

perfect gift" descends) yet would we affectionately call the attention of our constituents and successors in office to the solemn fact, that the degree of spiritual good effected, seems inadequate to the quantity of truth diffused through your means. This is not introduced to discourage, but to stimulate all to renewed energy. This view of our work ought to induce in us, the exercise of fervent supplication for the Holy Spirit's influence, that the seed sown may receive a blessing, and produce an abundant harvest to the glory of God.

As Satan has his innumerable emissaries and allies well organized and active in every place; as the abettors of error and superstition are propagating delusion and death; as the devotees of vice are spreading pollution among society; and, as the partisans of a dark, cheerless and obscene infidelity are scattering their publications, and sending forth a periodical embodying their views, and urging the adoption of their iniquitous practices;—which periodical (incredible as it may seem) has reached a circulation of 65,385 copies, the annual value amounting to £85,000 10s. sterling, or £26,033 17s. 6d. more than the total proceeds of our Parent Society:—as these things exist, it becomes us, as the friends of truth, essential and saving truth, to unite with those at home and abroad, as "a chosen consecrated band," valiant for the truth, and to contend "earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints."

Believing the Tract Society to be opposed to every thing anti-Christian both in its principles and practice—to every thing exclusive, sectarian, and bigoted;—but knowing that it is catholic in its constitution, holy in its aims, and innocent in its instrumentality, let us rally round its standard, and sieze its weapons for the defence of "pure and undefiled religion." And if we thus maintain the truth, "God, even our own God, shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear him."