

Member of the Society, the Rev. Mr. Holmes, of the Quebec Seminary, and as being also, as the Council believe, the first complete work on Geography which has been composed and published in the North American Provinces. The "*Géographie Moderne*" of that gentleman, was presented by him at the last General Meeting, and the Council are authorized, by a Report of the Class of Literature, to bring the work under your notice as one of uncommon merit, fully entitled to the most favourable reception from all classes inhabiting this portion of the Empire; for the instruction of whose youth the book has been expressly written. This work was reviewed on its publication in a critique that appeared in Neilson's Gazette of the 7th April last, from which, liberty is taken to make the following extract:—

"A good system of Geography should present the reader with a complete and correct view of the state of the globe, as far as it is known, and of all its political societies and divisions, at the time when it is drawn up. To fulfil this great object no pains have been spared by the author of the work before us. The minute details that are given respecting the present state of population, of trade, of government, and of recent discoveries, are ample proofs of the diligence and research that have been employed in the compilation.

We sincerely congratulate the Province on the publication of such a work, and hope it may prove a prelude to many others which may serve to advance the cause of education, and general intelligence throughout the country. Every man who places a single step in the ladder which facilitates the spread of information, promotes the welfare of his country, and merits the thanks of his contemporaries."

The Council fully concur in the praise thus bestowed, and