

them in connection with the Darjeeling Mission—where direct dealing with souls for the Saviour, on the part both of our devoted missionary and his catechists, following on certain providential visitations, appears to have been owned in numerous genuine conversions to the living God.

At Blantyre, in *East Africa*, the enterprise has been remarkably prospered. We employ one ordained, one medical, and five industrial and evangelistic agents, together with a female teacher. Houses have been built, gardens laid out, roads made, water provided, fields cultivated, and 300 to 400 natives have settled in villages on our property. The means of grace are made available to these, and to others beyond, in their own tongue, on Sabbath and week-day. Sixty children attend daily school; the advanced read the New Testament; and sewing is taught to the girls. The situation has proved singularly salubrious; and our pioneer, Mr. Henry Henderson, has been sent to select a second site for a Branch Mission, and to aid in the development of legitimate commerce. Already a severe blow has been inflicted on the slave trade by means of this and the sister Mission at Lake Nyassa; and the Lord is encouraging us to maintain and extend the work, while we wait upon Himself alone to bless it to the supreme end of lifting up into the privileges of His adopted children the long degraded inhabitants of that dark continent.

Our latest undertaking to *China* is only in its infancy; but hitherto hath the Lord helped us. The Rev. Mr. Cockburn, with Dr. McFarlane and Messrs. Patton and Wood, are full of labours at Ichang. It is hard to master the language; but they make steady progress. Meanwhile, Scriptures are sold, conversations are held, the sick who come to the dispensary are directed to the great Physician, and we hear of several hopeful, anxious inquirers.

The entire annual outlay is about £13,000; and there is now less in reserve than a single year's expenditure.

This is the jubilee year of the Scheme for the Propagation of the Gospel in foreign parts. In the autumn of 1829 our national Zion sent forth her first missionary to India. Looking back at the commencement of the work, and recalling its almost total interruption in 1843, we bless the Lord and take courage for further effort. But it may well be asked, Who is in earnest in this matter? Is the Church of Scotland seriously endeavouring to fulfil the great commission of the Master according to her ability and opportunities? Ought there not to be far more general and more generous giving to this cause? a great increase of prayer, and of liberality, and of personal consecration? Millions are perishing for lack of that which we possess. Is it not our duty to spend our means and our lives to take to them what has blessed us, that we may be clear from the blood of all men, and may by all means save some? Sympathy with our race and love to our God alike demand it, and the example of our crucified Redeemer points us to the path. The harvest waits: it is truly plenteous. Who will go and bring in the golden sheaves? Should we not make haste to reap while the light lasts?

BURNERS.

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A very warm-hearted friend of ours often speaks with much fervor in the prayer-meeting, and this is his favorite text, "Brethren, let your light so shine that men may glorify your Saviour." He is neither a dark lantern nor a silent partner in the church himself, and so he is warranted in exhorting his brethren. His exhortations would amount to nothing if his daily life contradicted his lips. Christians must never forget that they

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