

At our meeting in 1859, I reported that the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts had granted £100 sterling per annum, to aid in the support of missionaries in the diocese; this grant was to terminate at the end of three years. I then expressed the hope that, when the real state of the country was known to that benevolent society, which has for so long a time liberally contributed to the support of the church in Canada, the grant would not only be extended but enlarged. The event has proved that I did not calculate rashly on the good feeling of our brethren, for since that time the grant has been continued and twice increased. I lately received a letter from the Secretary of that society, in reply to an application which I had made for an additional grant, stating that the society had decided to increase the grant to £1,200 sterling per annum, and to continue it for two years and a-half from 1st July next. I would here call attention to the conditions which accompany this grant of the society; that before the termination of the grant, "one or more of the following steps shall have been taken by the inhabitants (from local resources), towards the independence of the mission:—1st. The erection in each of a parsonage, with a glebe attached. 2nd. The erection in each of a church. 3rd. The collection and investment of an endowment fund in each mission, equal to half the society's grant, or sufficient to produce an income of £40 per annum." I would also remind the missionaries who are supported in part by this society, that it is required by the society, that every missionary shall send in a quarterly report of his mission, to be forwarded by me to the society. This condition has, in some cases, been overlooked, but I trust that all the missionaries of the society will, for the future, show their appreciation of the liberality which we have experienced, by forwarding to me regular reports each quarter of their proceedings, and of the state of the church in their respective missions.

The venerable Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge still continues to make grants for the building of churches, and, with their assistance, already forty-three churches have been erected in the diocese. This society has also contributed £500 to the fund for the support of a theological college in the diocese.

The Colonial and Continental Church Society has also continued their valuable assistance to us. The agents of this excellent society still carry on the labors amongst the fugitive slaves, and one missionary to the Indians on the river Thames, is mainly supported from their funds.

I have been desirous for some time to add to the number of our missionaries to Indians scattered throughout the diocese, but for want of funds have been unable to do so; I have made several applications for this purpose to societies at home, but the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts alone, has responded to my appeal, by granting £100 per annum towards the salary of the missionary on Walpole Island.

You will see, my reverend brethren, from these statements, that much remains for us to accomplish—that we must not consider ourselves relieved from