

GENERAL REPORT
OF THE
JUDGES OF GROUP IX.

PHILADELPHIA, December, 1876.

PROF. FRANCIS A. WALKER, *Chief of the Bureau of Awards* :

SIR,—In pursuance of instructions from your Bureau, that each group of Judges should submit a report exhibiting a survey of the Exhibition in their particular department, embodying the instructive facts observed and conclusions suggested in their examination, the Judges of Group IX. have authorized the undersigned to present the results of their examination. In the consultations upon the awards to exhibitors, among the members of this group, who represented ten different nationalities, all national distinctions were ignored, and so full was the interchange of opinion among the Judges, and so absolute the harmony of sentiment, that an individual member of the group can hardly fail to express the common opinion.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN L. HAYES.