

DIOCESAN CHURCH SOCIETY.

THE Twenty-fifth Annual General Meeting of the Diocesan Church Society was held in St. Paul's schoolroom, on Wednesday evening, the 3rd of February, 1869, and was very largely and respectably attended. The chair was taken by the Archdeacon. After singing and prayer, the Chairman addressed the meeting to the following effect:—

Ladies and Gentlemen ;

We should have been pleased to see the Administrator presiding at our meeting this evening, but in consequence of indisposition he is unable to attend. I must, therefore, ask your kind indulgence in my endeavour to perform the duties that devolve on the chairman ; and I would also solicit your favorable consideration on behalf of those appointed to move and second the resolutions.

The Report which will be read to you gives a detailed account of the work of the Church in our Island during the past year. Thus you will have an opportunity of hearing what has been done in your own parish, and also from the clergy generally what they believe to be the state of the Church in their several Missions. Combined effort is essential to the prosperity of any society, whether civil or religious. It is by united action, under God, that we must look for successful results in the work of our Diocesan Society. I cannot imagine a more pleasing duty for members of a Christian Church than