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Nothwithstanding the above liberal Contributions which have considerably exceeded those of any former year, the expenditure of the Society has been so large as to heave a balance due to the General Treasurers, amonoting to £7508:55:194.;—a large sum, which might create some uncassives, had not the Committee the utmost confidence that this extended work will not be suffered to want that aid, which shall not only support it on its present scale, but greatly enlarge it into the dominions of darkness and miscry.

For the liberality of the past year, the Committee offer their grateful acknowledgments to the friends of the Society. To the exertions of the Collectors, the Officers of the Auxiliary and Branch Societies, and to those Ministers who have in so many instances exerted themselves to plead the cause of our Lord and Saviour, and to supply the means of sending forth his everiasing gospel, their best thanks are due, and are here rendered. The interests of the Society are again left in their hands, and laid upon their hearts, with all those urgent claims upon their compassion and efforts which have been adverted to. More blessed have they felt it to give than to receive, and like their great Master, they have, through his grace, determined "not to faint, nor be discouraged, till judgment is set in the earth, and the isles shall wait for his law." Many Congregations and Societies have not yet taken their full share in this work but when the appeal is made to them, we doubt not that it will be successful. Every principle acknowledged in the very profession of Christ, forbids as to anticipate the contrary, for can it be that any member of a Christian Society in the full enjoyment of "all the statutes and ordinances of the Lord;" of all the means of " saving health," and consolation and hope; can be indifferent to the condition of so many millions entirely destitute of all these blessings ? and that he should decline to be employed in the work for which his Saviour died and rose again, when in so many ways, Missionary Societies offer to his liberality, his influence, and his efforts, the opportunity of proving the truth of his own Christianity, and, in the highest sense, of blessing his tellow-creatures? It cannot be; and if ministers and people make the trial, they will find in every Circuit hearts to answer the call, when it is once sounded in the ears of the charches, and hands to pour into the common fund a cheerful and a constant charity. those Circuits where Societies have not been formed, are entreased to "come up to our help," and to have confidence in God, and in his people, that they shall not fail to accomplish the formation and support of important Auxiliaries and Branches, which shall attach the religious societies by which they may be conducted more intimately with the general Church of Christ, and bring upon them that special blessing which is promised to faithful and laborious servants.

In conclusion, we commend all our efforts to the blessing of God. In the spirit of prayer and dependence typon him, let every part of this sacred work be conducted, and "by the Word of God, and prayer, it shall be sanctified." Whether we labour in private, or on these high occasions assemble, in public, ever be it remembered by us, that without Him nothing is wise, or strong, or holy. "To Him be glory in the Church throughout all ages." Amen.