REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

OF THE

LITERARY & HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF QUEBEC.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING THE 11TH JANUARY,

1843.

AT the recurrence of the period fixed by the Charter of the Literary and Historical Society, for the Election of its Officers, for the coming year, the Council to whom the administration of its affairs has been committed for the last twelve months, have to discharge their final duty of rendering an account of those affairs during that period.

In acquitting themselves of the task, the Council will first notice the internal proceedings, resources and condition of the Society, and then advert briefly to external circumstances affecting its prospects, or touching its interests.

It has been usual, for some years past, in accordance with the practice of some other Societies, to record in the annual reports the loss of any of our members who have been separated from us by death; in most cases a brief and passing notice of the event might suffice; but some larger tribute of respect and regret would appear to be due to the memory of our late friend and fellow labourer, Mr. V. Daintry, in whose premature death in September last, we have to deplore the loss of a most valuable member, devoted to the pursuit of science, and zealous for the interest of the Society.