scattered, and Ministers of the Gospel are few in number.—
Secondly—the Province has no indigenous Literature of any
kind, if we except Newspapers ; and Religious Tracts and
Books cannot be extensively imported or printed without the
associated exertions of the friends of Divine Truth.—And
thirdly—there are many of the Aborigines of the American
Continent in the Canadas, and the adjacent regions : and if
the Government kindly exerts itself in promoting their Educa-
tion and Civilization ; if different Religious Bodies send them
Preachers of the Gospel ; and if our Bible Society expends
part of its Funds in translating the Word of God into one of
their dialects,—then, why should not a Tract Society also
give them, in their own language, some written expositions
and illustrations of that word ?

The Society, whose formation and intended operations are
thus announced, has assumed the name of THE UPPER CANADA
RELIGIOUS TRACT AND BOOK SOCIETY, because, being
founded in the Metropolis it would contemplate, through the
Divine blessing, the formation of affiliated Societies through-
out the Province, or those parts of it at least, which lie contiguous
to York.—We are not ignorant that there is a flourishing
Tract Society in Kingston, Auxiliary to the London Society,
for we have read the eloquent Report of the second year of
its proceedings, and we heartily bid it God speed. And
should it form Auxiliaries to itself in the Lower part of the
Province, we shall entertain no jealousy of its operations.—
The word BOOK, in the name of our Society, may seem a
peculiarity.—It has, however, been assumed into the name, as
it renders it more strictly characteristic of the intended opera-
tions of the Society, though these may not differ from those
of other Tract Societies, since in point of fact all Tract So-
cieties do circulate Books as well as Tracts ; and the issue of