

Committee a subject of the most grave and anxious deliberation. To strengthen and extend its Missions in India has long been the object of the Committee's earnest desire, and that desire has been accompanied by deep regret that the necessary means of doing so have been wanting. But, taking into consideration the urgency of existing circumstances, and the determination of many excellent friends to attempt a large augmentation of the income this year, together with the certainty that some (and it is hoped, very many) will increase their stated contributions in order to facilitate extension in India, the Committee resolves that ten additional Missionaries shall be sent to India as soon as the means are provided; this number being regarded but as the commencement of an increase to the Missionary staff there, which the Committee will be happy to follow up as vigorously as the state of the funds at their disposal will allow."

Many ardent friends of the Society and of India have wished that fifty additional Missionaries might be sent to that country, and this Resolution does not say that as large a number shall not be sent. It names only ten, but this as the "commencement of an increase," which, if we understand the terms used, is to be continued indefinitely while the means provided allow it. There is great sagacity and prudence in this decision, and its very moderation in present exciting circumstances, and resulting from the deliberations of lovers of the Redeemer accustomed to give liberty to their purest sympathies, is indicative of enlarged and just views. The Committee manage the affairs of the largest voluntary Protestant Missionary Society of the nineteenth century. India demands commiseration; but how far behind India in pressing claims, is China, Turkey, Africa? It takes now-a-days one hundred and twenty thousand pounds to keep the evangelical machinery of the Society at work. India appeals from amidst scenes of superstition and carnage; but on the four winds come plaintive, piercing cries for help, and at not a few pagan places churches have been built in hope; but funds are lacking to supply the preachers! He who can bear to have his soul wrung with harrowing authentic recitals, must take up the English Wesleyan Missionary Notices month after month.

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### THE LATE REV. WILLIAM HARVARD, D.D.

The lamented Governor of the Richmond Branch of the Wesleyan Theological Institution, Dr. Harvard, died last 15th of December, aged 68 years, and while the respect and affection shown at his funeral by ministers and students gratify us, it is a touching and instructive fact, that among the mourners were three sons and a nephew of the deceased, all ministers of the Wesleyan Church; and in placing his death on lasting record, we do it thankfully recognising, to the glory of God, his many personal and connexional excellencies which were exemplary.

In his disposition there was much Christian lowliness and sanctity; in his manners the kindness and blandness of a gentleman; in his enlightened mind, sterling principle, and ample literary and evangelical resources; in the pulpit all was scriptural, Wesleyan, useful; the platform allured when he was upon it, and his public zeal was that of a yearning, unwearied philanthropist.

In 1813, Dr. Coke, who had already for Missionary objects crossed the