

to mention the proposition which had been accepted by the American Unitarian Association, to raise the sum of fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of printing, publishing, and distributing books in the service of Liberal Christianity. The adjourned meeting was held on 1st March last, and the prospect seems fair for the accomplishment of the purpose. From the report in the *New York Christian Inquirer*, we read that George B. Emerson, Esq., of Boston, from the committee appointed at the last meeting for the raising of a general committee, to mature and carry into effect a plan to realize the objects of this meeting, read an able and interesting report on the subject, setting forth the need of this movement, and the good to be accomplished by it. The report embodied valuable statistics of the operations of the American Tract Society, of the Episcopal Sunday-school Union, and of the Methodist Book Concern, showing the large sums of money employed by those establishments, the great number of book agents and colporteurs employed, and the vast numbers of families visited, and of tracts and books distributed by them. The American Tract Society, it was stated, employs *six hundred and forty-two* persons in distributing tracts. One of these societies had distributed *four hundred and eighty-seven thousand* books in one year. The Episcopal Sunday-school Union expends \$31,000 annually in the publication, sale, and distribution of books. The Methodist Book Concern has invested \$600,000 in its various operations. Its annual business is \$25,000. The operations of these societies proved that such a movement, as that contemplated by the American Unitarian Association, can be conducted with success, and rendered permanent and profitable. The report dwelt in a forcible manner upon the duty of the Unitarians, professing to be *liberal*, and holding liberal sentiments, to *do more* for the cause of liberal principles than had hitherto been done.

A pamphlet has reached us relating to this subject, in which we find the names of a large general committee, composed of persons from various parts of the country. On this committee we observe the name of George H. Frothingham, Esq., of Montreal, through whom any Canadian contribution to the fund may be forwarded.