

The effect of this condition would be to make every Mission in which it is fulfilled completely self-supporting in the course of a very few years. And the Society would be glad to learn as soon as possible your Lordship's opinion whether there is any sufficient reason against attaching this condition to the block-grant for 1866-8. If your Lordship be of opinion that its application would conduce to the end we have in view, the Society is prepared to make it a stipulation in the case of every Mission in your Lordship's Diocese which is aided from this grant.

4. - I am also desired to state that the Society wishes that in appropriating grants to missions out this block-grant, it should be stipulated that the assessments levied on the several parishes by the Diocesan Board be paid up by the parishioners, before the allowances out of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel grant are paid to the clergy of those parishes. It is also wished that the Diocesan Board be requested (in conformity with regulation (d) above,) before paying the Society's allowance, to procure from each missionary the report required by the Society. And farther that the Board be desired to enforce as soon as practicable the building of parsonages in the ten parishes on the Society's list where there are none, and the raising of an endowment, or procuring of a glebe in the sixteen parishes which need them.

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From the foregoing letter, it will be seen that in the present instance the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel has departed from its rule requiring its grant to be diminished at least £100; and that our grants will be made for the next three years less £50 only. For this favourable decision, the Church in this Diocese cannot be too grateful; for had the reduction been as large as was at one time anticipated, the Board with due observance of their obligations would have had no alternative, but to close some of the poorer Missions which under other circumstances would have the greater claim to the Society's liberality. But notwithstanding the renewal of the Society's grant for the next three years, it would be highly improper for the Board to withhold the fact that each succeeding year only renders them the more sensible of the dangers and difficulties