

To advance under God the good work of Brown, Martyn and Buchanan, the BISHOP has appositely given to the Cause of Missions the identical sort of sanction which it wanted. It wanted political countenance and the reputation of sound learning. Judged dangerous in its apparent disregard of political cares, it was judged of disputable orthodoxy in point of doctrine. In the church it had been supposed to characterize a party.—Stability and ballast appeared to be wanting to this ark upon the waters. Old institutions for the purpose, did comparatively nothing toward it: the government of England had not expressed itself favourably on the subject, beyond an ancient indication or two, grown obsolete: the Universities as such, sent forth no men in the cause: it was prosecuted but collaterally, and by individual efforts: no provision existed, humanly speaking, for the continuance of missionary exertions in the Church. Our departed Bishop has conferred upon the Missionary Cause, according to his predilections as to the mode of it, every attestation, aid, and honour, which it could expect to receive from him. Instead of a dangerous project, he has with reason, said, that it, or nothing, must prove our safety in these possession—that it were preposterous to suppose ourselves established here for any purpose except to make known the Son of God to a people ignorant of him. He gave the Missionary Cause his heart. During life, he employed on the Mission College all his elaborateness and accuracy of attention; in death, he has be-

queathed to it the choice of his books: he has also bequeathed a part of what expresses the heart of man, his money: lastly, he had bequeathed to it, if it should please God, his very bones: he had looked to it, as Jacob to the Holy Land, saying, *There they shall bury me!*”

The Archdeacon (who has himself, we regret to say, been since carried off by the fatal epidemic of the East, in the flower of his age) had observed, in reference to the College, in the sermon which he had preached in the morning—

“It was to the new Mission College that the Bishop eagerly looked, as a sure means of extending knowledge to the people of this country. This Institution was the nursling of his latter years. It occupied his attention many hours of every day; and his anxious mind was daily gratified with the expectation of seeing it in full operation.”

The Corresponding Committee add—

“From these truly Christian anticipations, the late Bishop was suddenly snatched away, to engage, we trust, in the unmixed exercises and delights of the *just made perfect*. The Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls ever liveth—the same yesterday, to-day and forever; and however mysterious his dispensations may appear, we know that He is mindful of His Church, and will not fail to ‘accomplish the number of his elect, and to hasten His kingdom.’”