

Lecture Room attached to Dr. Hamilton's Church where the Synod's meetings were held. I was honoured with an invitation to all the Dinners of the Synod and was able to be present at two. They were most agreeable and enjoyable, and tended greatly to diffuse the kindest feelings among members. The largest dining Room of the "London" was well filled; the provision made was most bountiful. A few short speeches were generally made after dinner: but they were not at all "after-dinner speeches" in the common acceptation of the term. I think this dining system might be advantageously copied in the Colonies.

The Synod is putting forth a special effort to raise £10,000 for the College here. One gentleman gives £500, and offers a good deal more on certain conditions. The College is attended by 12 Students, all in Theology. Drs. McCRIE and LORRIMER have sole charge, but they are assisted by a Lecturer. The building in which the classes are held is an eligible one, in a good part of the city. The Library is rugged and old, but there are plenty other Libraries accessible to the Students and Professors. Dr. McCrie is still exploring with success the annals of English Presbyterianism. He recently discovered a biographical treasure in manuscript, which will probably be published.

THE LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY'S ANNIVERSARY.

The anniversary gathering of this noble Society, in EXETER HALL, is second only to that of the British and Foreign Bible Society. Yesterday morning there were about 700 ministers, and as many lay-folk as the Hall could contain, assembled together to hear what had been done during the past year. The Report was long and elaborate, and was read by Dr. Tidman. A number of ministers addressed the audience, among others Dr. Turner and Mr. Cuthbertson. The meeting lasted from 10 o'clock till 3 o'clock. The facts adduced in the Report and by the returned missionaries, prove that abundant blessing has rested on the labours of the Society during the year. The receipts have amounted to £79,576 and the expenditure to £77,935. Special attention has been paid to Madagascar where the prospect is most cheering.

The following mention is made in the Report of our lamented missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon:—

ERROMANGA, beyond all other islands of the Pacific, has obtained a mournful notoriety by the barbarous murders perpetrated by its savage inhabitants, more than twenty years since, upon WILLIAMS and HARRIS, and recently upon Mr. and Mrs. GORDON, who, impelled by Christian compassion, had nobly settled on its blood-stained shores. But although the shadow of death has rested so heavily upon this Island, we are thankful to learn from the journal of Mr. Murray, that there is yet hope for Erromanga.

MR. CUTHBERTSON has just arrived here on a visit, partly for his health and partly to see old friends. He appears thoroughly recruited by the long voyage. He has brought with him most of the effects of our dear departed friends; but they are not yet unshipped, and I am unable to say what has come and what has not.

The sympathy with our Church in her severe loss and in her day of deep sorrow, is fresh and strong here; and the fact of our being ready to send three new men, and our having found three ready to go, excites a delightful