

This statement exhibits the very considerable increase of nearly 950*l.* in the Society's income, (the second year's income having been not quite 1800*l.*, while this year it has reached 2735*l.*); and it is gratifying to be able to state, that this increase, at the head quarters of the Society, has been so far from diminishing local exertions, that it may rather be hailed as a sound indication of the increased zeal of churchmen, throughout the Diocese, manifested not only in building Churches, but in a more attentive regard to every thing which may conduce to the future well-being of God's visible kingdom.

FOUR ANNUAL SERMONS.

By Article XIX. of the new Constitution it is provided, that four Sermons be preached annually in the several Churches, Chapels and Stations, within the Diocese, in aid of the funds of this Society. Since the Act of Incorporation, two such sermons have been preached; the proceeds of the first have been invested in behalf of the Widows and Orphans' Fund, and the second was given for the benefit of five Clergymen in this Diocese, who, from circumstances which need not here be recapitulated, were deprived of their salaries and thrown into much distress. From both of these Sermons, the returns have been highly satisfactory; while the sermon which was preached on Trinity Sunday last will be devoted to Missionary purposes, being one of the two collections which, according to the 19th Article of the Constitution, will not be invested, but annually devoted for the maintenance of resident, or Travelling Missionaries.

DEPOSITORY.

The issues from the Depository have been to the value of 89*l.* 17*s.* 2½*d.* The amount is somewhat less than during the former year, but it must be recollected, that this is altogether attributable to the more contracted importations which have been made during the same period,—not in the slightest degree to any diminution in the demand for such books as set forth the doctrine and discipline of the Church of England.

There have been circulated—

Bibles	639
Testaments	877
Prayer-books	1971
Publications of this Society—Bound	140
Tracts	5124