conversations I had with them may result in good. I am glad to say that in no case did I have the misfortune to give offence, and even those who defended their conduct most vehemently treated me with kindness, and invited me to call again.

GRANTS.

I have given away a large number of tracts and small books. Tracts are eagerly sought after and read. The small books given to children are often the means of effecting sales of larger ones, but my grants consent chiefly in reductions on Bibles and New Testaments to

very old and young persons. I found many poor aged persons who loved the Bible but had no copy that they could read without great difficulty. In no case have I given away a Bible or a Testament without receiving at least two-thirds of the price.

BIBLES.

While trying to neglect no part of the work of a Colporteur I have made the selling of the Scriptures my chief work. During the short time I have been in the field I have sold 662 copies, about seven daily, prices ranging from three cents to six dollars. I have never—to my knowledge—lost an opportunity. I never enter and leave a house without finding out how the inmates are supplied. I offer the precious book to all and sundry, and in every conceivable place—to the minister in his study—to the lawyer in his office—to the doctor in his surgery—to the merchant and clerk in the store—to the blacksmith at the forge—to the carpenter at the bench—to the shoemaker at his work—to the farmer in his home, his barn, his fields, at the annual fair and at the polling booth. I have sold it to the black man as well as to the white. I have even gone into the wigwam of the Indian, but there I found no readers and no purchasers, but even there a word can be spoken for the Master.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

These are established in most districts I have visited. I have spent much valuable time with ministers, Sunday school superintendents, and teachers, but am sorry to say I have not as yet succeeded in selling any of the books from the reduced price list, although all expressed themselves pleased. One of the greatest difficulties the colporteur has to contend with is the impression that he has a personal interest in the sales he makes, being paid accordingly. So deep rooted is this idea that I have almost ceased to combat it.

SPIRITUAL LIFE.

I have conversed with many persons on personal religion, and have derived great good to myself from many of them, but large numbers confess that they are living indifferent to spiritual things—many, I fear most—neglect family worship. Some say to me, When father was alive we always had prayers evening and morning. Others say they had family worship at one time but have not kept it up. Most of those conversed with discussed the subject with perfect frankness, and wives and mothers invariably joined with me in urging the male head of the family to commence or resume the observance of the God-given institution. It would, however, be very unfair not to add that in most professed christian families the parents told me they daily prayed in secret night and morning, and taught

their chil
people o
grieved r
grave—e
reply, Th
trifling.
cometh w

My fi
many pla
and some
This aris
its own,
regular s
tendency
and in
harmonic
beyond
gospel to
to promo
tion in o

are estab
number o
with any
have atte
them.

I hav
sell the D
latter wh
give smal
English r
sermon l
and like
better tha
waiting u
both Fre
I forgot t
the Bible
person be
often sell

their children to do the same. The conversations I had with the people on personal religion were, on the whole, refreshing, but it grieved me to find many—some of them old men on the brink of the grave—eager to draw me into religious controversy. To all such I reply, The days are too short, and even life itself is too short, for such trifling. I tell them my rule is “work while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work.”

SUPPLY OF THE MEANS OF GRACE.

My field, so far as yet explored, is well supplied with churches, in many places there are too many, it is no uncommon thing to find two and sometimes three churches where one would be amply sufficient. This arises from each denomination striving to maintain a church of its own, while the people find it almost impossible to maintain a regular supply of preaching. Still on the whole I find a strong tendency on the part of all earnest christians to draw closer together, and in most places the different evangelical bodies are working harmoniously, and the ministers working together faithfully and beyond their strength to overtake their work, and to “preach the gospel to every creature” within their reach. Colportage can do much to promote this christian charity and help to supply the lack of instruction in out of the way districts.

PRAYER MEETINGS

are established in most places and are fairly well attended, a large number of those present taking a part. I have not come in contact with any special revival movement except the Salvation Army. I have attended some of their meetings, but have not spoken at any of them.

ROMAN CATHOLICS.

I have visited 119 families, Irish and French. To the former I sell the Douay version of the New Testament, and sometimes to the latter when they can read it. I also leave them suitable tracts and give small books to the children when I find they can read. I find English newspapers in many R. C. homes, and often these contain a sermon by Talmage and others. They say they read the sermons and like the teaching, but affirm that Protestants are not any better than Roman Catholics, and that they are not as diligent in waiting upon the means of grace. This is but too true. The R. C., both French and Irish, are, without exception, kind and hospitable. I forgot to mention that they often ask me for their own version of the Bible as well as the New Testament, and I have sold to the same person both the Douay Testament and the Protestant Bible. I can often sell our books to educated Roman Catholics.

KINDNESS RECEIVED.

With some exceptions I have been kindly received. At a few places I have stayed I have not been charged, but as a rule both rich and poor look for payment in one way or another. One reason of this is the large number of book agents and peddlars of all kinds on my ground who get along as cheaply as they can, some of them acting very meanly if the truth be spoken. Another reason perhaps is that I am too independent and do not urge the claims of the Society as I ought. One night I wrought too late, and was refused lodging at two places, night very dark—road bad and unknown to me—six miles from the nearest town; resolved to push on, was not long before I saw a light, in a barn and made for it. Two young men were cleaning buckwheat, told me they were working the place on the shares, but said if I would wait I could go home with them. I set to work and helped them to finish which we did between twelve and one o'clock. They provided for me comfortably.

CONVERSIONS BY MEANS OF TRACTS AND BOOKS.

Of this I cannot yet speak as I have not gone over much of my ground a second time. All I can say the seed has been sown with no stinted hand. Often rising early and working late, in order that I might do my work as thoroughly as possible, and amid much to dishearten, rejoicing to carry joy and gladness into the dwellings of rich and poor, and to leave some sunshine in every home entered.

NOVA SCOTIA.

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

During the year 1886 eight men were employed whose united service equalled that of one man for fifty-two months. They travelled 10742 miles. They sold books and Bibles to the value of \$4818.96. They granted \$380.95 worth; 260 public meetings were held. There were found 77 families destitute of all religious books, except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible, there were found 57. To the homes of Roman Catholics, 374 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching, 184 families were found. In 7688 families, there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayer was offered. The whole number of family visits paid was 17,459.

MR. A. R. McQUEEN writes :—

During the year just ending I labored for the Society 11 months and 25 days; travelled 3000 miles; sold in round numbers \$1200 worth of books; made grants to the amount of \$59; found 13 Protestant families who habitually neglect attending evangelical preaching and five destitute of Bibles.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

The scarcity of money this year had a perceptible effect on my sales, particularly in the line of S. S. I am aware of several instances where libraries were needed that the want of funds kept from being supplied. But notwithstanding this I sold for the last eight months over 1500 vols. to S. S., which gave general satisfaction both as to matter and price.

The influence for good of a well conducted S. S. in charge of a well trained superintendent and taught by a zealous band of teachers, will be acknowledged by all who give the subject a thought. In no way can we better reach children whose religious training has been neglected at home. Permit me here to relate an incident that came under my notice last summer. In a certain congregation of my acquaintance a young lady convert came to her pastor expressing a desire to do something for Christ, but could think of no special work. The pastor suggested to her the idea of gathering the young children that could not read into a Sunday School class and teach them orally. This she did with success. By such means the young are early taught to learn that *wonderful story of the Cross*.

Although the Society does much in helping S. Schools in supplying, at cheap rates, all needful helps and suitable libraries well calculated to build Christian character, its more fruitful field is in the introducing into every family good books aiming at leading the sinner to Christ, and inculcating Christian principles. In this way the immoral and pernicious literature that is so fascinating and injurious to the youthful mind is supplanted, and in no way perhaps is this more successfully done than through the agency of the colporteur. Within the last year I visited 4000 families and sold a book to or left some tracts with each family. Now supposing that with each of those families I left an immoral book or a trashy novel, and averaging each family at five persons able to read, I would be supplying 20,000 readers in one year with poisonous food. And supposing this was continued for years, what would be the effect on society and our institutions? Would not such a circumstance be a subject of deep concern and alarm to our people? And if the supplying of so many bad books would cause alarm and make us fear for the consequence, should not the supplying or circulating of so

many good books be a cause of thankfulness, and a stimulus to all christian people, to aid cheerfully by their means and sympathy, a work that of necessity must effect for good the reading and rising generation.

BIBLE DESTITUTION.

I met with five cases of Bible destitution. These I supplied free of charge. All but one, an orphan boy, represented families in poor circumstances. One, a married woman, told me her husband couldn't read but that she could read herself, but had no Bible nor money to buy one. On my giving her one she expressed herself highly satisfied, and promised to read it to her husband as opportunities offered.

PICTOU ISLAND.

I visited Pictou Island in September. I went over by sail-boat on a Saturday evening with Mr. Hogg, who took me to his house where I was very kindly treated. On Sunday evening I addressed the Sabbath School. Monday morning I started with Mr. McDonald who drove me, with his horse and carriage, to the different houses on the island. There are about 25 families living there who are nearly if not all of Scotch descent. They are famed for their hospitality, and I found them nothing behind their reputation in that respect. They have a good day school and keep Sunday School regularly during the summer months, but they have no regular preaching, having no stationed minister, and are not within easy reach of the mainland. Monday night I held a prayer meeting in the school house which was well attended. On Tuesday I got a chance of a return passage to Pictou, and bade farewell to the islanders who treated me with the utmost kindness, particularly Mr. McDonald who would take no pay for his horse and carriage that he drove me with, nor for entertainment for myself for two nights.

CLERGYMEN.

I am under great obligations to clergymen who materially help me in my work and favor me with a large share of patronage. In this connection permit me to make favorable mention of the Rev. R. Cumming, Westville; Rev. A. McLean, Hopewell; Rev. Dr. McLeod, Vale Colliery; Rev. Mr. Fitzpatrick, Saltspring; Rev. Mr. Lord, Merigomish; Rev. Mr. Fraser, Roger's Hill; Rev. Mr. Murray, New Glasgow; Rev. Mr. McCurdy, New Glasgow, and last though not least the Rev. C. A. Melville, Hopewell, who is the largest purchaser of the Society's books of any in my circuit. He is ever ready to advocate its claims and bring it into favorable notice. I forward you to-day a donation from his congregation collected for the Society.

Mr.

I en
the year
month a
County,
passed t
say that
distinct
very effi
faithful
that Go
nine fan
for the
former
plished
faithful.

I fir
especial
been sta
expresse
observat
have ren
evangel
much to
voice o
homes is
But the
workers
Seed so
prayer f

Mr.

I ha
Society
2420 m
public
preach
any rel
Catholic
where I
Testame
that I w
beside a

MR. A. B. FLETCHER writes :—

I enclose my statistical report of my labours for the Society for the year 1886, which shows that I have been in your employ for one month and two days. My field was in the eastern part of Lunenburg County, known here as the township of Chester. Four years ago I passed through the same field, and it gives me pleasure to be able to say that the signs of religious and intellectual movement are quite distinctly marked. The schools are in better condition, the teachers very efficient, and quite enthusiastic in their work. The Gospel is faithfully preached, but there are yet some spots where the light of that Gospel does not shine very brightly. The sad fact that I found nine families without a Bible tells its own tale. I can hardly account for the fact that I missed discovering these destitute families on my former visit, but it teaches me that all the work can not be accomplished in one tour through a district though one may be ever so faithful.

I find the taste for reading increasing rapidly in this county, especially among the young. Since my former visit a bookstore has been started at Mahone Bay, and I am told that the proprietor has expressed surprise at the demand for books. I am convinced by my observation that the minister of the Cross, and all who love Zion, have reason to "thank God and take courage" for the success of evangelistic labours among the people of this country. Yet there is much to be done. Strong drink is still doing its deadly work, the voice of blasphemy is yet too often heard, the Sabbath in many homes is not yet "called a delight," and many other evils abound. But the victory will be on the side of the Gospel of Christ. Let the workers in every department of the vineyard not slacken their hand. Seed sown will produce fruit, and "much fruit" if toil is watered by prayer for the out-pouring of the Spirit.

MR. ARCHIE MCPHAIL'S report :—

I have been employed by the British American Book and Tract Society since the first of February last, during which time I travelled 2420 miles, visited 2215 families, conducted and assisted in 54 public meetings, and found 95 families that neglected evangelical preaching. Also 23 families destitute of the Bible, and 43 without any religious books except the Bible. I also visited 49 Roman Catholic families and sold \$891.85 worth of books, and made grants where I met with cases of great destitution, books chiefly Bibles and Testaments and Tracts to the amount of \$78.27. During the time that I worked for the Society I sold 1379 Bibles and Testaments, beside a large amount of other religious literature.

LUNENBURG COUNTY.

I shall begin with Lunenburg County where I first laboured. In this County, at St. Margaret's Bay, I found seven Protestant families destitute of the Bible and of all religious books. To these I made grants of Bibles, Testaments and tracts, and from that place down to Chester, a distance of about 30 miles, I found but one Sabbath School, and although I constantly pressed on them the duty and necessity of establishing and conducting a Sabbath School in every school section, yet they appeared to be indifferent and unwilling to engage in the work. I fell in with many sick folk who seemed to appreciate the "Word of Life." During the time I laboured on the shores of Lunenburg I supplied the fishing crafts and other vessels in the harbours with books and tracts; some at least of these I feel assured have been the means of arousing their readers to a sense of their need of attending to the one thing needful—even the salvation of their never dying souls. In several instances I found some of the tracts I had distributed a short time before in the possession of parties 30 miles distant which had been sent to them by some of their friends who had derived benefit from reading them themselves and who wished to impart spiritual good to others. One great hinderance to the success of our work in this locality arises from the fact that a large proportion of the inhabitants are unable to read and therefore cannot avail themselves of the aid afforded by colportage.

I endeavoured to visit as far as possible all out of the way places, especially such as were not regularly supplied with the preaching of the Gospel, and these I sometimes found to appreciate the aid of colportage more than others more favorably situated. I met with many persons who could trace their conversion to the visits of the late Mr. Murdock McGregor, student of divinity, who laboured as a colporteur among them for a considerable time. I have much pleasure in adding my humble testimony to the fact that here as in several other places his labours were not in vain in the Lord and, "that although he is dead yet speaketh," also the labours and visits of Mr. A. B. Fletcher were much appreciated by many here, and he deserves honourable mention in this connection.

It would be gross ingratitude on my part to pass over in silence the many instances of kindness, hospitality, and friendly advices and instruction received from ministers of the Gospel. Rev. E. D. Millar, of Lunenburg town, rendered much faithful and valuable service to the Society by circulating tracts among the fishermen of that place. [Our colporteur proceeds to thank and eulogise Mr. Fraser, of Mahone Bay, and Mr. Crawford of Riversdale.]

This
Colport
Liverpo
the sett
places,
the pur
case, ov
of the p
take a

In t
religiou
appreci
to repl
also dis
tions a
are ver
total f
Highlan
who se
meeting
all who
solemn
proceed
my sale
the peo
place n
who w
opportu
shore r
anxious
that on
Dartmo
route I
plaint c

MR.
Boston
native
aided h
for the

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

This region I found to be in a special need of the services of a Colporteur, and many of the people seem to appreciate his services. Liverpool and Bridgewater are the chief market-places, and many of the settlers are living from twenty to thirty miles distant from these places, so that their visits must be few and far between. Very often the purchase of books is left to the last, or is as is not unfrequently the case, overlooked altogether. My time in this county was, on account of the precarious state of my health, necessarily cut short. I had to take a rest for a short time to recover my health and spirits.

GUYSBOROUGH AND ANTIGONISH.

In these counties I found many who, having been supplied with religious literature by our Colporteurs in former years, had learned to appreciate its value, and were only too glad to have an opportunity to replenish their stock. I was quite successful in selling books. I also distributed and made large grants of tracts and cheap publications among the poor fishermen on the coast, who, I regret to say, are very destitute this season as the fishing has turned out to be a total failure. I fell in with some pious and intelligent Scotch Highlanders on South River of Antigonish and East River St. Mary's who seemed to appreciate my visits. I conducted several prayer meetings with them in the Gaelic language, I may say with benefit to all who were present. This was manifested by the earnestness and solemnity with which they listened to the Word of God. Thence I proceeded by the shore route from Sherbrook to Goldenville where my sales were very small; but I gave away many tracts as I found the people generally destitute of means to buy. The mines of that place not being in a very flourishing state, many were unable to buy who would under more favorable circumstances be glad to have the opportunity. From Goldenville I came to Liscomb and followed the shore route to Dartmouth, and I found the people generally very anxious to buy books if they had means. Some expressed the hope that on my return visit they would be able to purchase. From Dartmouth I went to Musquodoboit on the Guysboro' road, on this route I visited several of the gold mines, but found the same complaint common to them all namely the want of funds.

MR. MCPHAIL refers to the field for colportage in the city of Boston which he visited last autumn. Mr. Donald McDonald, a native P. E. Island, and Mr. John McLeod, of West Bay, C. B., aided him very materially in raising funds among their acquaintances for the benefit of the Society.

Mr. J. C. JOHNSON writes :—

At the close of another year I am reminded that a report is expected. I am often asked if it pays to go around with books these hard times when money is so scarce. My answer is yes, God blesses his own word when left by the Colporteur in the homes of the unsaved. People are learning more of our Society every year, and appreciate more highly the work being done by us. A donor of the Society remarked to me that when he read the report for last year he felt amply rewarded for having invested his money in a Society which was doing so much good. An intelligent Christian mother said to me with much emphasis, "your books are the greatest prize that can come into our homes." I often find people with money laid aside for the special purpose of buying books from me when I come. In one case the children of one family had been saving three dollars for ten months, eagerly looking forward to my arrival with books. Four years ago I met with a family composed of husband, wife, and six children, who said that they had never had a Bible in their house. They bought one from me then, and I learned on my visit to them this year that it was now their daily companion, and that it had already, and is still, proving a blessing to them. I found four families this year without a Bible. This year a Roman Catholic lady very eagerly bought from me a "British Workman," at the same time informing me that on a previous visit she had bought a "Band of Hope Review," which had been nearly worn out with so much reading. I generally meet with a cordial reception from Roman Catholic families. Incidents are often related to me showing how the books and tracts I have distributed have been the means of conversions. In one instance a thoughtless young man received a gospel tract accompanied by a few earnest words spoken which led him to Jesus. Through his influence two of his companions are now earnest Christian workers. Another time a little five year old boy was presented with a little book which he always called "My come to Jesus book." One of the neighbors being ill his father often sent him with newspapers for the sick man to read, and on one occasion he took with him his own little book, and said to him, "Father and mother say you are going to die, and I have brought you my 'come to Jesus book' to read." So deep was the impression made that the newspapers were laid aside, and the little book was read and studied with good results, and when near death he sent for his little missionary, as he always afterwards called little Joseph. Truly, "Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings Thou hast perfected praise."

Throughout Colchester County the supply of means of grace is good. In many places very much more interest is manifested in religious affairs than formerly, Sunday Schools and prayer-meetings

being
former
Du
year I
books a
The sc
not fro
charged

Genera

Du
equalle
They so
\$108.0
families
Of fam
of Rom
who la
found.
of relig
visits p

Mr.
The
Colport

I lab
time I
grants t
found 3
Bible, a
families
neglect
816 fam

My
Breton i
All the

being sustained with interest in many places where they did not formerly exist.

During the seven months and fourteen days of my work this year I have travelled 1,379 miles, sold \$826.71 worth of books, gave books and tracts to the amount of \$44.63, made 2,483 family visits. The scarcity of money prevents very many from buying books, but not from using hospitality without grudging. I have not been charged this year for one meal or a night's lodging.

CAPE BRETON.

General Summary of Colportage in the Island of Cape Breton with Extracts from Colporteur Reports.

During the year 1886, 3 men were employed, whose united service equalled that of one man for 2 years. They travelled 4392 miles. They sold books and Bibles to the value of \$1239 80. They granted \$108.08, 277 public meetings were held. There were found 45 families who were destitute of all religious books, except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible, there were found 12. To the homes of Roman Catholics 161 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching, 92 families were found. In 1568 families there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayer was offered. The whole number of family visits paid was 3519.

MR. MALCOLM MCLEOD writes :—

The following is a condensed statement of my labours as a Colporteur during the year 1886 :—

I laboured for the Society 10 months and 7 days. During that time I travelled 1915 miles; sold \$589.11 worth of books; made grants to the amount of \$50.52; conducted 135 public meetings; found 3 Protestant families destitute of all religious books except the Bible, and 5 Protestant families destitute of the Bible. I visited 19 families of Roman Catholics, and 6 Protestant families who habitually neglect the house of God; spoke on personal religion or prayed with 816 families and made in all 1416 visits.

GENERAL VIEW.

My field, which comprises the two counties of Victoria and Cape Breton is, on the whole, well supplied with evangelical preaching. All the hitherto vacant congregations have now settled ministers

except Little Narrows, which, with Middle River, formerly formed one ministerial charge, but is now a distinct one. The Sabbath is respected and, on the whole, well kept. The people attend in the sanctuary on the Lord's day. Prayer meetings are held in all the congregations, both on Sunday and on week days, but in many places they are not as well attended as they should be, especially on week days. Sabbath schools are also kept in all the towns and mining districts, and in most country places, and are well attended. The moral tone of the people, so far as I can judge, is improving. The abominable liquor traffic, which is a most prolific source of immorality, is being vigorously suppressed by our temperance societies. There has been quite a revival in religion in some sections of my field during the year. In Sydney, North Sydney, Sydney Mines, Cow Bay and Glace Bay, in connection with the services of Messrs. Meikle and Gerrior; and in Baddeck in connection with the services of Mr. Vans. In most of those places there was a silent work going on since the "week of prayer" last January, but was more thoroughly aroused by the services of the evangelists. There was quite a number added to the roll of the different evangelical churches. Some who were ringleaders in sin and folly are now testifying on the side of the Lord Jesus; some who occupied high and honourable positions in the world consider it now their greatest honour and privilege to sit at the feet of Christ and learn of Him who is meek and lowly in heart. And the lower they stoop there the more and better will they learn, and the more will they receive of the precious ointment flowing down to the skirts of Aaron's garments. Were the rich and those in authority to throw down their crowns at the feet of King Jesus, and to use their influence on the side of holiness how soon would this "wilderness of woe" be changed like unto the garden of the Lord. We are not at all to suppose that all those who made a public profession at those revival meetings, or even all those who joined the church, were really converted. Some have even already "gone aside after Satan." The finest gold has its dross, and the finest wheat its chaff; but the refiner will purify the gold, and the chaff will be carried away by the wind, and what is left will be precious to the Lord.

COLPORTAGE.

I find that wherever there is a revival of religion the Colporteur is more welcome, his services more appreciated, and the books he carries more eagerly sought for. This itself shows that colportage is sent of God and is helpful to religion. The Colporteur's work is not mainly that of carrying good books from house to house, though that itself is worth double its cost, for who can estimate the value of having good books brought to our doors several times during the

year, at
book-st
with th
which t
address
where o
sinners
and su
indiffer
and "co
"Home
the Chu
clime, w
round,—
wants o
regard v
regard t
and help

Dur
of these
cannot e
I often
bleed wi
I was at
son of J
with an
him hom
straw up
was brok
fractured
do anyth
children
to the w
was the c
Christ la
the Mast
know ve
Protestan
sufferings
love of G
They sai
wound w

year, and that cheaper than they can be procured in the common book-stores? But he is a *Home Missionary* besides. He co-operates with the ministers in their different fields; works in the outskirts which they cannot overtake; speaks to the people in their homes; addresses them in public and in private meetings; tells them everywhere of the love of Christ, and of the way He has opened for sinners to escape the wrath to come. The poor are thus reached, and supplied with the Bread of Life; those who are careless and indifferent about waiting upon the Lord in His sanctuary are enticed and "compelled to come in that His house may be filled." Other "Home Missionaries" who are more under the care and protection of the Church leave us in winter, like the robbers, to seek a more genial climate, while we, the Colporteurs, remain like the crows, all the year round,—not picking the crumbs at the doors but ministering to the wants of the needy, the dying and the forlorn. I think that all who regard what is pure, what is lovely, what is of good report, and who regard the moral well-being of their fellow-creatures should encourage and help this noble work—this *limb* of the Church of Christ.

TRACTS AND INCIDENTS.

During the year, as stated above, I made 1416 visits. In many of these I met the sick, the dying, the dead and the bereaved. I cannot express in words the sympathy I felt for some whom I met. I often felt when leaving the house of mourning as if my heart would bleed within me. I can only mention a few incidents here. When I was at Sydney mines last fall word went round one morning that a son of John Morrison was killed in the pit. I hastened, in company with another christian friend, to the scene. They had just taken him home when we got there. The corpse was stretched on some straw upon the floor, with a piece of canvas thrown over. The skull was broken and the brains dashed out. The father had his ankle fractured in the pit the week before and was lying in bed unable to do anything but weep and moan. The mother broke down; the children all sobbing and crying, and every new coming relative adding to the wailing. This young man was his father's help and stay. He was the eldest of the boys, about 17 years of age. He professed Christ last spring, and was taking part in the prayer-meeting, and now the Master had called him up higher. When I went in I did not know very well what to do. The house was full of Catholics and Protestants. However, I took the Bible and read to them the sufferings of Job, and other passages, calling their attention to the love of God in the sufferings of Christ, and then prayed with them. They said they were reconciled to the will of God, but still the wound was there.

I visited an old lady whose husband died, and whose son fell out of a waggon and was brought home dead since I was to see them last. She was alone in the house when I entered. When she saw me she burst out weeping. She then told me her sad tale, mourning most bitterly for her son. I tried to comfort her, reading passages of Scripture to her and then prayed. I spoke to her about her own salvation, but my words did not seem to have any effect. She would continually cry, "Dan my darling! he was so good to me." I left with a sorrowful heart, remembering the words of Paul, "The sorrow of this world worketh death."

I was at the death bed of an eminent christian—Donald McAulay, Red Head, Baddeck—and saw him fall asleep in Jesus. He was an elder in Baddeck congregation for a long time, and was an able lay preacher, and a warm friend to all the Colporteurs who went his way. I remember the first night I was to his house with books, when we were taking in my trunks I wanted to leave them in the kitchen, "No, no," said he, "the best place in the house for the ark."

I visited many on beds of sickness. I found several on the very borders of eternity bracing themselves up with the vain hope of recovery and therefore not crying for mercy yet, while others were deceiving themselves that they were trusting in the mercy of God without any knowledge of the Mediator between God and man. I always endeavoured to show their folly, and pointed out to them from the word of God the way of salvation. I asked the other day of an old man who is on his death-bed, "What is your hope for the future?" "Oh, I hope in the living God," said he, "that He will not put me to the left with the wicked, but that He will take me to the right with the happy people there." But I could not learn that he associated with the "happy people" here. He could not have much love for the people of God, nor for God either, as seldom, if ever, he was seen in the house of God, but as he was about to die he would rather go with them.

I one day visited the Sydney jail. The jailor kindly led me through the different wards. In one of the wards was a young man—a sailor. I asked him what brought him here. He said, "Myself and some more of the sailors aboard the steamer took a hide of leather into the fore-castle. It was found with us, and as I was the leader I was committed here for three months." "What is your name?" "Harry Dymott." "Where do you belong to?" "To N—P—, England." "Are you married?" "I have a wife and three children." After a few more questions I spoke to him about the salvation of his soul. I showed him if the law of man was so inflexible as to commit him for one breach of it, and would not let him escape until a complete satisfaction was given, what must the law of God be, and for how many breaches of that law we would all

have
satis
shal
fixed
of us
we v
poor
fello
a Bi
prov
I
the
brea
deed
bette
liqu
"Ye
trans
sir.
out o
A
wish
"Do
sins."
I fee
Chris
don't
your
"WI
give
taugh
will o
A
husb
more
A
which
suitab
A
which
A
last ti
part
was t
just s

whose son fell out
was to see them
When she saw
ad tale, mourning
reading passages
er about her own
fect. She would
to me." I left
aul, "The sorrow

Donald McAulay,
us. He was an
was an able lay
ho went his way.
books, when we
in the kitchen,
the ark."
eral on the very
he vain hope of
hile others were
mercy of God
d and man. I
ed out to them
d the other day
ou hope for the
"that He will
will take me to
I not learn that
could not have
seldom, if ever,
about to die he

kindly led me
as a young man
said, "Myself
hide of leather
was the leader I
s your name?"
"To N—
wife and three
him about the
f man was so
would not let
what must the
y we would all

have to plead guilty at God's bar. I showed him how Christ satisfied the law on our behalf, and that whosoever believeth in Him shall not be condemned. While I was speaking his eyes were fixed upon me, as if he was hearing for his life. We then, the three of us, knelt on the hard, white-washed stone floor, and prayed. I think we were all in tears when we got up, I was for one anyhow. The poor fellow had no Bible of his own, but had the loan of one from a fellow prisoner, and had it under the pillow in his bunk. I gave him a Bible, some good little books and tracts. I hope his trip to jail will prove a blessing to him.

In the next ward was a young bare-footed boy sitting on a mat on the floor. "What brought you here?" I said. "I am here for breaking a store, sir," he said. "What led you to do that wicked deed?" "Liquor and bad company, sir." "Well, will you be a better boy after this?" "Yes, sir." "Will you drink any more liquor?" "No sir, never." "Will you keep clear of bad company?" "Yes sir, I will." "You see now the evil of sin—that the way of transgressors is hard?" "Yes sir, I do." "Can you read?" "No sir. When I was sent to school I would not stay in, but if I'll get out o' here I'll go to school." "How old are you?" "Seventeen, sir."

A little girl who was in trouble of soul came where I was one day wishing to speak to me. "What is wrong with you?" I said. "Don't know, sir." "Anything troubling you?" "Yes sir, my sins." "What sins have you committed?" "Don't know, sir; only I feel that I am a sinner." "And what do you want?" "I want Christ." "Do you pray?" "No sir." "Aye, you want Christ and don't pray?" "No sir, I don't know how to pray." "Do you bend your knee at all?" "Oh, yes; but I don't know how to pray." "What do you say when you are on your knees?" "I tell God to give me light." I then spoke to her of the way of salvation, and taught her what and how to ask, and prayed with her. I hope she will continue to seek till she find.

A lady said to me one day: "By reading Talmage's sermons my husbands views were changed, and he became a new man, so I have more of a liking for them since."

A young lady said to me: "That little book, 'Come to Jesus,' which you gave me was a great comfort to me, its words were so suitable."

Another said to me: "I would rather that book—Mr. Cheyne's—which I bought from you than a silk dress."

Another man said to me: "That book I bought from you the last time you were round is the best book I ever read. I wouldn't part with it for anything." "What book was it?" I asked. "It was that book you recommended to me—I think it is Guthrie's. It just suited my case."

DESTITUTION.

As stated above, I found five Protestant families without a Bible. One of these was an aged widow who formerly lived in the county of Inverness, where she had her house burnt, and lost all her books. After that she lived away out on a mountain, till she came in to the settlement last year. When I visited her all the books she had was an old Psalm book. She said if she would study that itself it would do her. I gave her a Bible and some little books.

I had my trunk open one day at a fishing station with quite a number of people round, either buying or looking on, when a tall man leaning on a staff a little to one side said, "I wish I had money to buy a Bible." "Have you a Bible at home, sir?" I said. "No sir, not any." "Why; do you drink when you have no Bible?" "No sir," said several voices, "he is a sober man, but he fell into the hold of a vessel and got crippled." I gave him a nice Bible and some other little books, with which he was highly delighted.

The day following I was working along the rugged shore of Louisburg, the road was so bad that I never ventured to go that way before, and waggons seldom go that way—where I found two Protestant families without a Bible, and not being able at the time to buy any I gave them one a piece.

I found a young couple, lately married, and just starting on the voyage of life, with only a small Testament in the house. They bought a Bible and paid for it some time afterwards.

SALES.

Last winter was very unpropitious for my work. The roads were most of the time half bare and half covered with snow banks, not fit for either sleigh or waggon, consequently I did not work full time, and my sales were very low. The last two months of the year too were not very successful, owing to the scarcity of money and broken weather. However, my sales were some \$45 ahead of last year's sales.

HOSPITALITY.

As usual, I meet with much kindness in my travels. The people show me all the kindness and respect they can; their homes are open to me, and I believe their hearts too. I am home wherever I go, both in towns and on the country. The ministers of the Gospel too show me much kindness, and help me on in my work. And 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. And may the Lord supply their wants out of His fullness in glory through Jesus Christ.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

General Summary of Colportage in Newfoundland, including Labrador, with Extracts from Colporteur Reports.

During the year 1886, three men were employed, whose united service equalled that of one man for 16 months. They travelled 890 miles. They sold books and Bibles to value \$1156.87. They granted \$208.76 worth; 80 public meetings were held. There were found 178 families who were destitute of all religious books, except the Bible. Of families who had no Bible, there were found 35. To the homes of Roman Catholics, 226 visits were paid. Of nominal Protestants who habitually neglect evangelical preaching, 101 families were found. In 427 families, there was personal conversation on matters of religion, or prayers were offered. The whole number of family visits paid was 2190.

MR. GEORGE ALLEN writes :—

Let me give you an account of my first day's work in Twillingate. After attending to sundries, I went out this afternoon. In the first house after a little conversation, I found the husband had met me on the Labrador, where God was blessing us during our fishing season with a revival of his work. The wife had met me at Catlina, where I held a prayer meeting. Here I had profitable conversation. In the next house I met a woman who seemed to have known the Scriptures from her youth, but she failed to apply the promises to her comfort just when she most needed them. Our little talk did us both good. A third house, the porch about 3 feet by 6, a kitchen about 6 or 7 feet square,—a family of six, but everything was very clean. The wife confessed she did not have the love of God. She was poor but intelligent, and could read. She was using every effort to educate her family. A fourth quite the opposite in every sense. * * * * Without a leaf of literature or a Bible. The wife said her husband could read; he would like to have a Testament, which I gave her with a few tracts. They were a family of seven. The miserable hut looked as if it would fall any moment. A fifth—little better residence than the former, but without a Bible, or a leaf of reading matter. I gave them a Bible and some tracts. Conversed with the old man, and found him ignorant indeed. A sixth; here I found people who knew me better than I knew them, and gave me a cordial welcome. They were fond of books, but had no money to purchase any. In the seventh, no one home but the children. In the eighth, I met the woman by the door. She did not ask me in; she had no money.

She had seen better times. I gave her some tracts and passed on. In the ninth, I met the woman also at the door. She could not buy; did not want to see the books; did not ask me in. I opened the valise to give her some tracts; she went and got 5 cents for me. In the tenth, I met a woman whose husband told me last year he had the Bible, and that was enough for him. An hour's debate proved the contrary. The woman was friendly and bought a little. In the eleventh, only the woman was at home. She could not buy. She had no money, but so thankful for the tracts and little books I gave her! The only bit of money they had got this summer was for milk she sold. This they gave for minister's fee. It is hard to get even a bit of food. In the twelfth house I found a widow. She was milking the cow. That done, I went in with her, she requesting me as having given her boy a Testament four years ago when I travelled for the Bible Society. At the next house we had a prayer-meeting.

My Second Day. * * * I overtook a person on her way home. Her house was one of the first I visited in the morning. She almost begged me to call again. I had sold her two books; one was "Glad Tidings." She appeared quite overjoyed while relating what she had read from that book. After a few encouraging remarks I bade her good night, promising to call if I could.

An old woman showed me a book that had been given her by one of the Society's Colporteurs, "Thy Days," which I saw had been well used; she seemed to prize it much. She was troubled with a bad head, which affected her eyes. I gave her another large print, for which she was very thankful, "A Saviour for You."

A woman related to me that her little girl of 3 years who, having heard her grandmamma was sick, said she must get down and pray for her, that God would make her better. She got down on her knees and asked her mother to teach her to pray for grandmamma; and gave her mother no peace until she taught her to pray for her. Her oldest little boy of 6 years died last year; her little girl, just 4 years, said to her mother, "Why do you call Johnny poor? Mamma, don't you say heaven is a nice place? Do they want any cake there?" The mother said, "No." "Is it always warm there?" "Yes." "Are they always happy?" "Yes." "Don't they want anything there?" "No." "Then, mamma, Johnny is not poor. He is rich, and she will never call him poor." She also gave me an account of her conversion, and her struggle to maintain religion. She was converted at 12 years of age. At that time they were very poor. The night of her conversion she went home, and her grandfather took her by the hand and said, "I hope in 20 years' time you will be able to say:

"Time has passed away since I begun to pray
And I love the Lord to-day, bless his name."

But she
her to a
be a da
afterwa
left me.
she, "I
cheeks
she cou
her tha
said she
fortable
Our
Par
Not a l
As
As we
made o
there?"
would g
it was
forgot it
we part
The
old Bib
few tra
another
to purc
prayer a
In a
had not
the bui
buy an
more m
In t
more.
money t
In the k
gave the
were ver
At
purchase
home.
At M
had been
There h
Mr. Sla

But she had to go out to service, among those that would not allow her to attend Methodist services. Almost every week there would be a dance in the house, which at first she refused to join in, but afterwards she yielded. She added: "I think the Holy Spirit has left me. I do not think there is any pardon for me." "But," said she, "I do pray earnestly to God," and the tears rolled down her cheeks while she talked. I told her if the Holy Spirit had left her she could not pray; she would have no desire to pray. I assured her that it is the Holy Spirit that moves her to pray. "Oh sir," said she with earnestness, "if I was sure of that, I should be comfortable." I said, "You may be quite sure!"

Our Colporteur adds other cases:

Parents eight years married; two churches close by their dwelling. Not a Bible in their house; they could not buy. I gave them one.

As I journeyed to a neighbouring village a man overtook me. As we walked along he asked, "Do you remember having camp made on the Labrador about 10 years ago?" "Yes, I do; were you there?" "Indeed I was; and that Sunday I shall never forget. I would go 10 miles any Sunday to such services as that. Well, sir, it was three years after that before I got converted, but I never forgot it, sir. I have talked of it thousands of times since." Here we parted, as our roads lay in different directions.

The first house in this little settlement of 20 houses they had an old Bible, or part of one, and no other book of any kind. I gave a few tracts and a small book. A woman came in at the time from another house. She said they had not a book to read, nor a penny to purchase one. I gave them what I thought prudent, and after prayer as I arose to leave, they thanked me much.

In another house they said I was welcome to come in, but they had not a penny to buy with. A woman living in the other end of the building came in and bought a prayer-book. She thought to buy another small book; she went and searched, but she had no more money.

In the next ten houses I took about 60 cents. Gave away 60 more. Such appeared to be the relish for good books that had the money been there, I must have sold 60 shillings instead of 60 cents. In the last house I visited the mother had one shilling, for which I gave them a ninepenny prayer-book and "Gospel Trumpet." They were very thankful.

At Exploits they made me come and stay at the house, and purchased all the books they could, and urged me to call on my way home.

At Martin's Harbor I was kindly received. One man, to whom I had been a blessing the previous year, was overjoyed on seeing me. There has been a great work of God in this place under the Rev. Mr. Slatcher.

At New Bay Head, where under God I had been instrumental for good on a former occasion, I found a home, and sold books in almost every house. One man said, "Never pass by without calling in, we are always glad to see you, and we will buy all the books we can from you."

At another place they were too poor to buy books, but as I travelled around five different persons offered me their houses to hold service in. I gave as much time to preaching and praying among them as I could. At another place some parties were hauling their trap, they knew my boat left the trap and overtook me to ask after myself and the books, and chided me for passing the little place where they lived. It was far out of my way. They wanted books and Bibles. A woman saw the bookseller's boat at another man's wharf, she was overjoyed at the prospect of having another season of prayer, and of buying some more good books. Another man, who would buy any easy, earnest book on holiness, urged me whenever I came that way again to try to be there on a Sunday.

At another place, where I spent two Sabbaths, the minister being away I was asked to officiate. On the return of the minister he was quite surprised, and on three different occasions he expressed his earnest thanks for my services. In one place where they had not seen a Colporteur I travelled four years ago with Bibles. The mother said, "I do love to read good books." One of her sons said, "I would sooner be reading good books than be about anything else in the world." A second son said likewise. One man showed me a book he bought from a Colporteur six years ago. It was tied around to keep it together. He had lent it all around the place. In this, as in many other places, they would give wool or potatoes, or fish, or oil, or anything I would take, to get books. I gave the highest price for oil, it went down in price, so that I lost on it.

I have labored six months in the Society's service; travelled 270 miles; sold \$538.98; grants and reductions, \$66.47; held and took part in 58 religious services; found 47 families destitute of all religious books except the Bible; found 13 families without a Bible; visited 59 Roman Catholic families; 51 Protestant families who habitually neglect religious services; conversed or prayed with 329 families; the whole number of families visited, 1,016.

A woman said to me, "I can't read your books, they are too religious." I showed her the necessity of religious reading, and the dangerous, nay fatal consequences, of bad reading. She admitted the same, but she said it had taken hold of her and she had no taste for any other. All argument was fruitless. I could not prevail upon her to buy.

One man said, "I have been reading novels all my life, but I sincerely regret it. I am left with an empty head and a hard heart." I sold him a book, and gave suitable advice. Another man, to whom

I so'd a b
very fond
it produc
speaking
pleased w

Another
nerves: A
foot until
the better
to the bo
this novel
means.
holiness a
the higher
would bu
service, to
with glad
that, I an

At Ho
afraid you
as you ch

Mr. E

The fi
land and
arrived at
which con
people.
If there i
St. Pierr
alarming.
superstiti
striking t
character
the Lord
labors the
us who u
influences
carrying
which alo
virtues of

After
situated
however,
summer v
ever I we

I so'd a book at the early part of the season, said, "Sir, I have been very fond of these novels," but said he, "it is fruitless and foolish, as it produced nothing worth thinking about, nor anything worth speaking of." He bought the "Odd Five Minutes," he was much pleased with it.

Another case showing the effects of novel reading on sensitive nerves: A woman said, "I have read with trembling from head to foot until it produced nausea, but like the drunkard who, having got the better of the headache, turns again to the cup, so I returned to the book; sermons and prayers have been wasted on me because of this novel reading." She bought of my best books according to her means. But thank God! I have met some who wanted books on holiness and no other. These were of the middle classes. Most of the higher classes enquire for novels. One school teacher said, "I would buy some novels if you had any." Next day attending service, to my surprise, he was in the pulpit. Another teacher said with glad surprise, "Oh, you have 'God's way of Peace,' I must buy that, I am indebted to that book, it helped me out of the darkness."

At Herring Neck a man said, "We have been looking out for you, afraid you had passed us by. My house shall be your home as long as you choose to stay. I know you are doing a good work."

MR. F. K. FRASER writes:—

The field of my labours included the western coast of Newfoundland and the town of St. Pierre. Leaving Halifax on May 3rd., I arrived at St. Pierre on the 7th, and immediately commenced work, which consisted chiefly in distributing French tracts to the French people. The English-speaking part of the population is very small. If there is anywhere a field for French evangelization I think it is St. Pierre. The spiritual destitution of the people is something alarming. They are immersed in the darkness of Romanism and superstition. To a stranger visiting the place nothing is more striking than the non-observance of the Sabbath,—one of the principal characteristics of all Papal countries. No regard whatever is paid to the Lord's Day. The people may be seen engaging in their various labors the same as on other days. Surely, then, it is incumbent on us who understand the way of salvation, and enjoy the enlightening influences of God's word, to exhibit a greater determination in carrying to a people perishing for lack of knowledge that Gospel which alone can convert them to the faith of Christ, and to the lofty virtues of evangelical morality.

After a week in St. Pierre I sailed for Chancel, a small town situated to the south-west of Newfoundland. On arriving here, however, I found that my prospects for making sales during the summer were poor, as the fisheries were likely to prove a failure. Wherever I went I found considerable destitution. Newfoundland possesses

valuable resources, both agricultural and mineral; and if these were developed the Island would ere long rank in importance as one of the foremost of our British American provinces.

The greatest difficulty experienced by the Colporteur in Newfoundland is occasioned by the poor facilities for travelling. As, for the most part, he is obliged to trust for his passage to the coastal steamers, which make but monthly voyages to most of the outports, much time is consequently lost. In view of this fact, I would urge upon the Society the necessity of henceforth employing as Colporteurs only persons who are natives of the Island, and who would be in a position to conduct the work in trading crafts of their own. If this plan were adopted sales would be doubled, and the work carried on at half the expense. Probably in none of the Provinces is there greater need of colportage than in Newfoundland. While conversing with persons on personal religion I found that many were ignorant of the first principles of Christianity, and that, instead of relying for salvation on the work of Christ, they were trusting to some merit in themselves. To this class of persons the value of such little books as "God's Way of Peace," "The Blood of Jesus," &c., which point so clearly to the satisfaction of Christ as the only ground of our acceptance with God, cannot be estimated. Many of the inhabitants living in remote places are deprived of the privilege of attending the sanctuary. By means of colportage such people have the glad tidings of salvation brought to their very doors, in language so simple that "the wayfaring man, though a fool, need not err therein."

Intemperance, which has probably done more to retard the progress of Christianity in Newfoundland than any other evil, is now becoming a thing of the past. Societies have been organized in nearly all the settlements, and, on the whole, a growing in the cause of temperance is evinced.

The following are the names of the principal places visited by me: Channel, Cape Ray, St. George's Bay, Bay of Islands, Bonne Bay, including the intervening harbors. Probably no place on the coast suffered so severely from the hardness of the season as Bay of Islands. Owing to the generosity of the Episcopal clergyman, Rev. Mr. Curling, however, the people have been well supplied with literature. This gentleman has, at his own expense, purchased a large library, to which the people have access free of charge. In Channel there are Episcopal and Methodist churches, the pastors of which are Messrs. Quintin and Edyveane, both zealous workers in the Master's vineyard. In Bonne Bay I succeeded in making good sales. The people of this place have, within the last year, been blessed in an especial manner with refreshing showers from on high—the result of the earnest labors of the Wesleyan clergyman, Rev. Mr. Darby. My success here is largely due to this gentleman, who spared no pains to acquaint the people with the work of the Society. In conclusion, I

desire to con-
assisted me i
sailor, Captai
gave me a fre

MR. AND

Times hav
course, interf
of November
of my own w
the past seas
power in ca
Colporteurs i
a visit from a
been working
Bay. I foun
talked and pr
to call again,
nice little tract
are quite out
small coves an
ing them.
small harbors
visits. The I
power of goo
Many a poor v
been the mea
continue the g
been a poor y
means. Many
be able to buy
that the Socie

Dear Sir,-
valuable gift o
have been scat
The good done
spiritual profit
men on the coa
in visiting on
merchant ship
the seed sown

desire to convey my thanks to the many friends who, in any way, assisted me in my work, and especially to the kind hearted Christian sailor, Captain White, of Bonne Bay, who, on my departure for home, gave me a free passage to St. John's, a distance of five hundred miles.

MR. ANDREW PARSONS writes :—

Times have been very bad and money very scarce. This has, of course, interfered with my sales. I gave up visiting about the 13th of November, as the weather began to be stormy, and as I had much of my own work to do at home. I hope the little I have done during the past season is satisfactory. I have done all that laid in my power in carrying out my instructions. There is great need of Colporteurs in parts of Newfoundland. Many have been blessed by a visit from a Colporteur, by the reading of a tract or a book. I have been working in Fortune, and Hermitage Bays, and part of Placentia Bay. I found a great deal of darkness in some small harbors. I talked and prayed with many, who, on my leaving, would press me to call again, saying, "I am glad to see a man like you, and to get a nice little tract." Many seldom get a visit from a clergyman, as the places are quite out of the way. In my small craft I could visit all those small coves and harbors, there being no persons capable of conducting them. As for Sunday schools, there are none in those small harbors. I was often and earnestly pressed to renew my visits. The British American Book and Tract Society has done a power of good by allowing their colporteurs so much for grants. Many a poor woman or man has come in reach of a book which has been the means of saving their souls. I hope the Society will continue the good work of colportage in Newfoundland. This has been a poor year for sales. People would willingly buy but have not means. Many have told me, "I hope when you come again we will be able to buy from you." People are very fond of the class of books that the Society sends around.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, Dec. 22, 1886.

Dear Sir,—I feel very grateful to your excellent Society for the valuable gift of religious Tracts sent to our Association. These Tracts have been scattered, and they were most thankfully received by them. The good done by their perusal eternity alone will reveal. Already spiritual profit has been acknowledged by residents and transient fishermen on the coast of Labrador. Our young men are zealous and diligent in visiting on Sabbath mornings the hundreds of fishing crews and merchant shipping that come to this port. May the good Lord water the seed sown with His blessing.

Thankfully and respectfully yours,

JAMES J. ROGERSON, *President, Y. M. C. A.*

RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY, LONDON.

Many Societies and Publishers in England, Scotland, Ireland, and the United States, are engaged in publishing and circulating religious literature. Our Society is in correspondence with not a few of these. But our chief source of supply both for books and tracts is the RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY, of London, an institution which we regard as second in usefulness and importance only to the BIBLE SOCIETY. The following summary of its operations last year will be acceptable to our readers:—

The receipts of the Society during the year from all sources have amounted to £211,098 12s. 9d., showing an increase over the preceding year of £4,540 12s. 1d. Including the balance in hand at the beginning of the year, the amount received has been £212,731 11s. 8d. The amount of subscriptions, donations, collections, and legacies has been £17,277 11s. 1d., showing an increase of £585 15s. 9d. The legacies have increased by £589, and there has been a slight decrease in contributions from other sources. It is hardly necessary to add that the whole of the amount thus given has been applied without deduction or reserve to the missionary work of the Society; all working expenses having been met from the profits in the Trade department. The value of the grants for missionary purposes at home and abroad has been £47,722 18s. 3d., towards which sum the recipients have paid £11,425 7s. 9d.,—the remaining balance of £19,019 19s. 5d. being provided from the Trade funds.

It co-operates with the British and Foreign Bible Society in many quarters. The two Societies have united in a plan for distributing Christian literature among the University students of India, every one of whom is to receive on matriculation a copy of St. Luke's Gospel and the Acts, a New Testament on passing the intermediate examination, and a Bible on taking his degree—these gifts of the Bible Society being accompanied in each case with a volume of Introduction or of Comments, published at the expense of the R. T. Society.—Books and Tracts have been published in many Asiatic languages. The *Peep of Day* has been published in the Congo language, reduced to writing by Baptist missionaries. In all, the Society now publishes, or aids in publishing, books, tracts, and periodicals in 177 different languages and dialects.

In more than 70 languages there are translations of the *Pilgrim's Progress*. The number has, during the past year, been increased by

four. A be
and, in the
English dres
he is now w
dark land, e
A second ve
third, menti
the auspices
prepared, is
various and
men by Bun

During t
Society's list
issues, inclu
periodicals c

There ha
which 176 w

The Soc
languages.

The total
Tracts, Perio
Issues, has re

The issue
making a tota
the formation

The total
tions, part p
18s. 10d., the
objects of the

The missi
It consists of
types, and pu
tracts, circula
lighthouse, co
colporteurs, et

THE EXCE
contributions
5d., HAS BEEN
BORNE THE B
AND MISSIONA

four. A beautiful illustrated edition in Japanese is now complete; and, in the words of the local committee, "the dear old Pilgrim's English dress will never be shamed by the Japanese robes in which he is now wrapped. He goes forth upon his pilgrimage through this dark land, equipped with everything that loving hearts could suggest." A second version is for the Cree Indians of North-West America; a third, mentioned last year, now complete, is for the Ashantees, under the auspices of the Basel Missionary Society; and a fourth, newly prepared, is for the Breton people of North-Western France. So various and universal is the appeal made to the minds and hearts of men by Bunyan's immortal dream!

During the year 576 new publications have been added to the Society's list, of which 176 have been tracts. The total number of issues, including books, tracts, leaflets, cards, and the numbers of periodicals counted separately, has amounted to \$66,884,100.

NEW PUBLICATIONS AND CIRCULATION.

There has been issued during the year 576 new publications, of which 176 were tracts.

The Society has, up to the present time, published in 177 languages.

The total circulation from the Home Depot, including Books, Tracts, Periodicals counted in numbers, Cards and Miscellaneous Issues, has reached 66,884,100, of which 26,861,540 are Tracts.

The issues from Foreign Depots may be safely stated at 15,000,000, making a total circulation of 81,884,100, and of 2,450,161,980 since the formation of the Society.

MISSIONARY FUNDS.

The total amount received from subscriptions and other contributions, part payment for grants, dividends, and legacies, is £28,702 18s. 10d., the whole of this sum being available for the missionary objects of the Society.

The missionary expenditure has amounted to £47,722 18s. 3d. It consists of foreign money grants, foreign grants of paper, electro-types, and publications, grants to emigrants, to home applicants for tracts, circulating libraries, school libraries, seamen's, prison, police, lighthouse, coastguard, hospital, and workhouse libraries, grants to colporteurs, etc.

THE EXCESS OF GRANTS OVER THE MISSIONARY RECEIPTS (*i. e.*, all contributions received from the public), AMOUNTING TO £19,019 19s. 5d., HAS BEEN SUPPLIED FROM THE TRADE FUNDS, WHICH HAVE ALSO BORNE THE ENTIRE COST OF MANAGEMENT BOTH OF THE BUSINESS AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENTS.

AN ACT

INCORPORATE THE

BRITISH AMERICAN BOOK AND TRACT SOCIETY.

(Passed the 18th day of April, A. D., 1872).

Section.

1. Incorporate Purposes.
2. Real Estate.
3. Election of Officers, &c.

Section.

5. Fees for Membership.
6. Present Bye-Laws valid, Until repealed.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows :

1st. Thomas A. Brown, George W. Hill, John Forrest, John A. Clark, John E. Goucher, George H. Starr, Alexander McBean, Robert N. Beckwith, Joseph Bell, John S. McLean, Robert Murray, Daniel McN. Parker, Henry N. Paint, David Blackwood, D. Henry Starr, William Roche the younger, William Montgomery, William B. McNutt, Edward M. Saunders, Allan Simpson, W. Sawers Stirling, Edward Binney, Jairus Hart, J. Fraser Campbell, James B. Morrow, William H. Wiswell, Brenton H. Collins, P. Carteret Hill, Charles D. Hunter, and their Associates, Successors and Assigns, are hereby constituted a body incorporate by the name of the British American Book & Tract Society, for the purpose of circulating through Colportage and other means, religious Books and Tracts among the People.

2nd. The corporation may purchase, take and hold real estate, not exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars in value, and may sell, mortgage, lease, convey or otherwise dispose of as may be deemed expedient for the purposes of the Society.

3rd. The business affairs and property of the Society shall be managed by a President, and Board of Directors, to be elected annually, or from time to time as the Corporation shall see fit. The Annual meeting for the Election of Officers shall be held in the City of Halifax in the month of February in each year. The corporators in the first section by name mentioned, being the President and Board of Directors now in office shall continue in office until their successors shall be appointed.

4th. Any person may become a member of the Society for one year, by paying the sum of One Dollar to the funds thereof; and may become a member for life by paying Twenty Dollars.

5th. The Constitution and Bye-laws now in force, and which were adopted at a meeting of the Society held at Halifax, on the second day of August, 1867, shall continue in force until altered or repealed in accordance with the Constitution.

BRITIS

Sun

We in
Libraries to
some of th
1887, whic
books, well

THE R

Sold at 4
leather bac
proved ther

In six sets,
contain read

The Libra

In sets of fr
wooden case

TI

are instruct
off marked

For
Catatogue.

British

BRITISH AMERICAN BOOK & TRACT SOCIETY,

HALIFAX, N. S.

Sunday School Libraries.

We invite the attention of those wishing to purchase Sunday School Libraries to our extensive collection of Sunday School Literature, from some of the best English and American Publishers. Our Catalogue for 1887, which will shortly be issued, will contain a new and revised list of books, well suited to Sunday Schools of all denominations.

THE RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY'S BOOKS,

Sold at 40 per cent Discount off Catalogue prices, bound with leather backs and cloth sides, are recommended for their durability, have proved themselves good, interesting and instructive.

THE RAIKES' LIBRARIES,

In six sets, each set containing ten books. These books are cheap and contain reading of a sound character.

The Libraries issued by the American Sunday School Union

In sets of from 50 to 100 volumes. These Libraries are furnished in neat wooden cases.

THE PANSY BOOKS

are instructive and interesting, and sold at 20 per cent. discount off marked prices. For full list see last page of Catalogue.

 For directions as to selecting see note on second page of Catalogue.

ADDRESS:—

British American Book and Tract Society,

117 GRANVILLE STREET, HALIFAX, N. S.

RECENT THEOLOGICAL WORKS,

FOR SALE BY

The British American Book and Tract Society,

HALIFAX, N. S.

The Crisis of Missions, by Rev. Arthur Pierson, D.D.	\$1 00
Marriage and Home Life, by Dr. Talmage.....	75
The City Youth, by J. Thain Davidson, D.D.....	1 00
Wonders of Prayers, as related by George Muller, D. L. Moody, C. H. Spurgeon, and others.....	1 25
Present Day Tracts, Volume VIII.....	75
Life of John Geddie, Missionary to Aneityum, by Rev. Dr. Patterson..	1 25
Work-days of God, or Science and the Bible.....	75

CHURCH HISTORY SERIES—

Preludes to the Reformation, by Canon Penington, Vol. I.....	75
The Reformation in France, by Richard Heath, Vol. II.....	75
The Life of Christ, for the Young, by Mrs. Watson.....	1 50
Joseph the Prime Minister, by W. M. Taylor.....	1 50
The Parables expanded and illustrated, by W. M. Taylor.....	1 50
The Doctrine of endless punishment, by W. F. Shedd, D.D.....	1 50
Curiosities of the Bible, pertaining to persons, places and things.....	60
Your Sundays, by Rev. G. Everard, M.A.....	75
Before his Footstool, by Rev. G. Everard, M.A.....	75
Christ and the heroes of Heathendom, by Rev. James Wells, M.A.....	1 00
The King's Message (for the Young), by Dr. J. H. Wilson.....	1 00
Birds of the Bible, by James Bowker, F.R., G.S.I.....	60
Ripples in the Twilight, by J. R. McDuff, D.D.....	60
Morning Family Prayers for a Year, by J. R. McDuff, D.D.....	1 95
Parables of the Lake, by J. R. McDuff, D.D.....	1 00
Gleams from the Sick Chamber, by J. R. McDuff, D.D.....	60
Full Salvation, by W. Haslam, M.A.....	75

British American Book and Tract Society
 111 WATER STREET HALIFAX, N. S.

PU
 Amount
 Brenton
 Thomas
 Malcolm
 Dr. C. C.
 Mrs. Fran
 Mrs. Thon
 Miss A. W
 Mrs. Josia
 W. C. Bill
 John Arth
 Friend
 Mrs. Munr
 William W
 H. J. Cund

RKs,
 ct Society,

\$1 00
 75
 1 00
 ody, C. H.
 1 25
 75
 atterson... 1 25
 75
 I... 75
 75
 1 50
 1 50
 1 50
 1 50
 gs... 60
 75
 75
 M.A... 1 00
 1 00
 60
 60
 1 95
 1 00
 60
 75

PUBLICATION OR CAPITAL FUND.

Amount previously acknowledged.....	\$11329 74
Tunbridge Wells, England.	
Brenton H. Collins	5 00
" for 1885	5 00
Victoria Mines, C. E.	
Thomas Lynk	100 00
	\$11,439 74

BUILDING FUND.

Big Hill, Baddeck, C. B.	
Malcolm McLeod	\$ 5 00
London, G. B.	
Dr. C. Cogswell	10 00
Bathurst, N. B.	
Mrs. Francis Ferguson	4 00
Hampton, N. B.	
Mrs. Thomas Hay	1 00
Sackville, N. B.	
Miss A. Wood	8 00
Mrs. Josiah Wood	5 00
Biltown, N. S.	
W. C. Bill	50 00
Hopewell, N. S.	
John Arthur	2 00
Margaret's Bay, N. S.	
Friend	8 00
Wallace, N. S.	
Mrs. Munro	5 00
Alberton, P. E. I.	
William Wells	1 00
Charlottetown, P. E. I.	
H. J. Cundall	2 00

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS

FOR

COLPORTAGE AND GRATUITOUS DISTRIBUTION.

A donation of Twenty Dollars or upwards, or an annual subscription of One Dollar, constitutes a member of the Society.

CAPE BRETON.

<p>Arichat.</p> <p>John Rev .....\$2 John McAskill 2 Mrs. J. H. Rhindress 1 50 P. Campbell 1 Mrs John Hubert 1 Winget Dorey 1 Peter Lelacheur 75 James F. Latimore 60 Mrs Chas Fixott 60 Mrs Wm Lelacheur 50 C. B. W. 50 J. R. Thompson 50 Mrs John R. Smith, Sr 50 G. J. Andrew 50 Peter Gruchy, Sr 50 Hugh McLeod 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$13 95</p>	<p>Big Baddeck.</p> <p>Mrs Angus McRae ....\$1 L. T. C. 25</p> <p>Big Glace Bay.</p> <p>Peter McAuley .....\$5 Duncan McDonald 1 John Sutherland 1 Allan McDonald 50 Norman McDonald 50 Kenneth McDonald 50 Donald McRae 50 Norman Matheson 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$9 50</p>	<p>Caledonia Mines.</p> <p>David McKeen .....\$5 J. R. Blackett 1 Chris McLennan 1 George Scott 1 Don E. McDonald 1 Donald McKenzie 50 John Grant 50</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$10 00</p> <p>Cape La Ronde (MADAME ISLAND).</p> <p>Wm Burge .....\$1 Chas Mauger 1 Chas Latimore 1 Robt Murray 50 Joseph Mauger 50 Philip Mauger, Sr 50 Philip J. Mauger 50 Mrs Peter Lelacheur 25 Jas A. Mauger 25</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$5 50</p>
<p>Baddeck.</p> <p>Hon D. McCurdy & Sons..\$5 A. I. Hart 2 Rev K. McKenzie 1 D. F. McRae 1 W. H. Watson 1 John McDonald 1 Mrs Dunlop 1 R. G. Vans 1 Malcolm Matheson 1 Mrs M. McLeod 1 Mrs C. J. Campbell 1 Dr J. L. Bethune, M. P. P. 1 F. R. Freeman 1 Alex Taylor 60 Wm McLenn 50 Alex McAuley 50 M. H. McKenzie 50 J. P. McLeod 50 Mrs Jones 50 Alex McDonald 50 F. Ferguson 25 Ewen G. McAskill 25 J. H. Edwards 25 Chas Ross 25</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$22 00</p>	<p>Bridgeport Mines.</p> <p>Norman McDonald .....\$2 43 John Johnston 1 James W. McKenzie 1 Alex McDonald, B. S. 1 George D. Muggah 1 Duncan J. McDonald 75 Mrs John Ferguson 50 Robert Gilholm 50 George Lewis 50 Mrs Wm Morrison 25</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$8 93</p>	<p>Cow Bay.</p> <p>R. A. H. McKeen, M. D. ..\$2 Chas Archibald 2 A. McAskill 2 David McArel 1 50 Capt Dan McAulay 1 John McAuley, B. S. 1 Mal McAuley, (Mer) 1 Mrs Fitzpatrick 1 Rev W. Grant 50 Simon E. Landry 50 John McAuley, (Elder) ... 50 Rodk McKenzie 50 Alex McDonald, (Carp) ... 50 David Spencer 50 N. L. Quistt 50 Mrs D. McKinnon 50 Mrs J. F. Rankine 30</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$15 80</p>

D'Es

Wm LeVi
 D. Cruch
 James Sh

La

D. H. Mc

Litt

John H. C
 John McG
 Mrs John
 Murdoch M

Little

Mrs C. Mur
 Rev J. A. I
 Donald T.
 John Murr
 Chas McKa
 Murdoch M
 Donald M
 George Jea
 Alex McPh
 A. Mc Quar
 Rodk McLe

Walter McD
 H. Murray
 Murdoch M
 D. S. McDo
 Dunan Mc
 Nahum Mc
 Wm Murray
 J. D. Camer
 John McKe
 M. McFaty
 Neil McKinn
 Allan McMill
 Lewis McKe
 J. Hunt
 Angus Gillis
 Neil McQuar
 Murdoch Cam
 A. C. Campb

Pleas

Pleasant Bay
 per A. M

D'Escousse (MADAME ISLAND).

Wm LeViscounte	....\$1
D. Cruchy	.... 1
James Shaw	.... 50
	\$2 50

Lake Ainalle.

D. H. McKay\$ 20
-------------	-----------

Little Bras d'Or.

John H. Christie	....\$2
John McGregor	.... 1
Mrs John Johnston	.... 1
Murdoch McDonald	.... 50
	\$4 50

Little Glace Bay.

Mrs C. Murray	....\$1
Rev J. A. Forbes	.... 1
Donald T. Morrison	.... 1
John Munro	.... 1
Chas McKay	.... 50
Murdoch McKenzie	.... 50
Donald McPherson	.... 50
George Jean	.... 50
Alex McPherson	.... 50
A. Mc Quarrie	.... 50
Rodk McLeod	.... 25
	\$7 25

Mabou.

Walter McDonald	....\$4
H. Murray	.... 3
Murdoch McPherson	.... 3
D. S. McDonald	.... 2
Duncan McDonald	.... 2
Nahum McDonald	.... 2
Wm Murray	.... 2
J. D. Cameron	.... 1 50
John McKeen	.... 1
M. McFadyen	.... 1
Neil McKinnon	.... 1
Allan McMillan	.... 1
Lewis McKeen	.... 1
J. Hunt	.... 1
Angus Gillis	.... 50
Neil McQuarrie	.... 50
Murdoch Cameron	.... 50
A. C. Campbell	.... 25
	\$27 00

Pleasant Bay.

Pleasant Bay S. School,	
per A. McIntosh	....\$1 15

Port Hastings.

A. H. Sutherland	....\$1
Geo Lawrence	.... 1
Mrs J. G. McKeen	.... 1
R. J. McDonald	.... 1
Mrs G. M. Baillie	.... 1
H. A. Forbes	.... 1
H. McLellan	.... 75
A. M. Johnson	.... 50
Hector McQuarrie	.... 50
Miss Bertha McKeen	.... 50
H. W. Skinner	.... 50
	\$8 75

Port Hawkesbury.

P. Paint & Sons	....\$5
A. Bain	.... 1
Mrs Dan Henesey	.... 1
Mrs Wm Davis	.... 1
A. McIntosh	.... 1
Sherwood Embree	.... 1
Mrs Chas Embree	.... 1
H. W. Embree	.... 50
Mrs Allan McQuarrie	.... 50
Mrs James Davis	.... 50
Donald McKinnon	.... 50
J. W. Hart	.... 50
John Embree	.... 50
Solomon Embree	.... 50
Lemuel Martin	.... 35
Mrs Geo Embree	.... 25
Mrs David McPherson	.... 25
Mrs Geo Henesey	.... 25
Mrs Alf McPherson	.... 25
Mrs Blanchard	.... 25
Dan Martin	.... 25
	\$16 35

Port Hood.

Edw D. Tremaine	....\$4
Dan C. McPherson	.... 2 50
Mrs John Murray	.... 2 50
A. C. Thompson	.... 1 50
Mrs Parker Smith, Sr	.... 1
Richard Smith	.... 1
Hezekiah Smith	.... 1
Joshua Smith	.... 1
Wm McPherson	.... 1
Ambrose Smith	.... 50
Robt McDonald	.... 50
Amos Smith	.... 50
John Smith (Island)	.... 50
David Cameron	.... 50
Mrs J. W. Smith	.... 50
Mrs Parker Watts	.... 50
D. F. McLean	.... 50
Mrs John Smith	.... 25
Thos Smith	.... 25
	\$20 00

Reserve Mines.

Malcolm McKay	....\$1
Wm Routledge, Jr	.... 1

Dr Wm McKay, M. P. P.	....\$1
Wm Routledge, Sr	.... 1
Wm McLellan	.... 1
Duncan McLennan	.... 1
Mrs John Munro	.... 50
	\$6 50

Strath Lorne.

Lauchlin E. McLean 25
--------------------	---------

Sydney.

Mrs C. L. Ingraham	....\$95
Ir memory of S. F. Kendall	5
Stewart Burns	3
A. Matheson	3
D. McLennan	2 50
F. C. Kinber	2
T. C. Hill	2
Miss P. Brookman	2
John S. McLennan	2
J. E. Burchell	2
Rev John Murray	2
A. S. Kendall	2
Dr A. D. MacGillvary	1 50
A. J. McDonald	1
Sheriff Buchanan	1
H. E. Kendall	1
Mrs D. Matheson	1
James McKenzie	1
John A. McKenzie	1
J. A. Campbell	1
F. Falconer	1
W. H. Morley	1
G. Routledge	1
Angus Gillis	1
H. G. Bown	1
E. T. McKeen	1
Mrs H. R. McKenzie	1
Rev Alex Farquharson	1
James T. Burchell	1
Rev W. Purvis	1
John McLellan	1
Capt Geo Burchell	1
Mrs James Jost	1
W. T. Mosely	1
L. E. Tremaine	1
J. E. Leonard	1
M. B. Umlah	1
Miss I. B. Burchell	1
Chas Sullivan	75
Michael Lamont	75
Dan Morrison	75
Mrs C. W. H.	50
John McVicar	50
W. W. Dillon	50
Henry LeCras	50
F. C. Harold	50
Alex McLeod	50
Angus McLeod	50
C. S. Jost	50
Matthew Bradley	50
Mrs Robt McKay	50
Joseph Dobson	50
Kenneth McKenzie	50
W. E. Peters	50
Mrs C. H. Musgrave	50
C. Bown	50
Angus McQuarrie	50

Lancllin McQuarrie	50	Sydney (North).
Mrs Chas Richardson	50	
Capt Chas Muggah	50	W. H. Moore
Angus Beaton	50	Hon T. D. Archibald
Wm Woodill	50	Blowers Archibald
Miss M. Publicover	30	Vooght Bros
Edw Liscomb	25	W. S. Copeland
Mrs Capt A. McDonald	25	Geo H. Dobson

\$73 55	Capt D. McKay	2
	John W. Ingraham	2
	John Macdonald	1
	W. Purves	1
	W. Proctor	1
	D. Lawlor	1
	Wm Hackett	1
	Mackeen, Moore & Co	1
	E. R. Moffatt	1
	Thos McLellan	1
	Wm Thomson	1
	Alex McDonald	1
	N. Martell	1
	John Nisbet	1
	Joseph Salter	1
	W. A. Robertson	1
	C. G. Buchanan	1
	Wm Horne	1
	G. H. Murray	1
	Capt J. W. Gordon	1
	Mrs Dr Murray	1
	Alex McKay	1
	J. Trean	1
	Mrs Robt Gentle	1

Sydney Mines.

R. H. Brown	86
Lewis Johnstone, M. D.	2
Robt S. Bridge	1
Mrs Richd Partridge	1
John McCuish	1
Rev. D. McMillan	86
Robt Bonner, Sr	50
Rod McDonald	50
Miss H. Rigby	50
Mrs. Geo Kay	50
Joseph Howatson	50
A. McQuinn	50

\$14 86

James Lawley	50
Murdoch Buchanan	50
Miss A. Murray	50
H. W. Kelly	50

\$50 00

Whycocomagh.

J. S. Hart	2
Mrs Peter McDonald	1
L. S. McKeen	1
Jas McKinnon	1
Rev. John Rose	1
James McPhail	1
A. A. Munro	1
Mrs P. A. McLean	1
Lauchlan J. Hart	1
John McKinnon, M.P.P.	1
Dr McIntosh	1
W. D. McDougall	50
Duncan Carmichael	50
Mrs Thos Mitchell	50
Mrs Geo Bishop	50
Thos Austen	50
Edward McMillan	50
Capt Carmichael	50
J. W. Wilson	50
Thos Mitchell	50
John Ross	25
Duncan McMillan	20

\$16 95

GREAT BRITAIN.

Glasgow.

J. C. White	£10 0 0
Arthur & Co (limited)	6 0 0
J. B. Minlees	6 0 0
Wm James Davidson	5 0 0
Leonard Gow	3 0 0
Henderson Bros	2 0 0
Mrs Allen	2 0 0
Aitkin, Lieburn & Co	2 0 0
William Meikle	2 0 0
Bilsland Bros	2 0 0
A. B. Kirkpatrick	2 0 0

Jas Ferguson & Sons	£2 0 0
P. & W. Maclellan	1 0 0
Wilson, Matheson & Co	1 0 0
Wm Walls & Co	1 0 0
Davidson Bros	1 0 0
D. Mitchell	1 0 0
Alex A. Ferguson	1 0 0
Wm Cairney	1 0 0
Joseph Brown	1 0 0

£52 0 0

Paisley.

J. & P. Coats	£10 0 0
---------------	---------

Tunbridge Wells.

(LONDON.)

Brenton H. Collins	£20 00
Do. also for 1885	20 00

\$40 00

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Albert.

C. A. McLane	...\$1
Jas Elliott	... 50
J. E. Kinnie	... 25
A. Friend	... 25
Miss Maggie R. Keiver	... 25
Mrs Dr Murray	... 25
Mrs Jas W. Fullerton	... 25

Andover.

Jas Magill	...\$0 50
------------	-----------

Barnsville, (KINGS Co.)

Rev J. R. Lawson	...\$1
Miss Alice Lawson	... 1

Robt Hastings	...\$1
Jos R. Lawson	... 50
R. Simpson	... 25

Bathurst.

Robt Armstrong	...\$5
G. M. Duncan, M.D.	... 4
A. J. H. Stewart	... 4
Mrs Francis Ferguson	... 2
John Sivewright	... 2
James Hickson	... 2
Mrs Joseph Sinclair	... 1 50
Richard Willis	... 1 25
A. Friend	... 1
Mrs Robt Vail	... 1
Miss H. J. Waitt	... 1
E. J. Stewart	... 1
John Kerr	... 1

Mrs A. M. Fraser	... \$1
Mrs Angus McLean	... 1
W. J. Kent	... 1
Mrs W. R. Johnson	... 1
J. T. Carter	... 1
Mrs Wm Mann	... 1
T. Swayne DesBrisay	... 1
Walter H. Buck	... 1
John McKinnon	... 1
J. C. Killam	... 1
J. A. McDonald	... 1
Mrs John Ferguson	... 1
R. R. Hickson	... 1
Jas Andrew	... 1
Robt Adam	... 1
J. H. Wilbur	... 50
D. M. McIntosh	... 50
A. Friend	... 50
Jasper Davison	... 50
Mrs A. S. Kerr	... 50

Mrs Wm
John El
Mrs Sar
Hugh C
Mrs Wm
Mrs Jas
Robt A
Mrs Jas
Mrs An
Mrs Stu
Mrs Rob

A. Frie
John F
Rev G
Rev W
Rev A
D. D. G
Mrs Ad
Mrs J
J. E. P
Hugh C
John C
Robt J
Miss M
D. J. F
H. Lee
F. M. M
W. Mot
A. G. A
B. Mc
John H
G. A. V
Johnst
Mrs A
John C
John C
A. R. C
Robert
Robt S
D. F. G
Mrs Bl
H. Con
Peter L
Mrs E
O. A. B
Wm Gl
James
Mrs G
Allan A
W. H. I
Jas Ale
W. J. I
Alex M
James I
Mrs G
Miss B
Miss H
Isaac D
Robt D
J. H. G
Miss F
Mrs Ric
Mrs Al

Mrs W. J. Robinson	....\$1
A Friend	.... 1
Jas Crawford	.... 1
J. D. Ross, M.D.	.... 1
C. D. Thompson	.... 1
Hugh McLeod	.... 1
W. O. Schwartz	.... 1
E. M. Estey	.... 1
August H. Moller	.... 1
Nicol McLaren	.... 1
D. A. Cameron	.... 1
Mrs W. H. T. Summer	.... 1
H. A. Whitney	.... 1
Rev R. S. Crisp	.... 1
Mrs G. V. Forbes	.... 1
Jas H. Dunlap	.... 1
R. Barry Smith	.... 1
B. Tonbs	.... 1
C. W. Burnyeat	.... 1
S. A. W. Baker	.... 1
I. W. Finney	.... 1
Mrs C. O. Rowe	.... 1
P. A. McGowan	.... 1
Harvey Atkinson	.... 1
Ayer & Co	.... 1
M. B. Keith	.... 1
Wm E. Day	.... 1
Fred W. Sumner	.... 1
G. H. Lutz	.... 1
G. E. Edgett	.... 1
Rev T. W. Winfield	.... 1
Mrs Robt Eutwistle	.... 1
J. M. Eaton	.... 1
C. P. Harris	.... 1
C. A. Steeves	.... 1
Howard Scott	.... 1
Patrick Hopper	.... 1
Dr C. A. Murray	.... 1
Thos Williams, I C R.	.... 1
Mrs W. B. Chapman	.... 1
Thos Jones	.... 1
Dr C. W. Bradley	.... 75
Moses Jones	.... 75
Mrs W. R. Givan	.... 55
Jas A. Bayne	.... 50
F. McDougall	.... 50
Mrs C. R. Palmer	.... 50
B. R. A.	.... 50
James Kay	.... 50
Mrs W. Robertson	.... 50
Mrs J. S. Cowie	.... 50
Mrs C. U. Chandler	.... 50
F. S. Huntley	.... 50
R. D. Jones	.... 50
Mrs Robert Leaman	.... 50
Geo A. Robertson	.... 50
F. W. Givan	.... 50
J. McO. Snow	.... 50
Mrs D. A. Colpitts	.... 50
H. D. Chartars	.... 50
Mrs G. J. Payne	.... 50
Mrs Jamina Henderson	.... 50
R. M. J.	.... 50
J. M. Wade	.... 50
James Stanley	.... 50
M. G. Ayer	.... 50
Geo T. Troop	.... 32
Miss Sarah Reid	.... 25
F. G. Jonsh	.... 25
Mrs Thomas McEwan	.... 25
Mrs R. Cochran	.... 25

Newcastle.

Judge Willeston	....\$2
E. W. I ester	.... 2
R. B. Haddow	.... 1
D. McGruar	.... 1
Henry Wyse	.... 1
John Robinson, Jr	.... 1
John Ferguson	.... 1
W. J. Miller & Co	.... 1
Walter J. Elliott	.... 1
Rev W. Aitken	.... 1
Rev John McLagan	.... 1
Mrs Jas Russell (wid)	.... 1
Wm Park	.... 1
Mrs Allan Ritchie	.... 1
Stephen Finlay	.... 1
J. S. Flemming	.... 1
Wm Falconer	.... 1
James Falconer	.... 1
George Brown	.... 1
Mrs S. Thompson	.... 1
James Yeoman	.... 1
Wm & D. McLeod	.... 1
H. A. Fish, M.D.	.... 1
W. C. Anslow	.... 1
Jas Johnstone	.... 50
John Clark	.... 50
Robt Sutherland	.... 50
Carl Peterson	.... 50
Mrs John Harvey	.... 25

\$28 25

Passekeag.

J. B. Crockett	....\$0 50
John McVey	.... 50
J. Henderson	.... 25
Geo R. Campbell	....

\$1 75

Richibucto.

Mr and Mrs Noble	....\$5
Wm Brown	.... 2
E. Pine	.... 1
Mrs Wm Brown	.... 1
Wm Wheten, M.P.P.	.... 1
Robt Phinney	.... 1
J. Ferguson	.... 1
Mrs Forbes	.... 1
Fred Hannah	.... 1
Mrs T. G. Richardson	.... 1
Mrs John Miller	.... 1
Dr R. L. Botaford	.... 1
Rev W. L. Currie	.... 1
J. C. Brown	.... 1
Mrs G. Livingstone	.... 1
Mrs E. Pine	.... 1
Uphan Bias	.... 1
Wm White	.... 1
Mrs Dr Brine	.... 1
Geo W. Robertson	.... 32
Fred Ferguson	.... 25
J. W. Tait	.... 25
J. S. Harrison	.... 25
Jas McIntosh	.... 25
John Rusk	.... 25
Thos Murray	.... 25

\$102 57

Jas Walker	.... 50
Geo Young	.... 50
Mrs G McKinnon	.... 50
John Stevenson	.... 50
J. S. Wilson	.... 25
R. W. Beers	.... 25
L. J. Wathen	.... 25

\$20 50

Riverside.

Mrs A. R. McClelan	....\$1
Rev R. Haddow	.... 1
Thos M. Pearson	.... 1
Mrs W. A. Copp	.... 1
Thos McClelan	.... 50
Job Stiles	.... 50
Jas Newcomb	.... 50
Wm Robertson	.... 50
Wm J. Carnwath	.... 50
Miss S. L. Stewart	.... 50
Nicholas Pearson	.... 45
A. W. Peck	.... 25
John Cannon	.... 25
S. W. Palmer	.... 25
Mrs Hiram Edgett	.... 25
Capt Berryman	.... 25
A. A. Smith	.... 20
Mrs J. W. Dobson	.... 15

\$9 05

Sackville.

Mrs Josiah Wood	....\$5
Mrs T. W. Knapp	.... 5
Miss A. Wood	.... 2
Abner Smith	.... 2
Edward Cogswell	.... 2
Mrs S. Edgar Dixon	.... 1
Mrs S. W. Sangster	.... 1
Dr J. W. Dixon	.... 1
W. B. Dixon	.... 1
F. McDougall	.... 1
Geo E. Ford	.... 1
Alex Smith	.... 1
Thos Amos	.... 1
W. Wesley Fawcett	.... 1
Mrs Jas George	.... 1
G. Chappell Fawcett	.... 1
Geo J. Oulton	.... 1
Jas I. Wheaton	.... 1
Wm F. George	.... 1
Mrs Timothy Hicks	.... 1
John Harris	.... 1
Rev R. W. Weddall	.... 1
H. S. Trueman, M.D.	.... 1
J. Burwash, M.A.	.... 1
Dr Inch	.... 1
Rev B. C. Borden	.... 1
T. T. Davis	.... 80
Prof Mack	.... 75
G. T. Bowser	.... 75
Chas W. George	.... 75
Jas R. Ayer	.... 50
Thompson Trueman	.... 50
Mrs M. Wood	.... 50
Walter Fowler	.... 50
T. A. Kinnear	.... 50
John Ford	.... 50

H. A. Powell	.... 1	St. George.	John Wishart	....\$2
Miss B. Freeman	.... 75	S. Johnson	F. R. Fairweather	.... 1
S. M. Estabrooks	.... 50	James McKay	Geo Jenkins	.... 1
Herbert Wood	.... 50	F. W. Holt	T. B. Robinson	.... 1
E. Louise Wood	.... 50	Edward R. O'Brien	Morris Robinson	.... 1
R. Blair Taylor	.... 50	G. F. Hibbard, M.P.P.	J. R. Cameron	.... 1
Miss A. Trueman	.... 50	Timothy O'Brien	Wm Logan, Union St	.... 1
Jas Fillmore	.... 50	Wm McKay	Dr G. O. Hannah	.... 1
Edward Read	.... 50	James Dadds	J. S. Turner	.... 1
Jas D. Dixon	.... 50	James Watt	50 C. M.	.... 1
Alf B. Dixon	.... 50	James O'Brien	50 Geo H. Waterbury	.... 1
F. A. Dixon	.... 50	A. S. Baldwin	50 S. B. Paterson	.... 1
Stephen Ayer	.... 50	John O'Brien	50 John Allingham	.... 1
Ataasa Dixon	.... 50		50 E. & T. Crawford	.... 1
John T. Hillson	.... 25		Mrs John Hopkins	.... 1
Amos Estabrooks	.... 25		Cash	.... 1
			E. Cosman	.... 1
	\$54 25		J. W. I savitt	.... 1
		St. John.	A Friend	.... 1
		Dr Botsford	Aroh Rankine	.... 1
		Edwin Frost	S. Z. Dickson	.... 1
		Thos Maclellan	J. F. L.	.... 1
		James Walker, M. D.	S. C. McMan	.... 1
		J. E. Irvine	T. S. Simms	.... 1
		W. W. Turnbull	Clarke, Kerr & Thorne	.... 1
		Alf C. Blair	J. R. Stone	.... 1
		W. F. Bunting	Moses C. Barbour	.... 1
		Rev. T. F. Fotheringham	David Mitchell	.... 1
		Rev. G. M. Armstrong	James Dawson	.... 1
		James Robertson	Thos Finlay	.... 1
		C. F. Kinnear	Rev. J. B. Saer	.... 1
		Geo Bell, P. O.	Wm Young, P. O.	.... 1
		C. H. F.	John Thompson	.... 1
		James McNichol	P. Chisholm	.... 1
		Geo Morrison, jr	Rev A. J. McFarland	.... 1
		James Manchester	R. W. McCarty	.... 1
		Jas. F. Robertson	W. G. Smith	.... 1
		Joseph Allison	R. M. Smith	.... 1
		E. L. Whittaker	Hamilton Cochran	.... 1
		C. E. MacMichael	J. Willard Smith	.... 1
		J. R. Woodburn & Co.	R. H. B. Tennant	.... 1
		Hon J. D. Lewin	Geo Robertson	.... 1
		H. S. Miller	G. E. F.	.... 1
		J. R. Ruel	Wm Girvan	.... 1
		Mrs Jas O. Miller	Saml Girvan	.... 1
		Robt Miller	Joshua Clawson	.... 1
		J. F. Dockrill	James Barber	.... 1
		F. S. Thompson	S. E. Gerow	.... 1
		C. H. Dearborn	H. P. Sandall	.... 1
		Ezekiel McLeod	D. H. Hall	.... 1
		Wm J. Logan	S. Gardner	.... 1
		John M. Taylor	W. H. Venning	.... 1
		R. W. Crookebank	Elkin & Hatfield	.... 1
		Dr. G. A. Hamilton	Dani Miller	.... 1
		Dr P. R. Inohes	John R. Marshall	.... 1
		Jas E. White	Whitfield Cosman	.... 1
		Edw Sear-, Sr	Jas Cooper (South Bay)	.... 1
		Robt Blair	Gilbert Murdoch	.... 1
		Mrs Jas Lawton	John P. Wells	.... 1
		Geo A. Henderson	J. H. Wagstaff	.... 1
		James Adam	Arthur W. Sharp	.... 1
		James Fleming	E. H. McAlpine	.... 1
		T. McAvity & Sons	Phillip Palmer	.... 1
		Mrs John Sears	G. O. Bent	.... 1
		E. L. Jewett	Thos A. Dunlop	.... 1
		J. H. Scammell	John Cowan	.... 1
		F. W. Wisdom	George Younger	.... 1
		Tippett, Burdett & Co	Wm Crieg	.... 1
		T. B. Barker & Sons	I. C. Bowman	.... 1
		Thos L. Hay	John Fielders	.... 1
		S. Kerr	E. D. Outram	.... 1
	\$18 45		Thos. E. Estey	.... 1
			D. M. Sutherland	.... 1

Shediac.

Mr and Mrs Frier	....\$2
James Webster	.... 2
W. A. Russell	.... 2
James Frier	.... 1
D. S. Harper	.... 1
I. W. J. Henderson	.... 1
Rev D. D. Moore	.... 1
J. P. Johnson	.... 1
John Calder	.... 1
John McLaughlin	.... 75
Miss L. M. Deacon	.... 35

St. Andrews.

Hon B. R. Stevenson	....\$2
Mrs A. W. Smith	.... 1
J. A. Shirley	.... 1
Robt Glen	.... 1
Mrs Sarah Snellgrove	.... 1
S. T. Gore, M. D.	.... 1
Dr N. G. D. Parker	.... 1
Geo F. Campbell	.... 1
Geo S. Gimmer	.... 1
Mrs Balsom	.... 50
Mrs John Wren	.... 55
Alex McFarlane	.... 50
Mrs Richard Davis	.... 50
Andrew Lamb	.... 50
Mrs Nelson Clarke	.... 50
David Haddock	.... 50
Mrs Edward Stentford	.... 50
Donald Clark	.... 50
J. S. McMaster	.... 50
J. R. Bradford	.... 50
Daniel Hanson	.... 50
Thos Black	.... 50
Mrs John Wilson	.... 50
Miss Sprague	.... 25
John K. Pye	.... 25
Miss Fanny E. Pye	.... 25
B. F. DeWolfe	.... 25
Miss S. Maloney	.... 25
Mrs Jas Glass	.... 20

Fred E. Barke	.... 1
R. D. McArthur	.... 1
J. P. Lynch	.... 1
Wm. A. Stewart	.... 1
John Yeats	.... 1
Edwin C. Foster	.... 1
Gideon Heven	.... 1
Alf Seely	.... 1
Wm Copp	.... 1
James Patters	.... 1
D. Corbett	.... 1
Henry Dunbr	.... 1
W. S. Morris	.... 1
Mrs J. Fraser	.... 1
Morrison	.... 1
Alex Macaula	.... 1
Dr M. Sheffield	.... 1
J. M. Robins	.... 1
Joseph Finlay	.... 1
Benj Hevenor	.... 1
Rev O. Troop	.... 1
W. C. Rudm	.... 1
Chas E. Scan	.... 1
B. A. Stamer	.... 1
T. Kedey	.... 1
Wm Causey	.... 1
James Wilso	.... 1
Wm J. Fraser	.... 1
Dr T. W. Mu	.... 1
J. Alf Clark	.... 1
Campbell &	.... 1
G. B. Colwell	.... 1
A Friend	.... 1
J. Bryce	.... 1
W. H. Hayw	.... 1
W. C. Godso	.... 1
C. A. Everet	.... 1
Geo Mitchell	.... 1
Mrs. John C	.... 1
Miss Mary bl	.... 1
J. Mowatt	.... 1
Wm Cosman	.... 1
W. Henry B	.... 1
Wynnie Wil	.... 1
David Bradl	.... 1
Mrs G. F.	.... 1
(Carleto	.... 1
Isaac Sharp	.... 1
Miss Cunnin	.... 1
B. H. Thom	.... 1
James Haw	.... 1
St.	.... 1
W. H. Todd	.... 1
J. D. Chipm	.... 1
G. S. Wall	.... 1
Wm Murray	.... 1
W. H. Clark	.... 1
F. M. Murel	.... 1
Miss G. Kir	.... 1
N. M.	.... 1
Mrs Robt Cl	.... 1
Jas D. Law	.... 1
Mrs Chipm	.... 1
Josephus M	.... 1
J. F. Grant	.... 1
J. T. Whitl	.... 1
Rev. R. M.	.... 1
Hugh Stov	.... 1

ix.

Fred E. Barker	....\$1	Ross Bros	....\$1
R. D. McArthur	....1	Mrs D. Stewart	....1
J. P. Lynch	....1	Issac McElroy	....1
Wm. A. Stewart	....1	W. H. Edwards	....1
John Yeats	....1	Elwell Lowell	....1
Edwin C. Foster	....1	John Mowat	....1
Gideon Hevenor	....1	Jas A. Thompson	....1
Alf Seely	....1	C. B. Eaton	....1
Wm Copp	....1	Miss Lizzie Claak	....1
James Patterson	....1	Jos K. Laffin	....1
D. Corbett	....1	Mrs T. C. Stevenson	....1
Henry Dunbrack	....1	C. H. Smith	....1
W. S. Morrison, M.D.	....1	Rev. Gordon Short	....1
Mrs J. Fraser, c/o Dr.	....1	Edwin Price	....1
Morrison	....1	Mrs H. F. Todd	....1
Alex Macaulay	....1	R. D. Ross	....1
Dr M. Sheffield	....1	Mrs Alex McTavish	....1
J. M. Robinson	....1	John Smith	....1
Joseph Finlay	....1	S. F. Nesbitt	....1
Benj Hevenor	....1	W. W. Toal	....1
Rev O. Troop	....1	Mrs. David Upton	....1
W. C. Rudman Allen	....1	Mrs H. C. Bolton	....1
Chas E. Scammell	....1	D. F. Maxwell	....1
B. A. Stammers	....1	Geo M. Porter	....1
T. Kedey	....1	Judge Stevens	....1
Wm Causey	....1	Dr W. M. Deinstadt	....1
James Wilson	....1	Fred Waterson	....1
Wm J. Fraser	....1	I. B. Oakes	....1
Dr T. W. Musgrove	....1	Hugh McKenna	....1
J. Alf Clark, (Carleton)	....1	Nicholas Carter	....1
Campbell & Ellis	....1	D. A.	....1
G. B. Colwell	....1	Wm Acheson	....1
A. Friend	....1	W. P. Wescott	....1
J. Bryce	....1	F. L. Ham	....1
W. H. Hayward	....1	John M. Stevens	....1
W. C. Godsoe	....1	C. J. G.	....1
C. A. Everett	....1	Thos M. Vanstone	....1
Geo Mitchell	....1	J. Alex Boyd	....1
Mrs. John Coleman	....1	Miss A. L. Brittain	....1
Miss Mary Sloan, (Carl'tn)	50	Mrs Robt Stevenson	....1
J. Mowatt	....1	Mrs H. H. Moore	....1
Wm Cosman	....1	50 Frank McKenzie	....1
W. Henry Bell	....1	50 Mrs Jas McKenzie	....1
Wynnie Wilson	....1	50 Mrs C. O. Barker	....1
David Bradley	....1	Mrs Wn. Owen	....1
Mrs G. F. Harding,	....1	Mrs Jos Porter	....1
(Carleton)	....1	50 A Friend	....1
Isaac Sharp, (Carleton)	....1	25 Edw Hughes	....1
Miss Cunningham	....1	25 Miss Annie Clark	....1
B. H. Thomas, (S. Bay)	....1	10 M. C.	....1
James Hawkes	....1	Mrs A. J. Varney	....1
		S. W. Cosseboom	....1
	\$321 60		

St. Stephen.

W. H. Todd, M. D.	....\$5
J. D. Chipman	....5
G. S. Wall	....3 50
Wm Murray	....2
W. H. Clarke	....2
F. M. Murchie	....2
Miss G. Kirk	....2
N. M.	....1
Mrs Robt Clark	....1
Jas D. Lawson, M. D.	....1
Mrs Chipman	....1
Josephus Murchie	....1
J. F. Grant	....1
J. T. Whitlock	....1
Rev. R. M. Hunt	....1
Hugh Stevenson	....1

Sussex.

Donald Fraser	....\$5
W. B. Scovil	....1
C. W. Stockton	....1
Henry Hawkesworth	....1
J. S. Trites	....1
Rev. G. N. McDonald	....1
Rev. James Gray	....1
Thomas Roach	....1
J. S. Trites	....1
H. A. White	....1
S. H. Galbraith	....1
George Suffron	....1
Joshua Prescot	....1

Joseph H. Higrins	....\$1
Isaac Deboo	....1
Mrs Arthur McLean	....1
Mrs Jas Robertson	....80
W. A. Tweedale	....50
John Graham	....50
Peter McKay	....50
James Titus	....50
Brown Harrison	....50
James Feeoney	....25
Henry Golding	....25
	\$23 80

Upper Woodstock.

D. J. Holder\$1
--------------	---------

Woodstock.

L. P. Fisher	....\$25
R. M. Bailey	....4
Wm M. Connell	....3
Geo N. Clark	75
Jas F. Smith	....2
D. F. Merritt	....2
Geo F. Atherton	....2
A. B. Connell	....1
Donald Munro	....1
Mrs H. K. Jones	....1
Simon McLeod	....1
T. L. Estey	....1
R. B. Porter	....1
John McLaughlan	....1
Mrs W. D. Camber	....1
J. T. Raymond	....1
G. A. White	....1
R. B. Jones	....1
W. V. Segee	....1
H. Paxton Baird	....1
W. F. Dibblee	....1
S. Smith, M. D.	....1
Geo L. Holyoke	....1
J. R. Murphy	....1
Mrs G. H. Connell	....1
Williamson Fisher	....1
John McAfee	....1
G. W. Vanwort	....1
W. B. Nicholson	....1
Hugh Davis	....1
John M. Fripp	....1
S. B. Appleby	....1
Mrs. J. D. Dickinson	....1
W. Wallace Hay	....1
Rev C. T. Phillips	....1
Rev T. J. Deinstadt	....1
W. B. Jewett	....1
Wm Wright, (Up Cor)	....50
Alex. Henderson	....50
Miss A. M. Boyer	....50
F. E. Emery	....50
Mrs Chalmers	....50
Wm Glew	....50
J. A. L.	....25
Miss Nellie Hart	....25
Mrs Zopher Phillips	....25
	\$74 26

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Carbonear.					
		John Steer	£1 0	0 J. A. Whiteford	£0 5 0
		Hon J. S. Winter	1 0	0 R. Harvey	5 0
Duff & Balmer	£0 10 0	James Baird	1 0	0 A. Penny	5 0
Joseph Maddock	5 0	Hon A. M. Mackay	1 0	0 Isaac C. Morris	5 0
R. Simpson	5 0	James Goldie	0 0	0 W. F. Parsons	5 0
James McPherson	2 6	W. H. Mare, Son & Co	1 0	0 H. W. Robertson	5 0
R. M. Duff	2 6	M. T. Knight	1 0	0 A. Mews	5 0
J. G. Kirkwood	2 6	John McNeil	15 0	0 Wm. Hayward	5 0
F. T. Bemister	2 6	William Frew	10 0	0 John Cowan	5 0
John Korke, Jr	2 6	Capt John Green	10 0	0 W. Martin	5 0
Arthur Taylor	2 6	F. W. Finlay	10 0	0 F. Winsborrow	5 0
Mrs John Foote	2 6	James Gordon	10 0	0 G. J. Steer	5 0
		M. Thornburn	10 0	0 A. T. Steer	5 0
		C. Macpherson	10 0	0 A. E. Steer	5 0
	£1 17 6	J. H. Munroe	1 0	0 Fred A. Gear	5 0
		McDougal & Templeton	10 0	0 Wm M. Samways	5 0
		G. H. Archibald	10 0	0 W. R. Chauncey	5 0
		A. Disciple	1 0	0 Alex D. Rankin	5 0
		Richard Neyle	10 0	0 E. Hunter	5 0
John Munn & Co	£5 0 0	William Campbell	10 0	0 W. T. Freeman	5 0
John Patterson	1 10 0	Blackwood & Blair	10 0	0 Walter Clouston	5 0
Jillard Ross & Co	1 0 0	D. Baird	10 0	0 Robt Barnes	5 0
C. W. Bross & Co	1 0 0	J. Woods & Son	10 0	0 Goudie Diamond	5 0
J. Apsey	10 0	P. Rogerson & Son	10 0	0 Mrs J. H. Martin	5 0
Claudius Watts	10 0	J. O. Fraser	10 0	0 Geo F. Hayward	5 0
H. J. Watts	10 0	D. Morrison	10 0	0 John Winter	5 0
W. H. Thompson	10 0	Henry Cooke	10 0	0 Mark Chaplin	5 0
F. H. Archibald	7 6	W. & G. Rendell	10 0	0 McCoubrey & Clouston	5 0
W. M. Allan, M.D.	5 0	Hugh Gammell	10 0	0 John McKenzie	5 0
Edward C. Quintin	5 0	G. Browning & Son	10 0	0 S. Woods	5 0
Robert Badcock	5 0	D. Solater	10 0	0 R. K. Bishop	5 0
John Brunlees	5 0	J. Maunder	10 0	0 Alfred Northfield	5 0
Alex Clift	5 0	L. T. Chancey	10 0	0 J. L. Duchemin	5 0
A. H. Seymour	5 0	Stabb, Row & Holmwood	10 0	0 C. S. Pinsent	5 0
J. H. Montgomery	5 0	John Adrian	10 0	0 W. W. Watson	5 0
W. Ward	5 0	H. B. Lyon	10 0	0 Roy M. Harvey	5 0
Dugald Munn	5 0	James Stott	10 0	0 G. H. Garden	5 0
P. D. Knight	5 0	J. E. Peters	7 6	0 H. W. LeMessurier	5 0
Chas R. Pool	5 0	G. W. Mews	5 0	0 John B. Ayre	5 0
O. V. Travers	5 0	W. S. Q.	5 0	0 Alex McNiven	5 0
H. H. Parsons	2 6	James Angel	5 0	0 Win Codner	5 0
Willis Davis	2 6	James A. Carmichael	5 0	0 J. H. Noonan	5 0
Levi Frost	2 6	William Cook	5 0	0 Alex Scott	5 0
Edwin Parsons	2 6	W. Ohman	5 0	0 A. G. Smith	5 0
A. Rutherford	2 6	E. Hancock	5 0	0 N. L. Cousins	5 0
James Hutchings	2 6	Alex Bryden	5 0	0 W. H. Crowdy	5 0
		Dr T. L. Hallett	5 0	0 Robt Leard	5 0
	£14 2 6	John T. Gillard	5 0	0 F. Parnell	5 0
		Alex Christian	5 0	0 D. Patrick	4 0
		H. Gear	5 0	0 John Merceer	3 0
		John T. Carnell	5 0	0 George Liscomb	3 0
Walter Grieve & Co	£5 0 0	W. H. Lash	5 0	0 G. L. Q.	3 0
Braine, Johnston & Co	5 0 0	C. E. Archibald	5 0	0 Wm Coysh	2 6
J. & W. Stewart	5 0 0	G. A. Scott	5 0	0 W. Campbell	2 6
Harvey & Co	2 10 0	Aug Linstrom	5 0	0 A. R. Woolgar	2 6
Ayre & Sons	2 10 0	Hugh Baird	5 0	0 Geo Gray	2 6
Goodfellow & Co	2 10 0	Thos Winter	5 0	0 John Clarke	2 6
Edwin Dyer	2 0 0	James C. Tessier	5 0	0 Henry Housell	2 6
Job Brothers & Co	2 0 0	Franklin Hamlin	5 0	0 James Stewart	2 6
John Archibald	1 5 0	J. B. Curran	5 0	0 J. Courtney	2 6
Dr W. F. Burns	1 0 0	Arch H. Christian	5 0	0 E. Murray	2 6
Hon Jas S. Pitts	1 0 0	T. M. Simpson	5 0	0 Robt Watson	2 6
Clift, Wood & Co	1 0 0	Fred Dunham	5 0	0 F. C. Wills	2 6
J. & W. Boyd	1 0 0	J. & T. Martin	5 0	0 W. Winsborough	2 6
R. Brown	1 0 0	Alex Robertson	5 0	0 G. H. B.	2 6
S. March & Sons	1 0 0	W. J. Barnes	5 0	0 L. C. Sutcliffe	2 6
Robt Peace & Co	1 0 0	R. White	5 0	0 James Fletcher	2 6
A. Goodridge & Sons	1 0 0	W. R. Stirling	5 0	0 Andrew Glendenning	2 6
Hon M. Munroe	1 0 0	J. J. Martin	5 0	0 E. W. Lyon	2 6
P. & I. Tessier	1 0 0	J. S. Hayward	5 0	0 Alex Smith	2 6

J. W. West
D. Monroe
W. H. Davidson
Alex Jack
S. J. Tucker
J. W. McCoubrey
P. Laurie
C. Pitman
Z. Cox
R. W. Cram
Fred Seymour
J. B. Ayre
James Jardine

Acadia

Peter Fraser
S. H. Smith
Archibald Muir
J. G. Flaikie
Dr. McDonald
W. C. McDonald
G. McDonald
John Falconer
Cash
James Forman
Thos E. Atkins
Charles W. Tot
Jacob Peppard
Mr Lawrence
Frank Peppard
A Friend

Anb

A. Robb
Townsend & D
Senator Dickce
F. B. Robb
D. W. Robb
J. McKeen
Thomas Dunla
Atcheson Moff
J. K. Elderkin
A. W. Murray
N. A. Rhodes
R. N. Davis
W. T. Pipes
W. H. McDon
Dr N. Tupper
W. F. Donkin
G. B. Smith
Dr C. A. Black
C. S. Chapman
M. D. Pride
T. N. Campbell
Mark Curry
J. Alex Christ
Eupert Logan
James Cook
A. Purdy, Sr.
William Murr
Mrs Hiram Bl
John Logan
Samuel Free
Herbert M. Co
Rufus Hicks

T. S. Berry	....	25
Burton Berry	....	25
Mrs J. D. McCart	....	25
Mrs Martha Yuill	....	25
James D. McLellan	....	25
G. M. Hill	....	25
Mrs John Ellis	....	25
Miss Hattie P. Hill	....	25
Miss Mary Moody	....	25
Mrs Isaac Reid	....	25
Miss Maggie Reid	....	25
Mrs Trites	....	25
W. A. Fulmore	....	25
W. A. McLaughlan	....	25
Mrs John Moore	....	25
John Hill	....	25
Robert Hill	....	25
Samuel Lewis	....	25
Thomas Fulton	....	25
Adam Lewis	....	25
Mrs Samuel Crowe	....	25
Mrs Allison C. Morrison	....	20

Five Islands.

J. W. Brodrick	....	\$1 50
A. Y. Corbett	....	1
Harris Fulmore	....	50
David Adams	....	25
Israel Brodrick	....	50
J. R. Fulmore	....	50
Wm F. Morrison	....	40
A. K. Graham	....	25
T. R. Morrison	....	25
Mark Fulmore, Jr	....	25
Mark T. Fulmore	....	25
"Friend"	....	25
Marion Fulmore	....	25
Mrs Geo A. Morrison	....	20
Mrs Alex McBurnie	....	6

Miss Maggie E. Matheson.	25
A Friend	.... 25
Daniel Desmond	.... 25
T. H. Berg	.... 25
Eph Taylor	.... 25
Rod McRae	.... 25
Jas Taylor	.... 25

	\$10 90

Granville Ferry.

Troup & Irvine	....	\$1
W. McCormick	....	1
J. M. Gilliat	....	1
Robert Mills	....	1
Rev. F. P. Greatorex	....	1
Capt Johnson	....	1
S. Bekup	....	1
Dr. Coleman	....	50
Geo W Mills	....	25
R. Delap	....	25

Folly Village, (P. O.)

Wm Faulkner	....	\$1
James Flemming	....	1
John P. Smith	....	1
Mrs Charles Stewart	....	20

Great Village.

G. M. Blaikie	....	\$3
Mrs James Corbett	....	2
Rev. James McLean	....	1
J. M. Spencer	....	1
Layton & McDormond	....	1
I. W. Johnson	....	1
Robert McLeod	....	95
Miss E. C. Spencer	....	75
Capt Congdon	....	50
Mrs Congdon	....	50
Mrs Suther Spencer	....	50
J. A. Hill	....	50
A. B. Chisholm	....	35
Mrs H. Chisholm	....	25
Mrs M. Rutherford	....	25
Mrs John Maxwell	....	20

Elmsfield, (Picou Co.)

John Graham	....	\$0 25
Charles Graham	....	C 20

		\$ 45

Fort Lawrence,

Botsford Bent	\$1
---------------	------	-----

Gay's River.

John Cook	....	\$1
Wm Annand	....	50
Mrs John Annand	....	50
D. G. McDonald	....	25
James C. Mackay	....	25
R. P. McQuinn	....	25
Henry A Benjamin	....	25
Mrs D. G. McDonald	....	20

Fisher's Grant.

Hector McKinnon	....	\$0 50
Joseph Sproull	....	50
D. A. McDonald	....	50
D. A. McLeod	....	50
Wm Calder	....	50
Robt Fraser	....	50
Joseph Dee	....	50
A. Sco t	....	50
D. Bain	....	50
John Fraser	....	50
Willie E. Sproull	....	50
Alex R. McLeod	....	50
J. Archd Sproull	....	50
Alex Pushie	....	50
Jno Ferguson	....	50
Thos Foster	....	50
W. Foster	....	50
Angus McKay	....	50
Jas Chisholm	....	50
Mrs W. Fernie	....	40
Angus McDonald	....	35
Mrs Christian	....	25
Mrs Kenneth McKenzie	....	25
Arch McPherson	....	25
Jno. Ferguson	....	25
D. McDonald	....	25
Marion Sproull	....	25
Mrs Thos Gray	....	25
Mrs Geo McPherson	....	25
P. A. McKenzie	....	25
A. Mitchell	....	25
Geo McDonald	....	25
Wm Grant	....	25
Maggie Rankin	....	20

Granton.

Neil Fraser	....	\$1
J. G. English	....	50
Simeon Smith	....	50
Henry Blair	....	50
Herbert Blair	....	50
Richard Smith	....	50
Kenneth Smith	....	50
John McRae	....	50
Simeon Wooden	....	50
Reuben Wooden	....	50
Duncan McRae	....	50
Mrs Lea-der Johnson	....	50
George Pa ck	....	40
Jas Roach	....	25
Willis Taylor	....	25
John Roach	....	25
Geo Marshall	....	25
Howard Kennedy	....	25
Simon Murray	....	25
Edw Walters	....	25
Mrs Edw Walters	....	25
Mrs Alex Fraser	....	25

Guysborough.

Mrs W. F. Desbarres	....	\$1 50
George Jos	....	1
Rufus A. Tremaine	....	1
H. M. Jos	....	1
Donald McGregor	....	75
Sheriff Peart	....	50
Wm Hartshorne	....	50
Wm Cameron	....	50
Dr Buckley	....	50
L. E. Hart	....	50
W. G. Scott	....	50
J. H. Buckley	....	50

Halifax.

T. A. Brown	....	\$100
Jairus Hart	....	40
J. S. Maclean	....	20
J. F. Avery, M.D.	....	20
Geo H. Starr	....	20

Sir Hugh Hoyles
Do. For colp
Newland & I
Mrs Murdoch

Sir William You
A. M. Bell
S. M. Brookfield
Lieut Gov. Riel
J. Scott Hutton
James Farquhar
Mrs Jeremiah N
R. F. Burns, D.
John Crear
James Forrest
W. C. Silver
Adam Burns
Thomas Bayne
Thomas A. Rito
James Morrow
Lawson, Harri
Mayor MacInt
Herbert Harris
J. A. Turnbull
G. E. F.
Peter Jack
Hon Dr Parker
Rev John McMi
Longard Bros
R. McDonald
Rev Dr Forrest
Hon Judge Jan

Major-General
B.
C. W. Anderson
M. M. J. R.
Black Bros & C
T. B. Atkins
P. Thompson
Wm Robertson
J. Gilson
B. & B.

In loving reme
A. N. Arch
Hon S. L. Sha
Mrs C. E. Wis
Poor Man's Po
W. J. Fraser
Matheson, H
W. J. Fraser
F. D. Corbett
John S. Smith
J. H. Anstn
E. Downie, D
W. J. Colema
Charles Bell
W. H. Wiswel
Hon A. G. Jo
Clayton & So
S. H. Black
T. A. S. DeW
J. W. Gorham
Sheriff Archib
S. O. Hogg
Peter Ross
E. G. Smith
Rev H. H. M
Cash
Mrs M. J. Mo
J. W. Heckm
E. S. B. Smith
Rev H. J. W

Millville.	
Robert Young	...\$1
James Rae	... 1
Fred Cunningham	... 1
Murdoch McKenzie	... 75
George Young	... 75
Alex Young	... 75
Wm Ross	... 50
Alex Fitzpatrick	... 50
Thomas J. Young	... 50
John R. Young	... 50
John Young	... 50
Robt Thompson	... 38
Thos Rogers	... 25
Robert D. McKay	... 25
Drusilla McKay	... 20
	<hr/>
	\$8 83
Nappan.	
Rev McArthur	...\$0 50
New Annan.	
Rev Robt C. Quinn	...\$2
John Atchison	... 1
Nathaniel Forbes	... 1
William Creighton	... 1
John McGeorge	... 50
Mrs E. K. Johnston	... 50
Robt L. Byers	... 50
E. P. Byers	... 50
R. H. Byers	... 50
Gavin Bell	... 25
George B. Johnston	... 25
James Murdoch	... 25
	<hr/>
	\$8 00
New Glasgow.	
Dr Fraser	...\$6
J. W. Carmichael	... 5
A. C. Thompson	... 5
Mrs R. McGregor	... 3
George F. McKay	... 2 50
Mrs N. McKenzie	... 2
T. E. Fraser	... 2
Dr Miller	... 2
G. Fraser	... 2
Geo Hattie	... 2
John McPherson, stonec	... 2
A. Walker	... 2
Mrs John C. Reid	... 2
John W. Fraser	... 2
D. C. Fraser	... 2
Rev E. A. McCurdy	... 2
P. A. McGregor	... 1 50
John P. McKenzie	... 1 50
Hugh Ross	... 1 50
Thos G. McKay	... 1 50
J. R. Smith	... 1 50
Mrs Hugh Ross, Box 61.	... 1 25
Rev G. Murray	... 1
Angus McQueen	... 1
Geo M. Kerr	... 1

Duncan Ross	...\$1
Angus Chisholm	... 1
G. A. Douglas	... 1
Mrs E. Grant	... 1
R. S. McCurdy	... 1
J. F. Doull	... 1
Dr Mitchell	... 1
J. Fisher Grant	... 1
J. H. Cavanagh	... 1
Alex McDonald	... 1
Mrs J. Matheson	... 1
H. Graham	... 1
A. M. MacGregor	... 1
Archd McColl	... 1
Thomas MacFraser	... 1
Joseph Keay	... 1
R. P. Fraser	... 1
Simon A. Fraser	... 1
Wm T. Sutherland	... 1
Alex Grant	... 1
Thomas Green	... 1
Alex G. Fraser	... 1
Wm Stewart	... 1
James Cantley	... 1
John Stewart	... 1
Archd McKenzie	... 1
John C. Cameron	... 1
J. L. Jennison	... 1
A. & J. W. Fraser	... 1
Wm McIntosh	... 1
Miss Susan Sutherland	... 1
James D. McGregor	... 1
Kenneth Forbes, Sr	... 1
Alex Cameron	... 1
Mrs Henry Ritchie	... 1
Wm Hampson	... 1
John Cameron, tailor	... 75
J. G. Marshall	... 55
D. S. Fraser	... 50
W. H. Sylvester	... 50
B. F. Kerr	... 50
Edward A. Grant	... 50
A. L. Murray	... 50
Adam Stewart	... 50
Hugh Fraser	... 50
Daniel McKenzie	... 50
Pratt Sinclair	... 50
Hugh Rose	... 50
Wm Fraser	... 50
J. R. Fraser	... 50
Wm Roddam	... 50
Benjamin Humphreys	... 50
G. Drysdale	... 50
H. F. Cohoon	... 50
Kenneth McKenzie	... 50
Ansel Woodin	... 50
Jacob C. Olding	... 50
Finlay Ballantine	... 50
"Cash"	... 50
Hugh Chisholm	... 50
John Bradburg	... 50
John W. Fraser, Box 201.	... 50
T. M. Patten	... 50
G. M. Munro, Jr	... 50
Denford McDougall	... 50
A Friend	... 25
James F. Fraser	... 25
Robert Stroud	... 25
Wm Henry Clark	... 25
J. R. McLean	... 25
C. T. Bent	... 25

\$106 35

Noel.	
Osmond O'Brien	...\$2
E. A. O'Brien	... 1
Samuel O'Brien	... 1
Rev J. W. Cox	... 1
Milton O'Brien	... 1
Thomas Hunter	... 1
Mrs S. Bernard	... 75
" J. M. O'Brien	... 50
Miss Mary A. Densmore.	... 50
Mrs Janet O'Brien	... 25
" Finlay Murdoch	... 25
Miss Mary Little	... 25
Mrs Adam J. O'Brien	... 25
" Robert Spencer	... 25
" Andrew Spencer	... 25
R. M. Stirling	... 25
John Densmore	... 25
Miss Ellen Densmore	... 25
Mrs E. L. Densmore	... 25
Calvin O'Brien	... 10
	<hr/>
	\$11 15

Noel Shore.	
Charles Wright	...\$ 25
Capt A. Campbell	... 25
J. G. McLellan	... 25
W. L. McLellan	... 25
	<hr/>
	\$1 00

Oxford.	
Hugh Fraser	...\$1
Isaac J. Hingley	... 1
E. A. King	... 50
A. S. McIntosh	... 50
H. L. Hewson	... 50
J. H. Treen	... 50
Francis Mattinson	... 50
W. Oxley	... 50
J. W. Wood	... 50
Henry Davis	... 50
Rufus Wood	... 25
Mrs R. E. Robb	... 25
A Friend	... 25
Mrs R. H. Whidden	... 10
Mrs Byron Thompson	... 10
	<hr/>
	\$6 95

Parrsborough.	
A. S. Townsend	...\$1
H. H. McCully	... 1
Grand Central Hotel	... 1
Dr A. T. Clarke	... 1
W. J. Gibson	... 50
Mrs W. D. McKenzie	... 50
J. G. Holmes	... 50
Mrs N. H. Upham	... 50
Mrs Rytkogel	... 50
S. R. DeWolfe	... 50
G. G. Reed	... 50
Mrs McCabe	... 50
R. Aikman	... 50
Miss J. Gibson	... 25
D. A. Smith	... 25

E. W. Beaty
Mrs. Allen
Geo Dodsworth
"Cash"
A Friend

Pic
WARD

Col. by Miss M
and Miss M

H. Primrose
Mrs John McK
Mrs Goodfellow
A. Ferguson
D. McDonald,
Mrs McPhail
Mrs C. Dwyer
Mrs Geo D. Ives
Mrs Daniel Mc
Mrs G. Ballie
Mrs J. Stewart
Mrs James Mc
Mrs Wilson
E. L. Armstrong
D. McMillan
Mrs Dan Stiles
W. H. McDona
Mrs H. Hende
Mrs N. Stiles
Mrs Gammon
Mrs A. Logan
Mrs Porter
Mrs Chas Log
Mrs A. Hogg
Miss Murray
Blink Bonnie
Mrs C. Vance
Mrs S. Harris
Mrs W. H. Ha
Miss Hepburn
Mrs Capt Tho
Miss M. Keitel
Mrs D. M. Fra
Miss B. Dicks
Mrs J. Fergus
Mrs Hoeline
A Friend
Miss Alic
Mrs McMillan
Friends

WA

Collected by
McLenno
Porteous

Mrs J. T. Ives
A. Henderson
D. B. Fraser
A. H. McKay
J. Gammell
J. D. B. Fras
Johnson & M

Fugwash.

J. G. Wells	....\$3
Dr. Mackintosh	.... 2
Mrs Gillean McKinnon	.... 2
A. Wilson	.... 2
Angus Beaton	.... 1 25
W. H. Brown	.... 1
R. A. Dakin, M.D.	.... 1
James Stewart	.... 1
D. A. Matheson	.... 1
A. McDonald	.... 1
Levi Borden	.... 1
H. C. Black	.... 1
J. A. Ash	.... 1
Joseph Matheson	.... 50
Cyrus Bent	.... 50
Mrs John B. Read	.... 80
Mrs M Matheson	.... 25
Geo Read	.... 25
James Stevens	.... 25
John Seaman	.... 25
J. A. Elliott	.... 25
Dr McDonald	.... 25
<hr/>	
	\$21 05

River John.

Chas McJennan	....\$2
A. McKenzie	.... 2
M. H. Fitzpatrick	.... 2
Eben McLeod	.... 1 25
John Henry	.... 1
W. Redmond	.... 1
Mrs John McKenzie	.... 1
Robert Sutherland	.... 1
Rev C. W. Swallow	.... 1
Adams Archibald	.... 1
John Tattrie	.... 1
Abram Langille, Marsh- ville	.... 1
A. Geddie Langille, Marsh- ville	.... 1
John Holmes	.... 1
Dr Collie	.... 1
John McLean	.... 1
Wm Reid	.... 1
Abram Langille	.... 1
James Perrin	.... 1
J. R. Langille	.... 1
Thomas Mitchell	.... 1
Geo. Gordon	.... 1
Mrs James Lander	.... 75
" Isaac Langille	.... 55
Wm McIntosh	.... 50
Leigh Hart Langille	.... 50
David Langille, Louisville	.... 50
James Grant	.... 50
Nathan Langille	.... 50
A. G. McKay	.... 50
Wm McKenzie	.... 50
Mrs Wm. Morrill	.... 50
D. McDonald	.... 30
William Morrill	.... 25
John J. Stramberg	.... 25
James B. Langille, Marsh- ville	.... 25
Ephraim Langille, Marsh- ville	.... 25
James Langille, D. s son	.... 25
David Tattrie	.... 25

Mrs Alex Langille	.... 25
Cole A. Langille	.... 25
T. H. Bigney	.... 25
James Langille	.... 25

Riversdale.

Rev H. Crawford\$1
-----------------	---------

Roger's Hill.

Miss M. J. Millar	....\$1
Alex Fraser	.... 1
John Millar	.... 50
John R. Fraser	.... 50
Mrs Adam McKeen	.... 25
" D. McKenzie	.... 25
" Neil Matheson	.... 25
Roderick McLean	.... 25
Mrs K. I. Matheson	.... 25
Duncan McLean	.... 25

Round Hill.

James Fullerton	....\$1
Daniel Cameron	.... 1
<hr/>	
	\$2 00

Saltsprings, (Picou.)

John R. Bell	....\$0 50
Samuel Satchell	.... 50
John A. McLeod	.... 50
Robert McLeod	.... 50
Mrs John Proudfoot	.... 50
<hr/>	
	\$2 50

Scotsburn.

James McIntosh	....\$1
Wm Dinwoodie	.... 1
Daniel McKay	.... 50
<hr/>	
	\$2 50

Selma.

Capt A. A. McDougall	....\$3 00
Archibald Frame	.... 1
G. L. Stairs	.... 1
Mrs John Allen	.... 1
G. W. Corbett	.... 1
W. M. Smith	.... 50
Rupert Cox	.... 50
D. R. Smith	.... 30
David M. Faulkner	.... 30
Mrs D. M. Faulkner	.... 25
Wm Esdale	.... 25
Mrs L. Densmore	.... 25
<hr/>	
	\$9 35

Shelburne.

H. H. Whittier	....\$1
Rev J. Rosborough	.... 1
R. G. Irwin	.... 80
Wm J. McGill	.... 50
Mrs E. L. King	.... 50
W. W. Atwood	.... 50
J. C. Harlow	.... 50
C. E. Kelly	.... 50
Dr Burns	.... 50
Wm Taylor	.... 25
A. Irwin	.... 25
<hr/>	
	\$6 30

Sherbrooke.

Daniel Hattie	....\$4
Rev J. L. George	.... 4
John A. McDonald	.... 1
Donald McLean	.... 1
George Manson	.... 1
John Cumming	.... 1
M. McGrath	.... 1
Donald McDonald	.... 1
Mrs John Cumming	.... 1
Thos Caupbell	.... 50
Wm B. McLean	.... 50
Mrs G. B. Ross	.... 50
George McIntosh	.... 50
W. D. R. Cameron	.... 50
Daniel McMillan	.... 50
W. H. McDonald	.... 50
John H. McKean	.... 50
Mrs John McDaniels	.... 50
William L. Pye	.... 50
Miss Kate Fraser	.... 50
Miss Kate McDonald	.... 50
Mrs Wm Murdoch, Jr.	.... 50
A. E. Dechman	.... 50
Mrs Wm Murdoch, Sr.	.... 50
D A McDonald	.... 50
J. W. McDonald	.... 50
Angus Cameron	.... 50
Allan McQuarrie	.... 50
Mrs Jas D. McIntosh	.... 30
Mrs Alex N. McDonald	.... 25
Mrs J. H. McDonald	.... 25
Alex McDonald	.... 25
W. H. McDaniels	.... 25
John Cameron	.... 25
Howard McLean	.... 20
<hr/>	
	\$26 25

Shubenacadie.

Rev M. G. Henry	....\$1
A. Kirkpatrick	.... 1
Mrs Gillis	.... 1
J. E. Fitch	.... 1
T. P. McHeffey	.... 1
John Lynch	.... 1
George Dewis	.... 1
Mrs E. E. Cook	.... 50
A Friend	.... 50
Francis Parker	.... 50
Mrs Dugald McLachlan	.... 50
Mrs A. S. Calder	.... 50
Miss P. J. Lynch	.... 50

Dr McLean
Mrs Allan Parker
Samuel Dewis
John Andrews
Henry Schwartz
Issac Dewis
Mrs John Parker
R. Fish
J. B. Campbell
"No Name"
George Logan
Chas Fraser
Mrs Andrew For
Mrs Ross McLea

Some
Geo H. Magee
Silas Bishop
Dr Best
Jas A. Morton
F. L. Strong

South
Mrs M. L. Tuck
Wm Adams
O. P. J.
H. C. Laurenco
A. B. Lusby
Chas Laurence
Mrs Gilbert L
Mrs W. T. Hay
E. H. Bradsha
Albert McCabe

Spring
D. S. Ross
R. H. Cooper
Rev J. M. Rol
Wm Hall
Rev E. E. Eng
J. W. Cove, M
A. E. Fraser
Daniel Roger
A. McLeod
Alex Dick
Mrs John M
John Murray
Murdoch Mo
Chas Simpson
W. B. Fraser
Mrs Hugh R
Alex McDon
Mrs A. H. F
Duncan Cam
Henry Swift
James Rich
W. C. Dick
Joseph Slnp
Terrice & W
S. McNutt
Simon Fras

Middle (Stewiacke).

Mrs J. T. Dunlap	....\$1
Hugh Dunlap	.... 1
Samuel F. Creelman	.... 1
George Campbell	.... 1
Rupert Fulton	.... 1
John Dickie	.... 60
Robert G. Rutherford	.... 50
George Taylor	.... 50
John F. Putnam	.... 50
Wm Fisher	.... 30
Alex Fisher	.... 25
Mrs R. G. Rutherford	.... 25
John G. Rutherford	.... 25
Jas Hamilton	.... 25
Mrs Samuel Pollock	.... 25

	\$8 65

Fembroke (Upper Stewiacke).

Sydney Smith	....\$ 50
Miss Miller	.... 50

	\$1 00

South Branch (Upper Stewiacke).

Robison Nelson	....\$1
Mrs R. Nelson	.... 1
Wm Andrews	.... 50
Wm Dunlap	.... 50
Robert Frame	.... 50
Wm Tays	.... 25
D. C. Archibald	.... 25
Jas Dunlap	.... 10

	\$4 10

South Vale (Upper Stewiacke).

Wm Graham\$1
-----------	---------

Springside (Upper Stewiacke).

Rev S. C. Gunn\$1
----------------	---------

Upper Stewiacke.

Jas E. Dickie	....\$2
Mrs Dr Smith, Sr	.... 2
Rev E. Grant	.... 1
Robinson Cox, M. D.	.... 1
Mrs Robt Creelman	.... 1
Alfred Dickie	.... 1
George Fulton	.... 50
Mrs G. Fulton	.... 50
Wm Fulton	.... 50
Miss Tupper	.... 50
Wm Bentley	.... 50

Mrs Frank Cox	.... 50
Robert Gammell	.... 50
E. Creelman	.... 25

Tatamagouche.

John Clark	....\$2
James Cassidy	.... 1 60
A. W. McDonald	.... 1 60
George Clark	.... 1 60
Mrs Flora Spinney	.... 1
Rev Thos Sedgewick	.... 1
David Chambers	.... 1
D. A. Fraser	.... 1
John Millar	.... 1
Miss Isabella Ross	.... 1
Archd Campbell	.... 1
A. McLeod	.... 50
D. Malcolm	.... 50
D. Nelson	.... 50
Robert Purvis	.... 50
Timothy McLellan	.... 50
Miss Dobson	.... 25
John Oliver	.... 25
Mrs A. Patriquin	.... 25
Mrs Robert Cunningham (Bay)	.... 25

Tenecape.

A. Hill\$ 50
---------	-----------

Truro.

Wm. Cumming's Son & Co.	....\$5
J. F. Blanchard	.... 2
Israel Longworth	.... 2
J. K. Blair	.... 2
J. D. MacKay	.... 2
Rev J. F. Dustan	.... 2
Hugh McKenzie	.... 2
R. Craig & Son	.... 1
H. L. Atkins	.... 1
A. Allan	.... 1
J. Jamieson	.... 1
F. A. Lawrence	.... 1
S. D. McLellan	.... 1
Dr W. E. McRoberts	.... 1
Hon Thos McKay	.... 1
John F. Crowe	.... 1
S. G. Chambers	.... 1
Dr. Page	.... 1
Mrs Geo McLeod	.... 1
James Lawrie	.... 1
Rev John Robbins	.... 1
J. Stanfield	.... 1
W. D. McCallum	.... 1
Chas P. Morgan	.... 1
W. S. Muir, M. D.	.... 1
Rev T. Cumming	.... 1
Miss L. Smith	.... 1
C. B. Archibald	.... 1
W. H. Beck	.... 1
James Binell	.... 1
Fraser McAskill	.... 1
Miss Forbes	.... 1
James Milne	.... 1

W. McCully	....\$1
M. Dickie	.... 1
J. B. Calkin	.... 1
Mrs R. Chambers	.... 1
J. J. Snook	.... 50
B. Fulton	.... 50
Geo J. McLeod	.... 50
C. P. Blanchard	.... 50
A. B. Phillips	.... 50
John Hay	.... 50
Isaac Snook	.... 50
H. Tupper	.... 50
John Lewis	.... 50
W. S. Fraser	.... 50
Rev. Kaulback	.... 50
Miss M. J. Smith	.... 50
Miss Maggie Murray	.... 50
Miss Ellen Ferguson	.... 50
Miss Laura McLean	.... 50
W. T. Archibald	.... 50
H. M. Chambers	.... 50
H. T. Lawrence	.... 40
A. N. Tupper	.... 25
Graham P. Logan	.... 25
Alex McLeod	.... 25

Donations which were too late to appear in Report for 1885.

Wm Cummings Sons & Co.	....\$5
George Campbell	.... 5
Hugh McKenzie	.... 2
Israel Longworth	.... 2
J. K. Blair	.... 2
J. M. Pitblado	.... 2
J. F. Blanchard	.... 2
Senator McKay	.... 1
James Birrell	.... 1
R. Craig & Son	.... 1
J. B. Calkin	.... 1
Charles P. Morgan	.... 1
S. D. McLellan	.... 1
S. G. Chambers	.... 1
F. A. Lawrence	.... 1
Dr. McRobert	.... 1
Rev J. F. Dustan	.... 1
Dr Page	.... 1
Mrs George McLeod	.... 1
Rev T. Cumming	.... 1
John A. Tucker	.... 1
Mrs R. Chambers	.... 1
Howard M. Chambers	.... 1
D. H. Smith	.... 1
A. Allan	.... 1
Hiram Hyde	.... 1
J. F. Crowe	.... 1
H. L. Atkins	.... 1
J. Jamieson	.... 1
J. D. McKay	.... 1
B. Fulton	.... 50
John Hay	.... 50
W. E. Fraser	.... 50
Alex Phillips	.... 50
W. F. Linton	.... 50
Isaac Snook	.... 50
H. Tupper	.... 50
L. B. McElhimney	.... 50
J. J. Snook	.... 50

W. H. Beck
J. P. Archibald
Charles Archibald
John Lewis
Miss Letitia Smith
Mrs Sarah Frize
Dr. W. S. Muir
Rev J. A. Kaulback
S. E. Gourley
Mrs James Hamilton
James D. Ross
A. Friend
W. G. Yuill
H. T. Lawrence
E. E. McNutt
L. G. Crowe
Mrs W. E. Logan
Miss Louisa Smith
Jacobas
Robert Rennie
Wm McCully
H. Blair
W. T. Archibald
George F. Arch

Upper Dy

E. G. Morton

Vale C

Thomas Turnbull
Robert Murray
J. J. Baine
Mrs Wm Grant
Hugh McKay

Valley

John C. Arch
Alex Archibald
Charles Chris
David Fox
Mrs A. J. John

W

Hon Alex M
I. M. McLean
Mrs James T
John W. Mor
Rev H. B. M
Capt F. K. G
Rev Saml Bo
Miss Mary M
Mrs John M
Robert Stev
Miss Mary M
T. G. Wilbur
B. S. Seama
R. M. Fulto

alms	...\$ 50
Mrs Jas Jardine	... 50
chureman	... 50
is Burns	... 50
ogers	... 50
bt Auld	... 40
tosh	... 40
... ..	... 20
bing	... 25
bing	... 25
lle Walker	... 25
on Campbell	... 25
emis C. Burns	... 20
... ..	... 15
<hr/>	
	\$7 25

French River.

Barret	...\$ 50
Drew McLeod	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$0 75

Dallas Point.

erick McKinnon	...\$ 50
nk Mutch	... 50
weedy	... 50
jamin Mutch	... 50
er McLeod	... 50
k McKinnon	... 40
wart Mutch	... 25
McKinnon	... 14
ntolo	... 10
McKinnon	... 5
<hr/>	
	\$5 44

Georgetown.

erson	...\$1
onald	... 1
ngswell	... 1
H. Spencer	... 1
N. Cogswell	... 1
on	... 50
McLean	... 50
McLarren	... 50
ggart	... 50
ewart	... 50
okings	... 50
Johnson	... 20
<hr/>	
	\$12 20

Graham Point.

mpbell	...\$ 50
mpbell	... 50
en Cairns	... 25
A. McKay	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$1 50

Hazel Grove.

L. Gordon	...\$ 25
-----------	----------

Hamilton.

James Ramsay	...\$1
Mrs Robert Crozier	... 75
Mrs Wm H. Simpson	... 70
H. A. Stewart	... 50
Wm Sinclair	... 50
John A. Sinclair	... 50
Neil D. Ramsay	... 50
Malcolm Ramsay	... 50
Alex McKelvie	... 40
Mrs Hudson	... 20
Barbara Stewart	... 25
John Sinclair	... 25
Edmond Phillips	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$6 40

Hope River.

John Simpson	...\$1
--------------	--------

Hopeton.

William Mutch	...\$ 20
---------------	----------

Kensington.

Gordon Glover	...\$1
Mrs Catherine Johnson	... 50
Wm S. Hogg	... 50
Douglas Stewart	... 50
Dr Darrach	... 50
Arthur Gay	... 50
Mark Pound	... 25
Mrs Robert Humphrey	... 25
Miss Jane Hogg	... 25
Thos J. Walker	... 25
Wm Walker	... 25
Mrs G. Sims	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$5 00

Kinross.

Donald McLeod	... 50
Donald Ross	... 50
Cephas B. Ross	... 50
John McLeod	... 25
D. Ross	... 25
John Murehison	... 25
Peter Music	... 25
Wm McLeod	... 25
John McPherson	... 25
Mrs H. McLeod	... 25
D. J. McLeod	... 25
Alexander McLeod	... 25
Donald Martin	... 25
A Friend	... 12
<hr/>	
	\$4 07

Long River.

Mrs Wm A. Mason	...\$1
John Barret	... 1
Mrs Wm W. Baugherty	... 25
John Duglarty	... 25

Mrs Elizabeth Johnson	... 25
Miss Janie Gillespie	... 25
John Johnston	... 25
James Gillespie	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$3 50

Lower Freetown.

George Burns	...\$3
--------------	--------

Lower Montague.

B. Aitkin	...\$1
George B. Aitkin	... 1
Wm Thompson	... 1
Geo A. Poole	... 50
Geo W. Aitkin	... 25
Benjamin Davy	... 25
Samuel B. Aitkin	... 25
Mrs David Stewart	... 25
A Friend	... 25
Winnie Poole	... 25
Mrs James E. Poole	... 25
Mrs William Poole	... 25
Mrs W. H. Buchanan	... 25
Mrs George Phillips	... 25
Mrs Thomas Phillips	... 25
P. Ross	... 25
Mrs John Poole	... 25
Mrs Janet McFarlane	... 25
Thos Ansear	... 25
Mrs Mary Dauncy	... 20
Polly Westaway	... 10
Katie Westaway	... 10
<hr/>	
	\$7 05

Maddock.

Mrs A. P. Hooper	...\$ 50
------------------	----------

Malpeque.

George Beardo	...\$1
George Sinclair	... 1
Rev Geo McMillan	... 1
Dr Keir	...\$1
James	... 50
Wm Crozier	... 50
H. S. McDonald	... 50
Mrs Geo Ramsay	... 50
Wm J. Simpson	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$5 25

Marahfield.

Rev A. W. Mahon	...\$1
Isaac Jay	... 1
William Miller	... 1
Mrs D. Ferguson	... 1
A. McKeith	... 1
Mrs Isaac Crosby	... 50
Mrs Alexander Stewart	... 50
Janie M. Robertson	... 50
William Gibson	... 50
Alexander Robertson	... 50
Margaret L. McKeith	... 50
<hr/>	
	\$16 00

Mentrose.

Samuel Fridham	...\$ 25
Cash	... 15
<hr/>	
	\$0 40

William J. Scott	...\$ 50
R. Munn	... 35
Mrs W. Rogers	... 25
Mrs James McFarlane	... 25
Mrs I. Jay	... 25
John Gibson	... 25
Allan Stewart	... 25
Alexander McLauchlan	... 25
Ang is Darrach	... 25
Hector Darrach	... 25
Isabella Robertson	... 25
Thomas Stitson	... 25
Janie Small	... 25
Mrs P. McN. Robertson	... 25
Elvis Margaret Robertson	... 25
Edw C. H. McDonald	... 25
John Stewart	... 22
Harry G. Miller	... 15
<hr/>	
	\$12 72

Middleton.

Major Craig	...\$ 50
Miss Crawford	... 50
John Craig	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$1 25

Mall River.

Wm Heywood	...\$1
Bennet Heywood	... 1
Calvin Heywood	... 50
<hr/>	
	\$2 50

Montague Bridge.

Robt Cameron	...\$1
Donald Forbes	... 1
Mrs Emery	... 1
J. M. Aitkin	... 1
Lauchlin McLean	... 1
Mannah Rowe	... 1
R. W. Sprague	... 1
D. A. Martin	... 1
Robert Griffith	... 1
John McLean	... 1
J. E. Robertson, M. D.	... 1
Norman McLeod	... 1
Rev O. B. Emery	... 1
J. D. Bell	... 50
Malcolm Lamont	... 50
Mrs D. Johnson	... 50
Mrs M. J. Sutherland	... 50
J. T. Robison	... 50
Joseph Campbell	... 25
Wm McLeod	... 25
<hr/>	
	\$16 00

Seal River.

W. Irving	....\$ 25
W. Irving	.... 25
n Docherty	.... 25
n McRae	.... 25

	\$1 00

Souris.

ight	....\$2
erna	.... 2
w McLean & Co.	.... 2
Bros	.... 1
lla Nicholson	.... 1
ie	.... 75
cPhee	.... 60
D. Morrow	.... 50
lletts	.... 50
McPhee	.... 50
te	.... 25
offin	.... 20

	\$11 80

Southport.

lliam Bluett	....\$ 50
enry Boyver	.... 50
ewart	.... 50
ennedy	.... 50
McRae	.... 50
W. Stewart	.... 50
Walker	.... 25
Guard	.... 25
Stewart	.... 25
eer	.... 25
erke	.... 25
ewart	.... 25
lanm	.... 25
Jones	.... 25

	\$5 00

Springfield.

ter Sinclair\$1
--------------	---------

Stanley.

rown & Co	....\$1
Henderson	.... 1
ell	.... 1
cLeod	.... 1
oss	.... 1
er Hodgson	.... 50
Simpson	.... 50
Donald	.... 50
McDay	.... 50
Thompson	.... 50
essie McKay	.... 50
cLeod	.... 50
McLeod	.... 50
Bell	.... 50
urehison	.... 50
Anderson	.... 45
ary McLeod	.... 40
Kay	.... 40
Anderson	.... 35

James Anderson	....\$ 35
Robert McKay	.... 30
Wm Peckering	.... 35
Duncan Ross	.... 25
Miss Bell McDonald	.... 25
Boice McGee	.... 25
Mrs D. McKay	.... 25
James Warren	.... 25
Miss Grace McKay	.... 25

	\$14 15

Suffolk.

Isaac Thompson\$2
----------------	---------

Summerside.

H. S.	....\$5
Hon W G. Strong	.... 2
D. Stewart	.... 2
Wm McMurdo	.... 2
Theo J. Clark	.... 2
Wm Stewart	.... 2
Gilman M. Reid	.... 2
E. H. Wright	.... 2
Adam Fife	.... 2
Rev B. Chappelle	.... 1
David Schureman	.... 1
C. W. Strong	.... 1
W. T. Burrows	.... 1
Nelson Alward	.... 1
Wm J. Muttart	.... 1
S. M. Hicks	.... 1
D. J. McMurdo	.... 1
Wm Reid	.... 1
F. W. Strong	.... 1
Jacob Schureman	.... 1
D. Gordon	.... 1
Fred Parsons	.... 1
Arch McKelvie	.... 1
D. G. McKay	.... 1
Nell McLeod	.... 1
Thos W. Henderson	.... 1
R. McC. Stavert	.... 1
Geo Carruthers, M. D.	.... 1

Tyne Valley.

Edmond Ramsay\$ 50
---------------	-----------

Union Road (Lot 51).

Thos Mellish	.... 50
Angus McPherson	.... 35
John Ross	.... 25
Daniel Ross	.... 25
Mrs James Mellish	.... 25
Albert Mellish	.... 25
Robert L. Mellish	.... 20
John H. Mellish	.... 20
Daniel McGregor, Jr	.... 10
A Friend	.... 10

	\$2 00

Union Road (Lot 35).

Hon Kenneth Henderson.\$ 50
------------------------	-----------

Valleyfield.

Hon A. Martin\$ 45
---------------	-----------

Vernon River.

Mrs Geo Forbes\$1
----------------	---------

Vernon River Bridge.

David Irving	....\$1
Mrs David Irving	.... 1
John McLeod	.... 1
Mrs Wm Fraser	.... 50
Mrs Thomas Furness	.... 50
Mrs John McLeod	.... 30
Capt A. Finlayson	.... 25
Thomas Furness, Jr	.... 25

	\$4 80

Victoria Cross.

Murdoch Docherty	....\$ 35
John McQueen	.... 25
John Beaton	.... 20
John Gillis	.... 10

	\$0 90

Wilmot Valley.

Archd McMurdo	....\$1
John McMurdo	.... 1
Mrs Edward McMurdo	.... 1
George Easton	.... 25
Jabez Pridham	.... 25
Mrs David Walker	.... 25
Cash	.... 10

	\$3 85

West Cape (Lot 7).

Mrs F. Stewart\$1
----------------	---------

UNITED STATES.

Boston.

Mrs Margaret Alexander	....\$2
Katie McC Calder	.... 2
Belle McKenzie	.... 2
Rachel McPhail	.... 2
Rachel McLean	.... 1
Mary O'Donnell	.... 1
Mary McLean	.... 1
Alex McLean	.... 1
Effie McKinnon	.... 1
Murdoch McDonald	.... 1
Mrs Thomas Elder	.... 1
Jane McKinnon	.... 1
Jessie McKinnon	.... 1
John McLeod	.... 1
Mary McLean	.... 1
Sarah B. McDonald	.... 1
Murdoch McIver	.... 1
Frank McKinnon	.... 1
Dan McLeod	.... 1
Lena McLane	.... 1

Katy Morrison	....\$1
Rachel McPhee	.... 1
Sarah McPhee	.... 1
Mary McPhail	.... 1
Maggie McPhail	.... 1
Maggie McPhee	.... 1
Hugh McKinnon	.... 1
Mary Nicholson	.... 1
Florry McLean	.... 1
Peter McLean	.... 1
John McIntosh	.... 1
Christy Ferguson	.... 1
Mrs Donald McFarlane	.... 1
James McFarlane	.... 1
Mary Cameron	.... 1
Jessie Cameron	.... 1
Sophia McDonald	.... 1
Mrs J. Williams	.... 1
Maggie McDonald	.... 1
Addie McNeil	.... 1
Mary J. McDonald	.... 1
John Cameron	.... 1

J. Morrison	....\$1
John Buchanan	.... 1
James A. Morrison	.... 1
Angus McIver	.... 1
John Cumming	.... 1
Annie Logan	.... 1
Katy McDonald	.... 1
D. D. Morrison	.... 1
Duncan McIver	.... 1
Rory Shaw	.... 1
Jessie McPhail	.... 1
Janet McInnes	.... 1
Archie McKenzie	.... 1
John McDonald	.... 1
Katy Lyndes	.... 1
Annie Queen	.... 1
Mrs Flora Matheson	.... 1
Kenneth Matheson	.... 1
Katie M. MacLeod	.... 1
Henrietta MacLeod	.... 1
Katy McKinnon	.... 1
A Friend	.... 1

XXX.

A. Mason	....\$1	Maggie Morrison	....\$ 50	Mary McAuley	....\$ 50
Katie McIntosh	.... 1	Effie McDonald	.... 50	Maggie McDonald	.... 50
Norman McLeod	.... 1	Mrs Albert Duncan	.... 50	Johanna Johnson	.... 50
Hattie Sutherland	.... 1	Mary McDonald	.... 50	Mrs McDonald	.... 50
Ann McLeod	.... 1	Annie McDonald	.... 50	Maggie McKinnon	.... 50
Mary Jane Ross	.... 1	Katie Morrison	.... 50	C. A. Kennedy	.... 50
Ellen McLeod	.... 1	Katie Carey	.... 50	John McDonald	.... 50
Cassie E. Campbell	.... 1	A. McDonald	.... 50	Mary McInnis	.... 50
Esther A. Campbell	.... 1	Annie Campbell	.... 50	Maggie Livingston	.... 50
Donald McDonald	.... 1	Mrs Chas Wagner	.... 50	Katie Livingston	.... 50
Wm McLean	.... 1	Mrs Dan Cameron	.... 50	Julia Smith	.... 50
Jessie McDonald	.... 1	Lizzie Flemming	.... 50	Mary E. Murgam	.... 25
Peter McLean	.... 1	Katie McKenzie	.... 50	Maggie Flemming	.... 25
M. S. Munro	.... 1	Christina McAskill	.... 50	Mary McLeod	.... 25
E. J. Stronach, M. D.	.... 1	Florry McLeod	.... 50	Annie McLeod	.... 25
Annie McLean	.... 1	Lena Ferguson	.... 50	Christy Morrison	.... 25
Barbara Murray	.... 1	Mary Ferguson	.... 50	Annie McLeod	.... 25
Angus McAskill	.... 75	Mrs Wm McLean	.... 50	Mr K. McKenzie	.... 25
James E. Burns	.... 50	Annie McYackerd	.... 50		
Effie McDonald	.... 50	Mary A. McKackin	.... 50		
Mary McDonald	.... 50	Eunice McKackin	.... 50		
					\$105 50

SUMMARY OF DONATIONS FOR 1886.
FOR COLPORTAGE.

Nova Scotia	.....	\$2252 08
Cape Breton	.....	344 34
Great Britain	.....	341 73
New Brunswick	.....	1109 18
Newfoundland	.....	415 47
P. E. Island	.....	486 84
United States	.....	105 50
		\$5055 14
Capital Fund	.....	\$ 110 00
Building Fund	.....	101 00
Total	.....	\$5266 14

In addition to the names previously reported, the following have paid twenty dollars or upwards, and are constituted life members:

Glasgow, Scotland.—J. C. WHITE, No. 7 George Street; ARTHUR & Co. (Lmtd.); J. B. MINLIES; WM. JAMES DAVIDSON.

Paisley.—Messrs. J. & P. COATES.

Halifax, N. S.—Mrs. MURDOCH.

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.

Bequests may be general, and left to the discretion of the Committee to be disposed of as they may consider best; or special, to be applied to any one of the following schemes:—Colportage—Gratuitous distribution among the destitute,—the Publication Fund or Capital,—or for providing a Building for the Society.

PR

BOOK

AND

PAMPHL

PRINTING

On sh

Large For

Mod

ESTIM

NOVA

McAuley	.....\$ 50
McDonald	..... 50
Johnston	..... 50
McDonald	..... 50
McKinnon	..... 50
Kennedy	..... 50
McDonald	..... 50
McInnis	..... 50
Livingston	..... 50
Livingston	..... 50
Smith	..... 50
E. Murgam	..... 25
Flemming	..... 25
McLeod	..... 25
McLeod	..... 25
Morrison	..... 25
McLeod	..... 25
McKenzie	..... 25

\$105 50

1886.

.....	\$2252 08
.....	344 34
.....	841 73
.....	1109 13
.....	415 47
.....	456 94
.....	105 50
.....	\$5055 14
.....	\$ 110 00
.....	101 00
.....	\$5206 14

paid twenty dollars

ARTHUR & Co. (Ltd.);

SOCIETY.

and Tract Society,"
 of
 for the time being,
 of the Committee to
 be applied to any
 distribution among
 for providing a

PRINTING!

UNEQUALLED FACILITIES

FOR THE EXECUTION OF

FIRST-CLASS

BOOK

AND

PAMPHLET

PRINTING,



JOB

Printing,

On short notice and at reasonable prices.

Large Fonts of New Type!

Modern Fast Steam Presses!

Careful and Experienced Workmen!

ESTIMATES FURNISHED ON APPLICATION.

NOVA SCOTIA PRINTING COMPANY,

Corner Granville and Sackville Streets,

HALIFAX.

PUTTNER'S EMULSION
—OF—
COD LIVER OIL, &c.

Is recommended by many of the Physicians of the Dominion of Canada and the United States, by almost every Druggist, and by many Clergymen, Lawyers, Teachers, and persons in every calling and class of life, all testifying to benefits received from the use of this very particular medicine.

PUTTNER'S EMULSION

is not a secret medicine, but is composed of **Cod Liver Oil**, assisted in its action by **Pancreatine** and the **Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda**, combined in such a manner as to be acceptable to the stomach and easily digested.

The curative effects of **Cod Liver Oil** have been so thoroughly established that no one can be found to dispute

ITS HEALING PROPERTIES

—IN CASES OF—

Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, Rickets, Anæmia, Scrofulous and Wasting Diseases, Mental and Nervous Prostration and all Diseases from Impoverished Blood and a Weak State of the Body.

The greatest drawback to **Cod Liver Oil** in its pure state is its very disagreeable taste; this has been entirely overcome in the composition of **Puttner's Emulsion**, which can be taken and retained by the most delicate stomach.

PUTTNER'S EMULSION

is also more effective than the pure oil, the globules of oil being so minutely divided, and being very materially assisted in its action by the addition of **Pancreatine** and **Hypophosphites**.

The Puttner Emulsion Company of Halifax,

have a large number of testimonials from persons who have used **Puttner's Emulsion**, and they have printed a few in pamphlet form, together with an essay on the several medicines used in its combination. This will be sent free, to any person who will send for it.

PUTTNER'S EMULSION

Is sold by all Druggists and General Dealers.

PUTTNER EMULSION CO'Y, HALIFAX.

TRADE

R

WHOLE

400 H

Cheap, Medium, a

100

DIAMOND

ELECTRIC and
Baking Soda, F

HAIR

B.

33

Wholes

CAN

STAPLE

Clothi

Goods s

Orders

TRADERS ATTENTION!

R. J. SWEET,
WHOLESALE DEALER,

OFFERS AT LOW PRICES

400 Half-chests "Selected" TEAS,

Cheap, Medium, and higher grades at corresponding prices.

100 Barrels Refined SUGARS,

Granulated, White Extra, and Yellow Extra C's.

— ALSO —

DIAMOND N & DIAMOND P MOLASSES,

ELECTRIC and Laundry SOAPS. Valencia, Elme and London L. Raisins.
Baking Soda, Rice, Beans, Oatmeal, Pickles, Currants, Starch, Codfish. &c.

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.

B. A. SMITH,

33 to 37 GEORGE STREET, HALIFAX,

Wholesale Dry Goods Importer,

CANADIAN, AMERICAN AND BRITISH

STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS,

HATS AND CAPS,

Clothing, Fancy Soaps, Millinery, &c.

☞ Goods sold at lowest quotations to prompt paying customers.

☞ Orders by post or through our travellers carefully attended to.

ALLAN LINE

OF STEAMERS

CARRYING THE CANADIAN MAILS,

Sail during the

SUMMER SEASON

FROM

QUEBEC TO LIVERPOOL,

AND IN THE

WINTER SEASON,

FROM

HALIFAX, N. S. TO LIVERPOOL.

ALSO,

Regular Fortnightly Sailings from Halifax *via* St. John's,
Nfld., during Summer.

For Freight or Passage apply to

H. & A. ALLAN,
MONTREAL.

ALLANS, RAE & CO.,
QUEBEC.

S. CUNARD & CO., Agents,
HALIFAX.