

REPORT.

THE first duty of the Committee of the NEWFOUNDLAND CHURCH SOCIETY, on the occasion of celebrating their Twelfth Anniversary, is the pleasing one of inviting all its members to join them in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the blessing year by year vouchsafed, of increased success in the prosecution of their work and purpose, to the edification of His Church in this Diocese, and the glory of His great Name thereby, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

It is very gratifying to your Committee to observe that the soundness of the principles under which the Society has worked from the beginning, has received confirmation by the foundation of precisely similar associations, not only in the other Dioceses of North America, but also in Australia and other parts of the world. The Report of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, speaks thus favorably of such Societies, in allusion to the formation of a new one in the Diocese of Guiana: "The recent foundation of a Church Society in this Diocese, is an important and promising indication of vitality in the Church."

It is however a matter of regret to your Committee, that the meaning and objects of this Institution, after so long existence and such successful operation in almost all parts of the Island, are yet, in some places, but imperfectly understood and appreciated. They can indeed hardly hope to remove these misapprehensions as to the means by which the Clergy are supported, and how this association is intended to minister to that purpose, by any explanation they can give in the compass of a Report like the present, and they might content themselves with a simple reference to