

itself half a meditation or soliloquy. Nor is this fault likely to be generally amended, till intercessory prayer be made a distinct portion of the service. In some of our churches, this most desirable arrangement has been introduced with the happiest effect upon the character of the congregational worship and upon the spirit of the worshipper. As there is no exercise of the mind more elevating or better adapted to enlarge the mind, by awakening a sense of personal interest in the concerns of the Nation, of the Church or the World, so intercessory prayer, when sincerely joined in as a solemn duty, and realized as the business of the Church, makes prayer itself seem a more real and effective means, and thus nourishes that faith upon which its efficacy depends.—*London Patriot*.

## MUNIFICENT REQUESTS.

By the settlements of the late H. M. Gibb, Esq., he makes the following bequests to the charitable and religious institutions undermentioned, viz. :—

The Royal Infirmary .....	£1000
The Society for Industrious Blind.....	350
The Institution for Deaf and Dumb.....	350
The House of Refuge (Queensberry House).....	400
The Night Asylum for the Houseless .....	250
The Royal Lunatic Asylum .....	250
The Society for Relief of the Destitute Sick .....	350
The Institution for Relief of Incurables.....	500
The Society for Relief of Indigent Old Men .....	500
The Benevolent Fund for Relief of Indigent Gentlewomen of Scotland .....	500
The Senior Female Society for Relief of Aged and Indigent Women.....	350
The Junior Female Society for Relief of Indigent Old Women .....	350
The Shelter (Gilmour's Close,) 99, Grassmarket .....	150
The Royal Public Dispensary. ....	250
The Dissenters' Widows' Fund (instituted 1797) .....	500
The Association for Improving the Lodging-Houses of the Working-Classes (instituted 1841) .....	250
The Original Ragged or Industrial School .....	200
The Magdalen Asylum.....	250
The Edinburgh City Mission.....	1000
The British and Foreign Bible Society .....	500
The Scottish Bible Society.....	500
The United Presbyterian Church, Rose Street, for Educational Purposes at Home, or for aid of Decayed Ministers of that Church.....	2000
Ditto, for Foreign Missions of Ditto .....	2000
The Grassmarket Mission, Edinburgh .....	150
The Scottish Missionary Society (instituted in 1796).....	350
The Scottish Monthly Tract Society .....	150
The Infirmary of Perth .....	500
The Minister and Kirk-Session of Dunbarrie (Mr. Gibb's native parish,) for investment for benefit of selected Poor .....	600
To the above may be added the following legacies, viz. :—	
Miss Jameson, daughter of late Rev. W. Jameson, Calabar.....	100
Rev. J. Campbell, Missionary, Jamaica .....	100
Rev. W. H. Waddell, Missionary, Calabar.....	100
Rev. G. Blyth, late Missionary, Jamaica .....	100

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[Mr. Gibb who was a native of Perthshire, Scotland, entered on life in very humble circumstances; and by exemplary good behaviour, accompanied by great suavity of disposition, attained, under God's blessing, to a measure of affluence. The above bequests might have been much larger, had he, like many, acted on the principle of retaining his wealth as long as he could, and disposing of it only after his death. But it is well known, that in connection with the benevolent and religious schemes of the U. P. Congregation of Rose Street, Edinburgh, (of which he