

REPORT, &c.

THE TEMPERANCE SOCIETY of the 24th REGIMENT, having now been established Twelve Months, the Committee feel anxious to render an account of their Stewardship, and in doing so, feel themselves called upon to express, in the strongest manner, their warmest thanks and acknowledgments to Lieutenant-Colonel FLEMING, and those Gentlemen whose bounteous goodness and liberality have enabled the Committee to proceed in this work of philanthropy, far beyond their most sanguine expectations. But before entering into the particulars of the year that has just closed, it may not be uninteresting to the reader to know, in what way and manner this Society had its origin.

In January, 1832, Drunkenness was observed to be very much on the increase, and the commanding Officer was devising various coercive measures for suppressing it; still, it was too visible, that the forbearance of Lieutenant-Col. FLEMING, in not resorting to a more rigorous mode of punishment, was not felt and appreciated in the manner it deserved. At this period it was, that two Serjeants of the Regiment, observing with pain and sorrow that the measures adopted by their indulgent Commanding Officer were slighted, resolved to establish some system of co-operation, and having consulted one or two other serjeants, determined on the formation of a Temperance

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