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“Men speak not with the instruments of writing, neither write with the instruments of speech, and yet things recorded with the one and uttered with the other may be preached well enough with both.”

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The present number brings the first volume of the *Church Chronicle* to a close; it may, therefore, naturally be expected that its Editors should say a few words respecting the progress and present condition of the work. It was started in compliance with the resolution unanimously passed at the annual meeting of the Church Society in 1860, which asserted that it was desirable to publish, in connection with this Diocese, an occasional paper containing information respecting the condition and progress of the kingdom of Christ alike in this country and in other parts of the world. A committee was appointed to carry out this resolution. That committee so far departed from the instructions they received as to substitute a regular monthly issue in place of the occasional one which was originally contemplated. They did this not only because upon inquiry they discovered that there was ample material in the present history of the Church's work to furnish interesting and profitable reading month by month, but also because the regular publication afforded opportunity for communicating necessary intelligence respecting the operations of the Church in this Diocese, and chiefly because the expense of bringing out a paper at regular intervals was likely to be less than one brought out occasionally. These expectations have been realized. The difficulty on the part of the Editors has not been that of finding material for each number, but of selection, while we believe the clergy and other members of the Church have found the usefulness of the paper as a channel of local intelligence; and a continued effort on the part of our friends will easily make it entirely self-supporting.

On looking back over our year's labours we have much cause for thankfulness; and especially are we happy in the conviction that this