

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL
OF THE
LITERARY AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
OF
QUEBEC,
AT THE GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING,
11th JANUARY, 1854.

The Council in resigning their trust have the honor of laying before the Society the usual Annual Report, reviewing the principal subjects which have more immediately marked the proceedings and operations of the Society during the year just expired.

Amongst the more prominent of these, the Council beg leave to advert to the efforts lately made towards obtaining a permanent residence, suitable to the increasing exigencies of the Society: The want of such a building has never at any previous period been so severely felt; for, on account of the increase of accommodation required by the Legislature, the three apartments hitherto occupied by the Society are now reduced to two rooms—in one of which the Library and Museum are crowded together.

The other is only temporarily occupied, being very small, and (except during the recess of Parliament) most inconvenient of access. On some occasions indeed, the Society has been under the necessity of holding its meetings at some public Hotel in this City. It is therefore a matter of painful regret to know that after 28 years' existence, the Society has not yet been enabled to procure a suitable edifice for the prosecution of its labours.