

as we are informed that a brother Knight, who in a great measure is qualified for the work, has his mind engaged on the subject, that a Committee be appointed to procure that Brother, and that means be provided to enable him to prosecute the work, and recommend to all our Churches that they take a deeper interest in our domestic Missions than we have hitherto done.

D. CRANDAL, *Chairman.*

EDUCATION SOCIETY.

In presenting their annual report, the Committee are gratified in being able to state that the attendance at the Seminary during the year has been satisfactorily sustained. From the accompanying list of Students and Pupils it will appear that fifty-three had been in attendance either the whole year, or part of the time, of whom thirty-six were present at the annual examination in June.

The friends of the Society will rejoice to learn that two esteemed brethren, Messrs. Emerson and Hughes, Licentiates for the Ministry, have availed themselves of the opportunities afforded by the Institution for prosecuting their studies during the week, and on the Sabbath day have been engaged in preaching the Gospel in the vicinity of Fredericton. If young men of active disposition, who, possessing the essential pre-requisite of piety, are also gifted with a talent for communicating their thoughts, were encouraged to acquire knowledge, and secure for themselves that mental discipline and culture which are requisite for the enforcement of truth and conviction of error, it would not only be a lasting benefit to the rising ministers themselves, but would eminently tend to the edification of the churches, and their consequent establishment in the faith. And where a settled Minister cannot be supported, which ought not to be neglected without the most urgent necessity, the next most eligible method of supplying the deficiency is to secure the service of some pious young man on the Lord's day, and cheerfully allow him to pursue his studies in the interval, and at the same time provide him with the requisite means of defraying the expences that he must of necessity incur. Certainly such an arrangement seems far preferable to the plan of relying upon chance supplies, or allowing the meetings for worship to be almost if not entirely neglected.

The Committee received from the Treasurer of the General Union Society the sum of £20 9s. 1½d. as appears from the cash account; and in accordance with suggestions often made by valuable friends of the cause, they appropriated £5 from the general fund for the purpose of enabling Brother Hughes to continue his studies at the Seminary.

It is expected that the usual legislative grant will be received this year as heretofore, but the accounts have been made up before the warrant has actually been issued, in order that they might be in time to be presented at the Eastern Association. When the cash account is finally settled, it will appear that a reduction of more than £12 has been effected upon the debt of the Society since last year.

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