

REPORT.

The Reports from the various Parishes and Missionary Stations throughout the Island give so full and favorable an account of Church matters generally, that the Committee appointed to prepare the annual summary would refer to them, rather than anticipate them by their own remarks.

The Executive Committee have endeavored so to appropriate the funds at their disposal as best to carry out the recognized objects of the Society. It would appear by the Report of 1858, that the amount raised in this Island as subscriptions to this Society, amounted to £90 16s. 10d. Our Financial Secretary is prepared to state that this year his receipts exceed £170. But shall we take credit to ourselves that we, in this particular, have done our duty; or that what we have given for the cause of God and the Church has kept equal pace with the increasing wealth of our people throughout the Island?

The effects of the yearly decrease in the grant from the Society for the propagation of the Gospel have already been felt by one of the missionary clergymen stationed here. In three or four of the reports which have been read at these annual meetings of the Society, the note of alarm has been sounded, and we have been warned that the fostering care, so long extended to this Island by the religious societies of England would gradually be withdrawn. The time cannot be very far distant when the Church will be thrown entirely upon her own resources; and hence it was that the Committee