

of Truth to its teeming and idolatrous population increases year by year. The events of each year seem to strengthen the tie that binds the Indian Empire to the throne of England, and by so much the more increases the claim which the population of that country has upon the sympathy and generous zeal of all christian people. While progress is so obviously impressed upon everything which relates to the material interests of India; while commerce and education are rapidly advancing, and the tide of prosperity is reaching the remotest provinces, those who are toiling for the spiritual and eternal interests of that wonderful land, should act their part with befitting vigour and noble enterprise, proving by their deeds of christian love and self-denial that the religious elevation of India is the paramount object at which they aim. In order in some measure to discharge their duty to this country, the Committee have determined to employ special agents, acquainted with the people and their wants, who, keeping beyond the limits of existing Auxiliaries, and not clashing with their efforts, should organize plans for a very comprehensive circulation of the Word of God. This idea has been partially carried out, and the Committee are hopeful of success.

From CHINA the Committee report encouraging tokens of success. A day of Gospel light is dawning upon this vast empire which shall shine brighter and brighter unto the perfect day. A foundation has been laid on which the superstructure of Christ's Church shall be gradually reared. Although the steps taken are as yet but preparatory, yet it must be admitted that a great deal has been already accomplished. The Scriptures have been translated,—missionaries planted in populous centres,—churches organized—schools commenced—-itinerant operations pushed gradually into districts previously unvisited by Europeans—two thousand and five hundred

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