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Our friends will know from the last printed Report 1862, which nearly all our subscribers have examined, that our operations annually enlarge, and that the Committee is continually urged to appoint additional Missionaries to old Stations; to divide Missions, to work them with greater effect, as some extend over a dozen townships; and also to take up fresh places on new ground, where many of our Members have moved, and immigrants lately from the old country. But to carry out *all* the suggestions of the Missionaries, and to respond to all the calls of the people to go over to help them, is impossible.

To some of our sanguine Missionaries and zealous people, the conduct of our Missionary Committee appears scarcely sufficiently enterprising, in not pushing on, and taking up the whole country! But it should be remembered, that it is a maxim in our church polity never to run into debt, nor trade on borrowed capital. If the funds will not meet the demands, then the labourers must go *short* in equal proportions. Were the Committee to answer every call, and rush out hosts of men that are waiting to go, the means would not correspond, and Missionaries on Stations would be seriously short, not merely of their Conference salaries, which even now are not in all cases made up, but of the quarterly grants apportioned by the Conference to each Mission Station. The Committee is therefore, with all the prudent zeal and careful management they can exercise, often found between a sharp cross fire-from the calls of the Missionaries and people for increased help-the Treasurer, who holds up his diminishing cash in hand-and the Home Authorities admonishing us of reduced assistance, and the necessity of self-reliance and becoming independent.