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REPORT.

THE Executive Committee, in their Report for the year 1873, are thankful to say that by the completion of the "Church Endowment Fund" the Society has been relieved from the necessity of meeting the deficiency in the block sum of S. P. G.; and has therefore been enabled to direct its efforts toward increasing the salaries of the missionaries who are in part dependant upon the D. C. S. for suport.

The Committee are of opinion that, although some advance has been made, yet the general rate of the incomes of the clergy must be still further increased if we hope to fill up the vacancies now existing in several missions in the Diocese, and also retain the services of some of those at present ministering in this portion of the Lord's vineyard.

The Committee are aware that the greater temporal advantages which are in some cases offered by other Dioceses are mainly due to the activity and self-denial of the Laity. In order to bring these forces more into operation among ourselves the "Quebec Scheme" has been in part adopted. By this means the Society hopes to be brought into more direct contact with the Laity in the missions, and also to spare the missionary from the necessity of collecting in person his own salary from those among whom he should appear only as the minister of spiritual gifts.

The Committee are glad to state that so far the change has been well received. The clergy are thankful to be relieved from a disagreeable work, and their people have readily agreed to the conditions and regulations which the Society has proposed.

It is, however, necessary for every member of the Society to bear in mind that the increased salaries to the clergy, and the altered conditions of payments cannot be continued unless the subscriptions to the D. C. S. be larger than heretofore. The Committee hope that no mission will suppose that its duty to the