

REPORT.

THE HALIFAX DIOCESAN COMMITTEE of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, beg leave to offer to their friends and the public at large, the following account of their proceedings, since the last Report was made.

During a period of nearly twenty years, this Committee have been endeavouring to forward the benevolent views of the Parent Society, in promoting christian knowledge, by distributing the valuable books which are received from their stores, and by the encouragement of national and other schools, and especially by supplying them with books gratuitously or at reduced prices, as their circumstances have required. How far the Committee have succeeded in their important undertaking, their Reports from time to time will show.

This Committee have been so long established, and the routine of their arrangements has been so regular and uniform, that their operations tho' extensive, possess little variety. The sale of Books and Tracts, the transmission of packages to District Committees and individuals, and gratuitous supplies to numerous indigent persons, and especially to those in distant settlements, form the great feature in our present operations. And tho' our Books, by a late regulation of the Parent Society, unavoidably cost more than formerly, yet we are happy in saying that they are not the less sought after, nor less numerously circulated and sold, than at any former period.

We are enabled then to say, and it is with humility, but with heartfelt thankfulness also we say it, that the good cause which it is our object to promote has prosper-