

Report, &c.

The Committee of the Nova Scotia Baptist Foreign Missionary Society present the following report :

IN the course of the past year the operations of the Society, although not of a nature to demand a very minute explanation, have been of a highly interesting character. The first direct step in their labours as a Missionary Society may be said to have been taken.— Their beloved Missionaries having sailed from Boston, as was mentioned in the last report of this Committee, have arrived in India, in a land of Idolators, and are now actually on the ground, some part of which it is hoped they may be permitted by Providence to cultivate.

The goodness of God highly favoured them on their voyage, and has attended them in all their subsequent arrangements. Having met with no seriously unpleasant weather, they arrived in the month of the Hoogly on September the 19th, in only one hundred and five days from the time they left Boston. Here, a few days were spent in ascending the river, and they reached Calcutta on the 26th.

In this city the kindest reception awaited them on the part of our good brethren the English Missionaries stationed there. They found a home in the house of the Rev. Mr Leslie of the English Baptist Mission, and spent a few days in the enjoyment of the hospitality and the highly interesting Christian society of various religious friends. In the course of this time Mr Burpe mentions having visited Serampore, a few miles distant from Calcutta, a spot consecrated by the lives and death of Carey and Marshman. Here he had an opportunity of seeing the venerable mother of the last named missionary.

On Mr Burpe's arrival in India, he received a letter from the Rev. Mr Stilson, the American Missionary at Akyab in Arracan, earnestly recommending him to visit that province with a view to finally selecting there his field of future labour ; and as this agreed with the tenor of the advice suggested by our respected friends the officers of the