

REPORT, &c.

It having pleased Almighty God that the Newfoundland Church Society should be permitted to continue its labours through another year, your Committee desire to express very great thankfulness that the affairs of the Society have been allowed to prosper, and are such as to encourage a hope that God has been glorified and the interests of the Church advanced; and indeed, it must be acknowledged by all that the Society is only doing its work so long as these two objects are steadily kept in view.

It was the melancholy duty of the Committee, in presenting their last report, to pay a tribute to the memory of one who for so many years had been, as it were, the mainspring of the Society; but yet their feelings were tempered with the reflection that God had raised up a worthy successor to him, and one in every way fit for the onerous task laid upon him,—of taking pastoral oversight of St. John's, and administering the Diocese during the Bishop's necessary absence. Little however did they foresee that it would so soon again be their task to record the loss of one so eminently gifted and so beloved by all who knew him, as the late Rev. J. G. MOUNTAIN,—one so thoroughly devoted to the sacred duties of his office, and who had toiled with untiring energy in the great work of the ministry, and bringing souls to Christ. It is felt that this may, perhaps, be recalling sad and sorrowful thoughts, but surely the Newfoundland Church Society will ever cherish the memory of those who have striven with all singleness of heart, and laid down even their lives, for that great cause, the glory