

## SCOTTISH REPORT, FOR 1844.

*To John Tawse Esqr Secry of the Venerable Society for Propagating Christian Knowledge. Edinburgh Scotland.*

DEAR SIR— At the close of another brief year since making my last Report to your Venerable Society I am once more permitted to address you. I have abundant occasion to make mention of the loving-kindness & tender mercy of God towards me during this time, in that He has spared my life and health to proclaim the unsearchable riches of Jesus Christ to these poor, distracted Indians.

The state of things both as it regards their civil & religious affairs seem of the two to grow more & more deplorable, and another separation is apparently inevitable. The causes of these troubles I mentioned in my last Report, and need not be repeated.

It is now fourteen years since I first arrived amongst this people to labor as a Missionary. Few & short in the retrospect do these years appear, & yet they constitute much of the best portion of the vigor of my life. In reviewing these past years I see very much on account of which I desire to be deeply humbled before God in the deficiencies of my public as well as private labors as an ambassador of Jesus Christ, as well as duties neglected to my own soul, which leads me to exclaim as did Paul I am less than the least of all saints in point of faithfulness in the Makers' cause.

At the time of my arrival the Church consisted of thirty nine members. Since then (1830) 68 have been added to the church. 25 have died in regular standing in the Church— 7 excommunicated & lapsed members have died without being restored. 2 excommunicated members have been restored. 12 have been excommunicated. 8 have left the place and gone to a distant part of the country without being dismissed. 5 are now under censure and 50 now remain in regular standing. One aged member of the church, a female has died since I made my last Report; and she was one of the most exemplary members in the Church.