

to the interests of true religion and morality. In the new Settlements, on all sides around us, receiving a portion of that mighty tide of Emigration flowing into these Provinces, we have fields for our exertions ; indeed vast many of these poor and destitute individuals are unavoidably cast afar off from any place of worship, where they might hear the word of God preached ; and perhaps without a copy of the sacred volume, are left to indulge in distress and the solitude of the wilderness, their anxiety to explore those holy pages, to here the exposition of which in their native land, they were constantly invited,—or more deplorable still, perhaps are living in the heart of the forest, and have learned to regard with a degree of apathy and unconcern the possession of those spiritual blessings, of which they have been long deprived, and are now more intent upon obtaining the meat that perisheth, than the bread which endureth unto life eternal. It is the duty of this Society to step forward to the relief of those benighted & destitute individuals, and in instances where your committee have been made acquainted with the spiritual wants of persons residing in such remote situations, assistance has cheerfully been afforded. But, it must be acknowledged that applications of this kind have hitherto been far from numerous, chiefly owing it is supposed to ignorance of the existence of our Society : to obviate which evil, perhaps some more affective measures might be in future adopted. It may be recollected that at the anniversary meeting of the members of the Institution in May, 1830, a resolution was passed to adopt "measures to diffuse information more widely in this community respecting the views and objects of the Society," but the address which in pursuance of the Resolution was drawn up and widely distributed in this community, could not avail those who are removed from the immediate vicinity of Quebec, into whose hands it never came. It may be satisfactory to know that the address in behalf of the Society, and the appeal then made to the public for their support, though not attended by the success which might reasonably have been expected, was yet not made in vain.

A communication was made to the Secretary of the Parent Society in December last, the object of which was respect-

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