

has extended the discussion of the points at issue, and waked it to a life, which is felt throughout all the bounds of modern theology. The penetrative power of that work is not only in its loving tone, but in the masterly analysis separating, in the Romanism of to-day, that which is Catholic from that which is purely and unhealthily Ultramontano; and his exposure is so severe, that from the latter, as shown up by him, many of the Romanists themselves—Dr. Newman among them—shrink in disgust. We cannot agree in all points with the positions taken in that great work, which so splendidly sets forth “the Truth and Office of the Church of England:” but the object of the book was to stimulate the mind and heart of the Church to take hold of the question of the restoration of Unity *in earnest*; and it is bearing good fruit in that direction.

So widely has the yearning for Unity been felt, that the Protestant denominations themselves—the most numerous fruits, the most fruitful seeds, of schisms—have long felt it. The faint first attempt of the Evangelical Alliance has been followed by one effort after another, until the Christian Union Association in which they talk and labor over their acknowledged want, has reached the conclusion that the Nicene Creed must be the doctrinal basis: and when they reach with equal clearness the necessity of the Apostolic Ministry, they will approximate as nearly in reality, as they do in name, to our own Christian Unity Society.

As all Christendom, therefore, evidently feels the drawing together into one, in a way never known before since the great Schism of the East and the West, we think it none too soon to ask the most careful attention of our readers to a series of articles concerning *the principle* which must lie at the basis of such a movement towards Unity, and which alone with the blessing of God, can guide it to a true success.—*Church Journal.*

### THE CHURCH IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

THE annual general meeting of the Newfoundland Church Society was held, pursuant to notice given, in the Cathedral Sunday School Building. His Excellency the Governor presided, assisted by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of the Diocese; and there was a large attendance of both clergy and laity, who quite filled up the room, and all exhibited great interest in the proceedings. The report was read by the Rev. G. M. Johnson, secretary, and was of an interesting and satisfactory character. The funds of the institution were shown by the treasurer's accounts to have increased upon those of the previous year to a considerable extent, and the expenditure to have been proportionately extended. The balance in the treasurer's hands at the close of the accounts presented for the years 1865-6 was £340 16s. 8d. against £880 7s. 1d.—the amount standing as the balance from 1864-5. The treasurer's accounts duly audited were submitted by the secretary in the absence of W. H. Maré, Esq., treasurer. The several resolutions annexed were each moved and seconded by a clergyman and a layman, and the speeches made were of an unusually interesting character. We sincerely trust much practical good will result from the meeting both in St. John's itself and in the out-harbours. Being the year of the Bishop's visitation, at which many clergymen are in attendance at St. John's, an opportunity was afforded to the rev. gentlemen who severally addressed the meeting, only occurring once in four years, of communicating much interesting information; and we doubt not those of the out-harbours will return home refreshed and encouraged by the zealous and cordial speeches they heard from their lay and other brethren in St. John's. Would that the opportunities to both of seeing and hearing each other could only be more frequent.—*N. F. L. Times.*