

## REPORT.

THE present meeting forms the 29th Anniversary in the history of the Society, and the Executive Committee are glad to embrace the opportunity of again expressing their gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for His past blessing upon the work of the Society, and their confidence in His care for the future.

The Committee observe with pleasure the increase in the clergy of the Diocese, and have the satisfaction of stating that the D. C. S. contributes to the support of twenty-three of the number.

The Committee beg to say that, although the special appeal made during last year caused a considerable increase in the income of 1866, yet they regret to observe that it does not seem to have been fully understood that the call was for a *permanent* increase of our funds. Nor do Churchmen appear to be fully aware that as the Block Sum granted by the S. P. G. yearly decreases, the income of this Society must be yearly increased or else the salaries of the missionaries must be diminished.

The funds of the Society being now pledged to the extent of \$3,870 during the year 1867, for support of missionaries, and being called upon to make up \$1,400 toward the deficit in the Block Sum, the Committee earnestly hope that a more vigorous effort will be made throughout the Diocese in support of the D. C. S., which, under God, must be regarded as the main stay of our Church, and they venture to appeal to all Churchmen for aid in fulfilling those engagements which the Society has entered into. The Committee cannot too plainly declare that unless the funds be much increased the salaries of some of the missionaries must be either cut off or diminished.

The Society has to mourn the loss of Colonel Myers, who for many years has been a member of the Executive Committee, and has discharged the responsible duties of Treasurer with unsurpassed accuracy and fidelity. We trust that his bright example in Christian piety has left its mark upon many, and that, as he is at rest from his labors, so his works may follow him. It rests with the General Meeting to appoint a Treasurer to fill the vacancy.