

more contiguous to the Line ; and, being desirous of avoiding interference in any field of labour of our Agents, would gladly avail themselves of the countenance and sanction of this Society. Accordingly W. E. Boardman, Esq., General Secretary of the American Sunday School Union, and H. Hoyt, Esq., the Agent in Boston, visited Montreal in the month of July. With these gentlemen the Committee, in pursuance of a notice to the Members, had an interesting conference of two hours' duration. This conference they believe to have been mutually refreshing and encouraging, and suggestive of much that might be turned to useful account on both sides of the Line. It was eventually agreed to second the praiseworthy exertions of the American Union by furnishing their Commissioners with credentials for the various sections of country allocated to them. About the same time the services of three competent Agents were procured for other districts.

Having premised thus much, the Committee, anxious to omit less important though interesting details, which will be found in the extended Report, will now proceed to state, as briefly as possible the results which have been most satisfactorily drawn up by the General Secretary of the American Union and our Agents. The letter is dated Philadelphia, Dec. 28, 1853, and addressed to Mr. John C. Becket, Recording Secretary :—

DEAR SIR,—Your letter of Nov. 1st, to H. Hoyt, Esq., of Boston, is before me.

Mr. Hoyt, and also Mr. Porter, our Corresponding Secretary, have written you, no doubt, of our gratification with the reception and full hearing accorded to Rev. Mr. Stone, our representative to you.

My present object is simply to answer your request for statistics of the work of our Mission in Canada,