

churches and secure means for liquidating the debt. The board also thought that it would afford the churches an opportunity of becoming acquainted with our brother, and thus, effectually secure for him their sympathies and prayers. In accordance with this decision Brother Normondy visited the churches in the Western and Central Associations during the latter part of the winter and early this spring. Everywhere he met with a cordial reception, and notwithstanding the financial pressure of the times, his appeals received a hearty response. He obtained one hundred and forty-two pounds, which with monies previously pledged will shortly free the Mission-house from debt. The board would express their thanks to the churches for their liberality, and trust that their interest in the mission will not only continue, but increase.

It is the opinion of the board that it is desirable shortly to set apart our brother to the work of an evangelist among the French. We believe that it would fit him for the more efficient performance of his work.

In conclusion your board would earnestly commend the mission to the prayers and sympathies of the churches, believing that an abundant harvest will yet be reaped if we in our exertions and prayers "faint not".

HENRY ANGELL, *Secretary.*

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REPORT ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Your Board have no extensive or very marked missionary operations to report, as having been carried on during the year. Our work has been very limited, considering the amount of means at the disposal of the Board. But our great difficulty in the way of accomplishing more has been, as in the former year, a scarcity of men to occupy missionary ground. Few of our ministers are in the position to accept of missionary appointments, or, having done so, are able to perform them. The pastors can in most cases be with difficulty spared from their flocks, indeed few churches favoured with pastors for any length of time, seem willing to dispense with their stated labours.