

bring forth, under the genial influence of feelings thus happily awakened, a richer and a brighter harvest of immortal fruit. Thus, like the *Mercy* so beautifully delineated by the Poet, religious instruction may be said to be "twice blessed: it blesseth him that *gives*, and him that *takes*."

The Committee must not omit to mention, that the attendance at the Sunday School is rapidly increasing; the total number now on the list, including the children of the Military Schools, who regularly attend there on the Sabbath, amounting to between 130 and 140 Boys, and 90 and 100 Girls. The Weekly School is nearly stationary in point of numbers, and contains at present—Boys 132, Girls 96. No alteration has been made in the regulations, except that, with a view to excite additional emulation, prizes are now distributed four times in the year, instead of once, as before. Such Books as may be required for this purpose, as well as all the Books used in the School, are supplied *gratuitously* from the Repository.

The expenditure from the Clothing Fund, during the past year, amounts to £4 19 9, for the Boys' School, and £23 4 6, for the Girls'. The respective Treasurers take a great deal of trouble, and merit the thanks of the Committee for their active and watchful zeal in every thing connected with the Institution.

An application was made to the Provincial Legislature during the last Session, by the Committee of Management of the National School, under the sanction of his Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, for aid from the public funds, to extricate them from the embarrassments in

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