

by the Revs. Mr. Humphrey and Professor King. Scriptures read and Psalms given out by the Rev. Mr. McGregor.

Your Committee have much pleasure in announcing that the Course of Lectures presently delivering have been equal to any preceding it. The attendance, on account of the weather, has not been so propitious as on former occasions. They would hope that the remainder of the Course will be better attended. And yet, considering the state of the weather, the attendance has been better than could have been expected.

The thanks of the Association are due to all those who have been called upon to occupy the position of Lecturers, many of whom complied, at considerable personal inconvenience, without any farther reward than the consciousness of attempting to do good. And the Committee devoutly pray that those attempts will be fully responded to by those young men for whom those efforts are designed.

The Committee are encouraged to report the interest manifested in your Library as a pleasing indication that your work has not been in vain. Upwards of sixty volumes have been added during the past year, and there could not have been less than fifteen hundred volumes of works of a highly improving character sent to the homes and read at the firesides of the members of this community. And, though its twelve hundred and fifty volumes, many of which are standard works, entitle your collection to rank among the first Libraries of the Province, yet they feel that additions constantly require to be made to enable it to sustain its place among them. For this purpose, your Committee would recommend that something be devised to increase the income towards the Library; or a few books on the shelves of private individuals might, with small sacrifice on the part of their owners, be put in active circulation by being placed in custody of your Executive Committee.— At all events, many of the books of the Library have suffered from constant use, and an effort ought to be made to get them