

have had much satisfaction in sanctioning the use of a part of the Society's apparatus by Dr. Racey, in illustrating his lecture upon Air, before the Quebec Library Association, and they only regret that so few occasions of the same kind have offered for turning the valuable apparatus of the Society to useful account.

The Council are here naturally led to advert to the only external circumstances in the proceedings and relations of the Society, to which they think it necessary to allude ;—the formation and hitherto successful operation of the Quebec Library Association.

As a Society, having for our object the diffusion of knowledge, and of a taste for Literature and Science, we cannot but hail with satisfaction, the establishment and prosperity of Institutions pursuing the same designs,—and although the Association in question has not as yet met the advances of this Society for a mutual interchange of privileges and advantages, with that uncalculating liberality which might perhaps tend equally to the benefit of both Institutions, we on our part, must have pleasure in noticing the success which has attended the outset of the Quebec Library Association, more especially in establishing a system of lectures which appears to have awakened an interest in matters connected with Science and Literature, which has not heretofore been exhibited in this community, and cannot have other than beneficial results.

It only remains for your Executive Body, in rendering up to you the trust they have held during the past year, to solicit your favorable acceptance of their imperfect