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HE operations of the Quebec Diocesan Committee of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, during the last twelve months, have been as satisfactory as, under existing circumstances the friends of the Society could reasonably have expected. There is, indeed, still a want of sufficient support, to which circumstance, allusion was made at the last General Meeting of the members of the Institution, and which the Committee would feel themselves wanting in their duty, as charged more particularly with the interests of the Society, did they now withhold the knowledge of the fact, from those who may be called her friends: they therefore will not refrain from again stating it as their opinion, that the "means at their disposal in promoting the great objects of the Society, within this diocese, ought to be much larger than they actualy are." They look particularly, as they have hitherto done, to the members of the Church with which the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge is intimately connected. From all, therefore, who wish well to the interests of that (hurch, the Committee humbly conceive that the Society may claim the exercise of their most zealous endeavours, in the promotion of those great objects which she has in view. Some few persons have associated themselves with us, since the last report, but some also, have either left the province, or have died within that period: and thus the list of Subscribers to the Committee, is nearly, as to numbers, what it was at the t me of the last Annual Meeting. This fact is discouraging. The existence of the institution depends, with but a very few exceptions, upon the bounty of the professed members of the Church of England, and we cannot look for support to other sources than to the benevolence of the public at large. The Committee do not feel disposed to say more upon this subject, at present, but they feel themselves called upon most imperatively, to state these facts, and to solicit the liberal and