

had been able to secure the services of a teacher so well recommended as Mr. Hicks, and so well qualified in all respects. He himself had made inquiries, when in England, as to the capacity of this gentleman, among persons well qualified to judge, and they corroborated most fully the testimonials the Society had received of him. There was only one expression used respecting him and that was one of regret at his leaving them. He hoped that his labors would prove a benefit to the Diocese at large, and especially to the Members of the Church. He expressed again his hearty concurrence in the objects of the Society, and then called to the Secretary to read the Report.

The Rev. Mr. BOND then read the following Report :—

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COLONIAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL SOCIETY AT MONTREAL.

The Corresponding Committee of the Colonial Church and School Society approach their friends, on this the first Annual Meeting of the Society in the Diocese of Montreal with unmixed pleasure and gratification. They recognise with devout thankfulness, in the rough places made plain, and the crooked places made straight, in the bringing forward of earnest friends—the moving of liberal hearts, and the providing of faithful agents—the power and influence of that gracious Father in whose cause they are engaged and whose honor and glory they desire to keep simply in view.

The Committee have to report the opening of the Model and Training School ; the sending forth of a Lay Missionary within the City of Montreal ; the support of a Clergyman in the Mission of Sabrevois, and the appointment of a Missionary Schoolmaster at Saroba, with other Schoolmasters throughout the Diocese, involving an expenditure on the part of the Parent Committee of £600, sterling, and on the part of your Committee, received from friends in this country, of £650, making together, about £1,370 currency. They feel that this is cause for warm congratulation, and humble and earnest thanksgiving, and whilst they contemplate what has been done during the past year, they cannot but call upon the Society to go forward in faith, to thank God and take courage.