

dence obviated the objection of fearful or parsimonious men, who have urged their doubts as to the propriety of Missionary undertakings lest they should become injurious to the support of a domestic Ministry.

It is with extreme regret that your Committee in making up the Account of Receipts for the year now ending has ascertained that there is a large falling off in the receipts. The pressure of the times they are aware has been very extensively felt; but whether the great diminution of subscriptions on some three or four of the Circuits can be justly attributable to that cause they will not presume to say. One observation, however, they may be allowed to make, and which they would respectfully recommend to the serious attention of all who profess to "Love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity:" it is,—that abridging our offering to God's service because the times are trying, is by no means likely to improve them.

The following are the nett receipts from the respective Branch Societies:—*viz.*

HALIFAX - - - -	£113 11 0	WALLACE & RIVER JOHN	£35 1 5
LUNENBURG - - - -	31 14 6	GUYSBOROUGH - - - -	23 4 10
LIVERPOOL - - - -	26 17 1	SYDNEY - - - -	17 8 2
BARRINGTON - - - -	22 13 3	CHARLOTTE TOWN - - - -	56 19 10
YARMOUTH - - - -	14 4 0	BEDEQUE - - - -	21 6 10
HORTON - - - -	34 15 6	Collection at the Anniver- }	
WINDSOR - - - -	28 14 0	sary at Liverpool - }	4 0 0
NEWPORT - - - -	31 0 0		
SHUBEN-ACADIE - - - -	14 6 3	Making a Total of - - -	£547 9 9
PARRSBOROUGH - - - -	71 13 1		

Last year the sum total was £624. 5. 10½. Thus, while extraordinary endeavours were making for the extension of our Missions by our friends in Great Britain, Nova-Scotia was failing. Your committee report with pleasure an increase in the receipts from Barrington, Wallace, and Guysborough, and trust that in the present year all the circuits will equally evince a growing attachment to an object which has long included them in the benefits it confers.

The committee present their respectful and affectionate acknowledgements to a long tried and benevolent friend, James Ratchford of Parrsborough, Esq. for his second donation to the funds of the institution of £20 currency.

In British America, comprising the Nova-Scotia, New Brunswick, Lower Canada, and Newfoundland districts, the Wesleyan Connexion employs fifty-one Missionaries and four Assistant-Missionaries; yet many places remain unsupplied, in consequence of the inadequacy of the funds to support a greater number of Missionaries in this extensive department of the work. However, it would be impossible to ascertain the amount of religious advantages derived by the Colonists in British America from

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