

eville,—

er, Secretaries
and that the
nent, to carry
r:

R E P O R T .

in general.

d, R. Woods.

ph Stinson,—
irman for his

In presenting their Annual Report to the friends and members of the Toronto Missionary Auxiliary, your Committee would feel themselves criminal before God if they did not tender to him their public acknowledgments for the care he has exercised over them during a season of unparalleled danger and distress, and for the grace and mercy which during the past year have rested upon them. They would glorify God in the offering of praise, for whatever success has followed Missionary exertions in various parts of our Lord's vineyard, for whatever union and co-operation may be found among professing Christians in this highly favoured Province, and for the zeal and love manifested towards the Missionary cause in this and in other places.

Connected as we are with the Parent Society in England, it will not be deemed improper on this occasion to give a brief sketch of our Missionary operations in various parts of the world. It has ever been the object of the conductors of the Parent Society to mark the openings of Divine Providence, and to labour in those fields which present themselves as being white unto the harvest. They are aware that an appointment to some of their stations will appear to the eye of scepticism, as bordering on what is chimerical and hopeless; but they have learned it as a Scriptural truth, that faith can "subdue kingdoms and work righteousness;" and in the exercise of this faith, they have boldly entered every door of usefulness which has been opened by Divine Providence before them, and used all the means in their power to abolish the strong hold of ignorance and destroy the habitations of cruelty, and erect in their places the temples of wisdom and the thrones of mercy. While in these various fields of Christian enterprise, the emissaries of infidelity have been unusually industrious to fix and perpetuate the natural unbelief of the human heart, the servants of God have been with equal industry diffusing the principles of everlasting truth; and while attempts have been making to defend and palliate the fatal errors and heartsickening cruelties of systems