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REPORT.

THE Twenty-seventh Report of the Executive Committee presents to the Society an account of the expenditure during the year 1864, together with such other information as may be interesting to its members. The Executive Committee have endeavoured to make good use of the funds at their disposal for carrying out the recognized objects of the Society. They regret to say that, though much interest is shewn in the Society, yet its general income does not increase in proportion to the demands upon it and the work to be done. In fact the income during 1864 for general purposes is less than in either 1862 or 1863.

The yearly decrease in the grant from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, the lapse of salaries paid by Government, and the increasing wants of our Church throw a responsibility upon this Society which it can in no way meet unless greater exertion be made to add to its members and enlarge its income.

The Committee acknowledge with gratitude the support which Almighty God has hitherto given to our efforts, and they retain unshaken faith in his care for his Church, but they feel no less forcibly that a responsibility rests upon every member of the Church to sustain that Society which seems to be the appointed means for maintaining the Church of Nova Scotia.

The Committee hope that means may be adopted for bringing this subject more definitely home to the minds of Churchmen, and setting forth the Society's claims and their duty.

The Committee have much satisfaction in noting that several missions which were vacant when the last Report was issued, are now supplied with Clergymen, while one new field of labor has been undertaken with aid from the D. C. S.

Every member of the Society will unite with the Committee in mourning the loss of our first Vice-President, the late venerable Archdeacon of Nova Scotia. He was present at the formation of