

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
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SOCIETY.

GRATITUDE to Almighty God. There is no duty more pleasant to the rightly constituted mind than the acknowledgment of benefits and the expression of gratitude, and it will never fail to look beyond the present and the seen—to Him who is invisible, the Giver of every good and perfect gift; and bless Him for all His mercies. The Committee, therefore, feel that the friends of the Society will heartily unite in thanking our Heavenly Father for the support and blessing which have enabled the Committee to bring the labors of the year to a satisfactory conclusion.

There is, however, one ground for anxious thought. They are not quite able to meet all the demands of the year, in consequence of a decrease in the contributions of the city, and they have to begin a new year in debt; this will necessitate increased economy, when there ought to be liberality, and limit to some extent the number of free schools, which the Committee had contemplated very much increasing, particularly for the benefit of poor emigrants arriving in this city from the mother country.

OBITUARY.—The Committee have sustained a severe loss in the death of their Assistant Secretary, Thos. Evans, Esq.; and they endeavored to express their sense of his worth in the following resolution, which was transmitted to his family by the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, in a letter, of which the following is a copy:—

Resolved,—That the Committee, at this their first meeting after the decease of their Assistant Secretary, Thomas Evans, Esq., desire to record their sense of the zeal and efficiency with which he has for fourteen