

## MISSION FIELD.

THE S.P.G. SOCIETY'S GRANTS  
FOR 1891.[From the S. P. G. Mission Field  
for July].

[CONTINUED.]

We have a few more things to say. A vote, made in 1886, of £1 000 a year for five years for Upper Burma on the annexation to India of that country, expires at the end of 1891. The votes now made provide for an additional expenditure of £2 200 in India during 1891. For the continuance of all except £400 of this annual expenditure in India over and above the annual grants, provision to the extent of £2 800 must be made next year. Towards this the Society will have assistance from the estate of the same testatrix, Miss Jane Wilson, to whose liberality we have already referred. The living supporters of the Society must also take their part. The case, too, is one which demands more than mere cure that there should not be necessity for retrenchment. In Burma and in the rest of India there is work growing out of success already attained, which in all good consequence cannot be left undone. In Africa, China, Japan, and other countries there is the like need.

The average amount annually received from the legacies of deceased friends and the interest accruing on the Society's investments are more than enough to cover all home expenditure. All subscriptions and donations are therefore wholly applicable to the support of the Missions in Foreign Parts, and of each pound so given it may be taken as an approximate division that 5s. goes to the work among the colonists and emigrants, 12s 6d. to the conversion of the heathen within the limits of British possessions, and 2s 6d. to Mission work in non British countries such as China, Japan, Borneo, and Madagascar.

And then, after all, money is not the only thing. Men are wanted. We obtain a certain number of them. St Augustine's College, Canterbury, and the other Missionary Colleges produce each year well trained students, whom the Society has the happiness of sending into the Mission Field. Then, thank God! a few clergymen, eminent in learning, zeal, and spiritual force, offer themselves each year, and are sent to occupy important spheres of work abroad. A larger supply of the younger clergy is what is now most desired. It is almost necessary that, as well as candidates for holy orders, those who have already some experience of the office of the sacred ministry should be sent forth. There is ample provision for the maintenance of about sixteen such in India, China, Japan, the Straits, Borneo, British Columbia, and Madagascar. In England there is constantly a number of the younger clergy leaving their first spheres of work, and we trust that we may not put before them in vain the suggestion that they should offer some years of their lives for the work of the Church abroad. And, besides money and men, we ask for frequent interces-

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Quebec .....	1,450	
Toronto Pension....	32	
Algoma .....	850	
Fredericton.....	1,250	
Nova Scotia .....	875	
Newfoundland .....	2,400	
Rupert's Land.....	1,560	
Qu'Appelle.....	800	
Saskatchewan and Calgary.....	1,300	1,000
Caledonia .....	300	130
New Westminster...	660	
Total.....	£12 437	£1,730

ABOUT seventy years ago our proportion was one in 416 of the population. To-day we are one in 131. The boy who, knows his creed, if the ratio of increase is kept up which has existed since 1829, will see in our Church 50,700 clergymen, with 5,000,000 communicants. This takes no note of all the institutions of philanthropy, the colleges, theological seminaries and other means of blessing men; but it calls upon us to prepare for the future by endowing schools and churches. The people come like a flood, and if true to our Master there is a future for the Church in this land more blessed than the most optimistic among us can anticipate."—North Dakota Churchman.

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