## The Fast-Day,

Some few minds, however, have been awakened to the need of stirring in this interesting cause; and as the charter that was granted a few years ago, making Vancouver a Crown Colony, reserved certain lands for the purposes of religion and education, let us hope that the Church of the nation will speak through some of her members, and enter boldly upon her inheritance for the evangelization of the natives.

We have heard that more than one voice has been raised at the Monthly Meetings of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in favour of the claims of these distant islanders. Why should not that Society step forward and ask of the legislature to be appointed trustees of the Church lands already assigned ? God would surely bless so wise, so just, and so faithful a movement to His own glory, and would raise up soldiers of the Cross to do the work of evangelists where they are so much needed.

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[The readers of the *Colonial Church Chronicle* will remember that this subject has before been discussed in its pages. There is an article upon it in the number for November, 1853, page 161; and a long and very interesting account of the island in the number for May, 1854, page 409.]

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