

REPORT.

In presenting the Eighth Annual Report for the consideration of this Society, the Board of Missions cannot but contemplate with gratitude to Almighty God, the success that still continues to attend Missionary exertions in Upper Canada. The Missionaries at the several stations have been unremitting in their labours for the spiritual and temporal interests of their respective charges. It will be seen by reference to several of the missions as given below, that increasing exertions are manifested by the Indians in the cultivation of their lands, thereby securing to themselves a much more certain and permanent living than can be ensured by the chase. Almost every advantage attending the success of Missionary labours, will be gained by this disposition of the Indians to become domesticated; and one very particular difficulty will, in a great measure, be overcome, which is the attendance of the children at the schools, they having generally been in the habit of accompanying their parents in their hunting excursions.

Several deaths have taken place among them during the year past; and in almost every instance, evident signs of true conversion and preparation for Eternity have been witnessed by those attending them.

GRAPE ISLAND MISSION.

THE Rev. W. Case, to whom the more especial charge of this mission was committed, communicates as follows:—"The number of members in society is 81. The number of scholars who have attended the two schools is 48. Two of the families mentioned among others in last Report, as having been expelled for intemperance, have been recovered—others, however, who continued to wander, have fallen; so that the number in society remains about the same. The whole community at the island remain faithful. Their fields and gardens on this and neighbouring lands are commendable, and show a happy contrast between their former degraded state and their present improved condition. In company with a friend, I stepped into the dwelling of an Indian named Pigeon, who was once