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it unnecessary to dwell. The signs of the times are, in themselves sufficiently alarming. But the success, which, under the blessing of Frovidence, has for more than a century attended the labour of the Society in the sacred cause, gives them the assurance that now, in the hour of peril, their appeal to the attention of the public will not be made in vain

"Without a general co-operation, Lowever, of the friends of Christianity, the exertions of the Sourty, as a collective body will be productive of a comparatively confined and partial benefit. Upon their own part, the Society have not been inactive. Directing their attention in the first instance to the religious works already on their list, they have published in the most popular form, and at very reduced prices, such as appeared to them best colculated to check the growth of irreli grion. The extraordinary demand for these Tracts which may be anticipated, joined to the reduction of prices which has taken place. will, of necessity, be attended with much additional expense.; This expense, however, the Society (although their revenue has not in general exceeded the calls which have been made upon them) are anxious to meet out of their ordinary funds.

" But as the forms which Infidelity has now assumed are novel, and the Society have also peculiar, thought it necessary to vary in some degree, their ordinary modes of ope-A Committee has therefore ration. been appointed for the 'special purpose of searching for other Tracts, not at present on the Society's List, of opening new channels for distribution, and of circulating, at the lowest prices, such other Tracts and Papers, as may be called forth by the occasion, and may appear to them best suited to the exigency of the moment. And it is proposed by the means of this Committee, to extend to the public at large, those advantages of purchase and distribution

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which have hitherto been confined to the M mbers of the Society, and every facility will be afforded by the Committee in London, and by the Diocesau and District Committees in the country, to all those pious and well-disposed persons, whether Members of the Society or not, who may be desirous of giving to these Tracts that effective circulation, which it is the especial object of the Society to obtain. In order to catry into effect i these extended operations, the Society have already appropriated the sum of £1000 from their general fund to this specific object. And they look confidently to the friends of Chastanity for such cordial and zealous aid, as may enable them to give the fullest effect to their endeavours. They trust, that they shall be assisted by the powerful and the active in the diffusion of these salutary publications, through all parts of the country; and that, in every place where the Word of God shall be assailed, the weapons also of defence may be at hand, to repel the attacks of the Blasphemer. They trust that, from the pious and the wealthy, they shall find that liberal assistance, which such extensive measures will require; and that, while they are engaged in the anxious defence of all that is sacred, and dear to Christians, their exertions will not be allowed to languish, for the want of due cooperation and support."

- The undermentioned Tracts which are already on the Society's Catalogue, have been reduced in price as follows:
- Leslie's short and easy Method with s. d. the Deists 8 Leshe's Truth of Christianity demonstrated 8 Bishop Porteus's Evidences of the Truth of Christianity, bound 6. Ditto, half-bound 4 Bishop Horne's Letter to Adam Smith 0 Ih Bishop Watson's Apology for the Bible o 6 **Bishop Gibson's three Pastoral Letters** on infidelity, 3d each, or together Lord Lyttleton's Observations on the C inversion of St. Paul Bin - Sherlock's Trial of the Wit-