

REPORT.

A very minute and particular statement of the affairs of your Society having been published agreeably to your direction at the last Anniversary, the labour of your Committee in completing a view of their proceedings to the present time is considerably lightened. They have the satisfaction to announce the continued prosperity of the rising Institution at Horton. This Seminary enjoys a very respectable share of public patronage. Since the commencement of the current Academical year the number of scholars has gradually increased, notwithstanding the recent revival of the neighbouring Academy at Windsor, and the diminution of the scale of its expenses, to a level which approaches much nearer that at Horton than formerly; and notwithstanding, also, some most ungenerous and dishonest attempts to slander the reputation of Horton Academy in the public prints. There are now at the Boarding House twenty six Boarders, with nearly the same number residing or boarding in the neighbourhood, who attend the Academy. In proof of the high and just estimation in which the Institution is held, your Committee are happy to refer to the testimony given by gentlemen of all parties in the House of Assembly, during its last Session; to the unanimous assent of his Majesty's Council to the annual vote of £300; and to the prompt and generous subscription, towards the liquidation of the debt, made by many of the most respectable gentlemen in Halifax, headed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with a munificent donation of £20, as also by the Chief Justice, and other officers of Government in proportion.

At your last Anniversary the debt then subsisting against the Academy, (not deducting the grant of £300 for 1836, which was reserved to meet current expenses,) amounted

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