

not forget that success necessitates an enlargement of means for a yet higher course of instruction; for education in any country will always seek a higher or lower range. If associated with the religious affections and prayers of the Church of Christ, the tendency will be upward; dis severed from the religious element, the moral range will be downward. The work of education in this and the neighbouring Province is now employing a large number of young men, educated at Horton, and the demand will yet for a long time exceed the supply.

The Committee would direct attention especially to the Female Department of the Horton Institution. For a number of years the idea of an institution for young ladies was before this Society, but the way for the inauguration of this scheme, did not present itself until two and a half years since, when, as a mere experiment, a House was rented, Teachers obtained, and the attempt made to supply female education of a high character and within reach of a larger class of society.

Your Committee had fears and hopes,—the former have not been realized, the latter have.

The Female Seminary in Horton is no longer an experiment, but a successful and necessary part of our great educational scheme. The building now occupied has been purchased at a reasonable rate, and furnished. It, however, was found insufficient to accommodate those seeking the benefits of the Seminary, and last winter, at a limited expense, some apartments additional were provided, so that the premises will now accommodate forty.

A Hall adjacent is rented for a day-school, which school is no insignificant part of the entire institution, and has been under the instruction of Miss Anna Shaw. The Principal of the Seminary, Miss Townsend, has proved herself in every way suited to her responsible station. The Committee are persuaded that their choice of a Principal was most happy and advantageous, and feel that they can assure the community at large, that in placing young ladies under the care of Miss Townsend, every reasonable expectation will be realised. At the examination during the year the classes manifested an acquaintance with the different branches, creditable alike to teacher and pupil. Miss Townsend will resume her duties in August.

Your Committee must keep before the mind of the Denomi-