

would call upon the Secretary, Mr. Harman, to read the Report.

Mr. Harman then read the Report as follows:—

REPORT.

The Committee of the St. George's Parochial Association of the Church Society, have now to present their fifth annual Report.

The past year has not witnessed any progress in Church labour in this Parish which calls for special notice, but your Committee are glad to say that at the same time there has been no actual diminution in the receipts.

The collection for 1854 showed a total of £87 2s. 6d., of which £20 16s. 3d. was paid to the Parent Society—£15 for the first year's rental of the School-house Lot—£5 10s. to the Sunday School Library, and the balance, less expences, to the Church Debt Fund.—Of this burden much still remains, guaranteed and arranged it is true in the way that former Reports have explained, but still not extinguished, or likely to be entirely closed until the Building Society shares, kept up by a few zealous members, are realized,—this may not take place for a couple of years, meanwhile the assistance derived from this Society, and the liberal response of the Congregation to the annual Sermon, have mainly enabled the Churchwardens to proceed with the good work ; and, although there are many objects connected with Church progress, which your Committee would gladly have engaged in, still, the paramount im-