

stances ; but earnestly pray to be delivered from such a state of mind; lest the blood of others should be required at my hands.

The Missionary cause which you are this evening invited to support, contemplates as you fully know, the melioration of perishing millions of your own species ; and identifies itself with the blood of Christ ; the songs of Angels ; the salvation of a ruined world ; and with every ennobling and generous feeling of the human heart. Need I then press upon you “the necessity of coming forward with your prayers, your influence, your faith and your pecuniary means, in aid of this glorious cause ? Shall I beseech you for God’s sake, who gave his Son to die for you ? or for the heathen’s sake, who are children of the same family with yourselves ? or for your own sakes, that you may escape the curse which came upon Meroz, for not going up “to the help of the Lord against the mighty” ? I do beseech you,—and beseech you to aid this blessed cause *now* ; for souls are perishing !—perishing by hundreds !—perishing whilst I am speaking ! If it be true that men die in the proportion of one to every moment, three thousand six hundred souls have passed out of time in—the course of the last hour ; and it is more than probable, that two thousand five hundred of these had no knowledge of the true God, before their exit ! What ; two thousand five hundred of the heathen gone into Eternity, since we assembled here ! Men of Israel help ! contribute of your substance ;—send forth your mis-