

15, 1861. On no previous occasion has a larger or more respectable assembly been gathered. Every congregation in the city was represented by many of its most active and zealous members, and several laymen and clergymen from the country were also present. There was a tone of reality and heartiness about the meeting which gave good evidence that the Society is increasingly occupying its just place in the hearts and convictions of churchmen, as that which with God's blessing is destined to prove the chief instrument of maintaining and extending the kingdom and gospel of Christ throughout the Diocese.

The chair was taken by the Lord Bishop, who after opening the meeting with the usual prayers, delivered an introductory address, in which, while acknowledging with gratitude the present improved condition of the Church Society, and the manifest interest that was now felt in its success, he pressed upon all the duty of making enlarged exertion for its support, and of more earnest prayer for its success. He concluded with the following appeal for united and generous efforts in the work to which the Society was devoted; "But if anything effectual is to be done, either for individual parishes or for the diocese at large,—if we are to hold our own and keep up our present services—still more, if we are to carry onward the work and spread abroad the light of the Gospel of Christ, and gather fresh wanderers into His fold, the laity must come forward in earnest and take the matter in hand; and while the clergy devote themselves as is their bounden duty, to the immediate offices of prayer and the ministry of the word, the laity must labour for their sustentation, and do it heartily as unto the Lord, and not unto man, trusting, that while

Thus their bounty pours its ample meed,  
That onward yet such blessings may proceed,  
That Christian men, in due succeeding place,  
Might, as they well fulfilled their holy race,  
Shed through the Christian Church the means of Christian grace.'

The Report was read by the Secretary, the Rev. E. J. Rogers. It contained the satisfactory announcement that the income of the Society has been from ordinary sources \$1013.44 more than last year. It also called special attention to the fact that the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, had adopted a scheme for aiding the Colonial Dioceses in creating endowment funds for the support of their Parishes and Missions, and mentioned that the Diocese of Nova Scotia had already availed itself of this proposal, by originating a plan for raising the sum of £40,000 for that purpose.

The adoption of the Report was moved by the Rev. J. Irwin, Rector of St. Johns, and seconded by His Excellency Sir W. F. Williams, Administrator of the Government.

The second resolution which was expressive of gratitude to Almighty God for the progress of Missionary work throughout the world, and especially for the extension of the Colonial Episcopate during the past year, was, in the absence of the Right Reverend the Bishop of New York,