

The result then, with regard to the contributions for the present year, as gathered from the foregoing reports, is as follows, viz. :—Missionary Visits, £8 5s. ; Divinity Scholarships, £2 2s. 6d. ; Books and Tracts, £3 18s. 9d. ; Churches and Chapels, £23 ; Aged Clergy Fund, £1 10s. ; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, £9 2s. ; General Purposes, £1508 15s. 7d. ; Total, £1556 13s. 10d.

Here it may safely be affirmed is ample proof that the Society is now prepared to cope with ordinary difficulties, that its holy objects are regarded with increasing interest, and that the cause it has embraced is taking deep root in the confidence and affection of its members. And there is much in those Missionary reports to stir the zeal and to animate the hopes of those who long to see "the Church of the living God," with all its blessings extended to the ignorant and to the destitute.

By reference to the returns of the Missionaries, and comparing them with those of the past year, it will be observed that there is a large increase in the number of public services performed, and in the number of communicants and baptisms, while the Society may observe with astonishment, the enormous labour performed by its Missionaries, and the miles they are compelled to travel in the performance of their duty.

It may at times happen to this Society as it does to individuals—it may have to pass through trials, and meet with discouragements. Were it otherwise—did all things, at all times, go on smoothly and prosper, it might be doubted whether the work were of Him, whose kingdom on the earth ever has been, and ever will be opposed, even to the end.

Such things, so far from tempting any to desert their Master's cause, ought rather to excite to more determined earnestness and zeal. The frailty of man should feel the greater need of heavenly strength. In this way, the Society, as in the case of individuals, under the correction of the Almighty, may become only the more "established, strengthened, and settled." Each of its members, whatever be his calling or his occupation, not only resolved to give of his substance according as God has blessed him, but, what is of really more importance, to show by true holiness of life, the advantage of those blessings this Society would extend to others.

But while the Society claims alike from all its members such support, the time seems to have arrived when it must also take up the call made of old, for more labourers to go