

R E P O R T .

THE Select Committee beg leave to present the following Report of their transactions, and of the operations of the Society during the past year: —

In the first place, and as embracing the most extensive objects proposed by the Society, we refer to our Missions in the West. At the Annual Meeting of the Society, in May last, it having been voted, "That a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars be appropriated, at the discretion of the Select Committee, in support of Missions in the West," the Committee embraced the earliest opportunity to consider of the places and classes of persons, most entitled to the aid of the Society. They found no hesitation in devoting, from this sum, three hundred dollars, in aid of the missionary services of Rev. William G. Eliot and of his fellow-laborer, in St. Louis, and in destitute places in its vicinity, or other portions of Missouri. To the results, then, of this mission, as far as they may be observed or inferred, we will, first, invite your attention.

From a letter recently received from Rev. Mr. Eliot, we select the following extracts: —

"ST. LOUIS, Oct. 1, 1846.

"According to the requisitions of your Society, my Report for the six months, commencing with May last, is due, and I beg leave here to present it.

"In consequence of my imperfect health, the labor has chiefly devolved upon Mr. De Lange; and I take this opportunity of renewing the assurance that it has been well performed, and very acceptably to all whom he has visited in his missionary tours.