

among them subordination, honesty, industry, and general good behaviour.

The proceedings of a late Missionary Meeting in Tortola are peculiarly gratifying. The Rev. William Chaderton Rector of St. George's, who so eloquently addressed the meeting last year, again came forward, and in moving the third resolution declared that "a deeply rooted and increasing assurance, that the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society is a chosen instrument in the hand of God for extending the knowledge and practice of our holy religion in the world impelled him to embrace that opportunity of again appearing to promote as far as his abilities could avail, the interests of that truly Christian association, and rejoiced on a review of the sentiments which in the fulness, fervour, and integrity of his heart he then expressed, adding, I do therefore with all that warmth and devotedness of affection which genuine friendship alone could inspire, repeat the substance of that solemn avowal, which must be in the memory of the majority of persons in the present meeting, and say, that I continue without the slightest change, 'an ardent admirer and zealous advocate of Methodism as taught and practised by the venerable Wesley.'"

Such an expression of unqualified approbation of the objects of our missions, and the general tendency of our system as a religious body, by a Clergyman of so much respectability, will we trust have the happy effect of weakening and destroying the prejudices of some who are opposed to missionary exertions.

Your Committee however cannot pass from these interesting missions in the American Archipelago, without adverting to the most mysterious and deeply afflictive providence that has ever taken place in the history of Methodism or its missions, (namely) the lamented loss of five of the Brethren belonging to those missions, with two of their wives, five children and two servants; who in returning from the district meeting, were wrecked near Antigua on the night of the 28th of last February. The particulars of this distressing and mournful event, having been so widely circulated