

REPORT.

THE MONTREAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE OF THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE beg leave to submit their SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT to their friends and the public, with many thanks to them for their continued support, and with devout gratitude to that Gracious Being "from whom alone all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed."

The Committee have the grateful duty of announcing, that an improvement has taken place in the state of their finances during the past year.

The generosity of the Provincial Parliament, to which, in their last Report, they so confidently looked forward, has again been experienced in the grant of £200 sterling. Of this sum, however, a great portion will be required to replace monies, which, owing to the failure, during the two preceding years, of the usual grant from the Provincial Legislature, have been diverted from their proper channels to pay the salaries of the Master and Mistress. In consequence of this unavoidable diversion, the debt to the Parent Society has been much increased. In the last Report it was stated, that the sum due to that Society for books, amounted to £70, towards the liquidation of which £50 sterling were transmitted by the Secretary after the last Annual Meeting, thus leaving a balance of £20 sterling still due.