

2d. The DISTRICT COMMITTEES, especially in the neighbouring Province, have increased to so much importance and consequent usefulness, that they have generally deemed it necessary, as was intimated in a former Report, to correspond directly with the Board in London, and receive their Books from thence, instead of obtaining them from the Stores of the Diocesan Committee. Many local circumstances rendered this measure desirable and even necessary, especially in the cases of the Committee at St. John and Fredericton in New-Brunswick, whose importations were very considerable, and whose Books could be obtained as expeditiously, and at the same expense in a direct channel from the Stores of the Parent Society in London, as they could be obtained in Halifax. We trust, however that we are still in union with them in spirit and in object; and cannot but embrace this opportunity, of expressing our sincerest pleasure that, as a Branch of this Stock, they have now grown into a goodly tree; and are gradually extending with exemplary zeal, their operations more widely, and scattering the good seed in a field which may produce a plentiful harvest; and thus abundantly reward them for all their pious exertions, in the conviction and proof that their labours have not been in vain.

The COMMITTEE at SYDNEY in CAPE BRETON, which from the absence of a Clergyman and other discouragements, had declined; has been excited to new exertions at the recommendation of the Bishop, when he visited that Island, whose numerous population has very inadequate means of religious instruction. The exertions of the Committee therefore in that Country, are particularly wanted; and it may be hoped, that a blessing will attend them.

The DISTRICT COMMITTEE at Liverpool in this Province, must here be mentioned with marked attention. It has been lately established under the direction and as-