

Report incomplete and unsatisfactory. Great inconvenience must always result while this cause of complaint exists, which can only be removed by promptness and punctuality on the part of the Clergy. The Committee would venture again to suggest, in order to render the Report as complete as possible, that the Returns should be regularly forwarded by the middle of May. The Returns, as far as they have been received by the Secretary, show an increase in the aggregate on those from the same missions last year of £240, and the whole amount paid into the Treasurer's hands during the past twelve months has been £1841, 17s. 4d.

The Treasurer's account will exhibit the state of the finances of the Society at this date. The balance in his hands, it is gratifying to observe, is larger than at the last annual meeting. To this account, which will be printed, your Committee beg to refer for a detailed statement of the manner in which they have appropriated the monies subscribers have committed to their trust.

Votes have been made under the recommendation of the Bishop as follows; to Clergymen £889 17s. 11d.; towards the erection or repair of Churches £138; and of Parsonage Houses £73; besides a sum of £72 5s. 0d. for miscellaneous objects. In addition to these votes, there have been specially contributed, and expended in different localities without having been paid into the Treasurer's hands, and submitted to your Committee, the following amounts;—for Clergymen £152 12s. 4d.; for Churches £70; for Parsonage Houses £105 17s. 0d.; and for other purposes £238 19s. 0d.: making in all for Clergymen £992 10s. 3; for Churches £208 10s. 4d.; for Parsonage Houses £178 17s. 0d.; and for miscellaneous objects £311 4s. 0d.

It will be seen from these statistics, that so far as accounts have been received, a sum total of £1691 1s. 7d. has been raised and expended within the Diocese for Church Society purposes during the last year. Were all the returns complete, no doubt the amount would be much larger.

Much difficulty has often been felt by the Committee