

tion of its income in the comparatively short space of seven years,—viz. from £170 in 1815 to upwards of £1800 in 1852,—and which is looked to as the only source whence must be drawn, (perhaps at no distant period) the means of maintaining the Clergy and promoting the objects of the Church of England in this Country.

This Committee cannot but deplore the refusal of Her Majesty's Representative to coöperate with the Lord Bishop of the Diocese and the Committee of "The Newfoundland Church Society" in carrying out its pious, and, as His Excellency so lately termed them, "laudable" objects.

(2) This Committee takes occasion to declare that the principles and the proceedings of "The Newfoundland Church Society" are unchanged;—that they are now, what they were when His Excellency the Governor accepted the office of Patron in January last;—aye! and what they were, when in June last, five months later, His Excellency presided over its anniversary meeting, approved its objects, and declared the duty of Churchmen to contribute "as a community," to their promotion.

The present "system" was adopted in 1845, when the "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel" had intimated to the Bishop the intention, which was the next year more formally announced in the following Resolution of that Society:—

"After July 1st 1849, the Bishop's Salary from the Society to be reduced to £250, and that of every missionary then on the list to a sum not exceeding £100. Such sums to be continued on the condition of what is reduced by the Society being made up by the people."

Under these circumstances, the necessity of union, and combined action, and general contributions, was felt and acknowledged by all who were interested in the welfare of the Church of England,—in the continuance of her sacred ministrations where they were already enjoyed in this Colony, and in their extension where they were yet unknown. His Excellency the late Sir John Harvey recommended the system then adopted, in an admirable address delivered at the annual meeting of the "Church Society" in 1845, and published by the Committee in their Report for that year. In the same year, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese issued a Pastoral Letter to his Clergy sub-