

Taylor, who speaks so loudly of the great merit of so-called sacrifices, and is willing to let missionaries have all that merit; and also those who would dictate to missionaries as to food, clothing, etc.—who would seek to deprive missionaries of those things which at home are regarded as necessities and accompaniments of civilization. Going to India does not give me a Hindu stomach or Hindu tastes any more than the Hindu language. Both may be acquired, and if it be necessary in the interests of the work, every true missionary will do so, and as a matter of fact does so in the greater number of cases.

But why is this theory so readily adopted at home by so many? We believe in saving mission money so far as it can be done. No missionary goes out to make money, or at least if he does he will soon join the Government service where the pay and advantages are so much higher. But when all saving in mission funds is attempted at the expense of the missionaries, and when those driving this policy are living at their ease, surrounded not with the comforts only, but with the luxuries of life, and are only prepared to spare for the heathen the crumbs of Lazarus, we denur and refuse to sacrifice efficiency to save either their purses or their consciences.

The remedy for all such criticism is to be found in a more full recognition of God's guidance in the whole matter. Let each missionary be more fully persuaded in his own mind that he is working in harmony with God, and then, with a view to efficient working, keep up all his faculties in the highest state of efficiency possible. If with native food and dress he can do so, then naturally these will be adopted; but any saving on these things that is done at the expense of efficient work, is positively wrong. In sending out a missionary the Church is bound to see that he gets what he needs for his work, and all regular missionary societies have tried to do this,

The suicidal ascetic may win much pity from sickly sentimentalists, but such never helped to build up God's cause, and no true missionary wishes for such pity, or for the pious gush that usually accompanies it.

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