AN ACCOUNT

OF THE

STATE OF THE SCHOOLS

IN THE

ISLAND OF NEWFOUNDLAND,

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THE BISHOP OF LONDON having stated at the Board in April last, that it had been represented to him, "that at the time when the Newfoundland School Society commenced their operations, there was only one free school in the island, which had been founded by Lord Gambier, and that the schools under the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts were so ineffective as to be only nominal;" and it appearing that statements had been industriously circulated that the education of the poor in the Island of Newfoundland had been grossly neglected by this Society; the Board "requested the Bishop of Nova Scotia to direct his attention to the state of the schools in Newfoundland, and the reports which had reached this country of their utter inefficiency."

In consequence of this application, the following interesting letter has been received from the Bishop by the Secretary:—