

churches is, perhaps, found in the large salaries paid to many of our ministers at home. While we have not a doubt that they deserve all they get, and earn it, and that it is perfectly equitable as a business arrangement, we are firmly convinced that it lifts the pastor above the level of his people, and particularly of the great mass of the poorer and neglected classes. But especially abroad does it seem to us an indispensable requisite to success in reaching the native population that the *tie of sympathy and of identity* with their condition should never be weakened. The very names of William Carey, Adoniram Judson, Robert Morrison, David Livingstone and Robert Moffat are sufficient both to demonstrate and illustrate this statement.

We seriously apprehend that the published statements of Dr. Lunn are not based upon a sufficiently broad induction from facts. Twelve months in India could scarcely prepare any man to speak very safely on such questions. We have just conversed on board the *Servia* with a missionary of the A. B. C. F. M., who has been twenty years in India, who says that the assertions of Messrs. Hughes and Lunn are in some cases grossly mistaken, and that India's conditions are such that the rules prevailing elsewhere cannot be applied there. But after all these allowances are made, is it not plain that there is danger of a decided *decline in the martyr spirit*, without which the missionary spirit cannot long survive? We have often heard young men urged to go to the foreign field because no longer such self-denial is necessary as was in other days. Such arguments are perilous. When any man or woman goes to Japan or India or China or Africa, leaving behind the principle of "losing life for Christ's sake and the gospel's," he would much better stay at home. The spectacle of self-indulgence, among heathen, Pagan and Moslem peoples, is not that which wins men to take up their cross after Christ. No life in these modern days has left a more indelible impression of Pauline character upon the race than David Livingstone's, whose most marked peculiarity was that he turned his back on everything that men hold most dear, and buried himself as the good seed of the kingdom in the heart of the Dark Continent. That was the secret reason why he accomplished those bloodless victories among savage tribes, and was more adored by those Africans than any foreigner that ever set foot on their territory. Let us have a new generation of men and women that count nothing dear unto themselves for Christ's sake and the gospel's, and we shall have a new harvest in the wide field of the world, whose fruit shall shake like Lebanon!