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Before commencing their 26th Report, the Executive Committee invite all to join with them in sentiments of thanksgiving to Almighty God for the many blessings bestowed upon our Church and country. While other branches of the Church of Christ are suffering the evils of war, and some have to mourn the perversion of appointed guardians of the truth, we are kept in peace and plenty, in unity, integrity, and brotherly love. Let us watch and pray that these blessings may be continued to us, and let us show

by our obedience that our thanks are not mere lip-service.

Whatever success has attended the efforts of this Society for supporting the Church and making known the saving truths of which she is the keeper and exponent, let all honour and praise be ascribed to God Most High. For our part let us be thankful that we are allowed to be the instruments for carrying on the great work of Christ upon earth. Ours is the privilege and ours the responsibility of working with him and for him as sworn soldiers and servants of the Cross. Let us cry with the Royal Psalmist, "Prosper thou the work of our hands!" The regular progress of the Society's operations does not present many incidents of special interest, yet an account of the proceedings of the Executive Committee will show that they have been, to the best of their means, carrying out the objects of the Society with that spirit of Christian charity which it was intended to promote.

The Committee have every confidence in saying that the efforts of this Society are productive of much good to our Church, and they point to the statistical returns from the parishes to show that our funds are neither paid to slothful servants in their Lord's Vine-

yard, nor their labor unattended with practical results.

It appears that the struggle for self-support is already producing more attachment to our Church, and more lively interest in its welfare; and your Committee have good hope that by the time the aid of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel is entirely withdrawn, the Churchmen of Nova Scotia will feel no regret that the support of their Church has been left to their own zeal and

Treasurer.

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