

science, is now represented by some well known scientific man, whose influence may be fairly calculated upon to assist in this particular; we might appeal with entire confidence to Sir F. Herschel, Sir Snow Harris, Professor Wheatstone, Colonel Sabine, Captain Smyth, Mr. E. Becket Denison, and others, too numerous to name; besides those who form the connecting links between scientific and general society, as Lord Ross, Lord Ellesmere, Sir R. Murchison, Mr. Talbot, and others; and last, but not least, in acceptance as in position, the Prince Consort himself.

The formation of a corporate library on the coast of the Pacific might also, it may be thought, well call forth the liberality of many, and in this especially, as generally for the whole undertaking, I should look to assistance from such societies as those for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and the Propagation of the Gospel, the Bible Society, and others whose objects are similar; scientific societies would doubtless give their transactions and journals, and continue them, publishing societies their serials; publishers and authors I believe would contribute freely, and indeed every one who has books, not to say a library, has duplicates and others occupying space uselessly to him, that would be well bestowed for such a purpose; even I, though by no means useless to me, would contribute a collection of books, maps, &c. relating generally to North America and the Pacific, but more especially to the North-west Coast; and I suppose the industrial portions of the work might also receive much assistance in material as well as money for, to such a community everything would be useful, a child who could give nothing else might interest itself in the work by the gift of a favourite dog—a most welcome companion—and those who would give nothing for nothing might give in the hope, and under the promise of receiving, the horticulturalist might give seeds and plants, to be replaced by seeds