

NARRATIVE AND REPORT

OF A

Temperance and Educational Mission

On the Eastern Shores of Nova-Scotia,

AND OF OTHER MATTERS

CONNECTED WITH THE HALIFAX TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

Circumstances having made it incumbent on the officers of the Halifax Temperance Society, to appeal to their fellow citizens and fellow countrymen, generally, concerning objects in which all are deeply interested,—they deem it wise to lay a brief report of their proceedings and an exposition of their projects, before the public. Those who speak by means of this address, happen to be placed prominently in the work which they advocate,—but the cause is that of every man, woman, and child, in the country;—the Officers and Committee are the agents of the public, and on the sympathies and assistance of that public they have the strongest claims, if they can show that their conduct has been faithful, and that their project is not only praiseworthy, but that its furtherance is essential for the general prosperity.

The influences which are opposed, in these efforts, are those of Intemperance and Ignorance;—it might be considered superfluous, in any age of the world, to advance reasons for attacks on these barriers against man's efficiency and prosperity,—it would seem particularly so in the present day, when moral questions are so generally and justly appreciated. But although all may admit that Temperance and Education are great beneficial objects, much lamentable apathy, as regards active co-operation, may exist;—cold assent is not enough; living, energetic conviction, urging to the fruits of hearty sympathy, is requisite,