Here there is also a large Sunday-school and Bible. to set apart a day once a quarter for special prayer for

class, attended by old and young.

Mr. Sacr reports that the desire evinced by all to learn to read and write is quite unusual. There has likewise been established in this place, in the month of August last, a day-school under a thoroughly com- and arise and work to redeem the time. petent and trained teacher. She has opened a night- Our opportunities will shortly end; others will school for the accommodation of those who cannot occupy the ground that we should have occupied; attend during the day, and a large number are under doors that are now open will soon be closed for ever instruction here.

Your committee deem it of the greatest importance to have the people who are attached to the missions educated, and they have done all in their power to encourage this work. In this connection it is with much pleasure they refer to the valuable services rendered by the Misses Good. The St. John's Training School had been over three years in operation, and besides the thorough education imparted to a large number of pupils, nine young persons are receiving an education to qualify them to take charge or schools in other parts of the country. In the present state of education in this country, the Congregationalists of the capital would be placed under serious inconvenience but for the gratuitous labours of the ladies who are conducting the training school. The small amount allowed to our denomination would not support a suitable school in St. John's, and our children would be under the necessity of crushing into the other denominational schools.

The Committee would take this opportunity of expressing their high appreciation of the training-school and of the self-denying efforts of the Misses Good in preparing teachers to assist in the mission work of

your Society.

Through the kindness of the Colonial Missionary Society, your committee were able to engage the services of Mr. J. B. Thomson. He had been preparing specially for his work during the past twelve months. His talents, zeal, and piety, the high opinion expressed by his friends and those of the Committee, who have known him intimately and personally, have led the committee to form an exalted opinion of his suitability for mission work in this country. They sent him forth on 1st January last to Fortune Bay, where he will be introduced to the church and people by Mr.

Your Committee have other work for Mr. Saer during the ensuing year which they think will meet with the approval of the Society.

The exertions of the juvenile collectors have resulted in adding considerably to the funds, and the Committee

tender their sincere thanks.

In bringing this report to a close, the Committee would urge upon the friends of missions to the neglected of this, our native or adopted country, the importance of renewed and more earnest exertions during the coming year. Have we done what we could? Is it not possible for all to do more? We should not be satisfied with the work done. There is a large field before us, and it is our duty to enter it in the name of the Lord. They would advise that some scheme be devised to at least double the present income of the Society. Surely this is possible to faith, and earnest effort We can do it if we try.

Above all, the Committee would urge the members of the Society to more earnest prayer. It might be well

the Home Mission work. We have too long stood aloof from the work of the Lord in the neglected parts of this island.

We should, therefore, humble ourselves before God.

Therefore let us come at once to the help of the Lord -to the help of the Lord against the Mighty.

RICHARD NEYLE, Secretary. St. John's, Feb. 14, 1877.

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