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conscientiously, to find out the poor in their own neighbourhood, (who have the first claim to their benevolence) in order to supply their spiritual need agreeable to the sacred book they would bestow—"freely ye have received, freely give." They rejoice that their efforts are not limited—but that agreeably to one of the rules of their Association, (to aid the foreign operation of the Parent Institution) their views are permitted to stretch forth into distant regions—and there believingly to anticipate, with feelings of unutterable pleasure, the mingled blessings which may be richly showered on thousands of the human family, now bowed down by the hard bondage of sin, of ignorance and superstition—groaning beneath their load of woe—who may yet be emancipated from their spiritual slavery, through the instrumentality of this little association, in sending them the Bible. Should there be any present, who deem their feelings enthusiastic?—your committee would fain demonstrate to such, the scriptural ground of their anticipation. Is not the holy book, we are united to circulate, a proclamation of "Glory to God in the highest and good will to men?"—and does it not declare, that he who styles himself, "the Lord God, merciful and gracious" willeth that "all men shall be saved, and come to the knowledge of the truth"—and that "the maker of all things visible and invisible," hath said "so shall my word be, it shall accomplish that whereunto it is sent—and is it not further proclaimed by the inspired penmen, that the heathen shall be given to him for his inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for his possession; and that from the rising of the sun until the going down of the same, in every place, incense shall be offered to his name, even a pure offering—for I will be exalted among the Heathen, saith the Lord of Hosts." That the abundant blessings of the gospel, are designed to flow unto all nations, is manifest even to human view, by the combined efforts, at the present era, of all Christendom (as instruments in his hand who is omnipotent) to effect this gracious purpose; and yearly the glad tidings are conveyed to us, through that hallowed medium, (the British and Foreign Bible Society's Report) of life and immortality being brought to light, by the further reception of the gospel in Heathen lands. It is true, that mountains rise, and oceans roll between us and these our less favoured brethren, but they are nevertheless our kindred by the ties of human kind—by the sacred bond which unites all who are children of the same heavenly parent;—and by the virtue of that availing sacrifice which flowed as freely for their offences as for ours!—and under this persuasion of universal good-will from Heaven to man, shall we restrain our feelings of compassion, and decline the happiness and the honour of being used as humble instruments in the salvation of our fellow mortals, by refusing to aid in sending them the Bible?—that book of which we ourselves are in possession—and on which our all of happiness depends, not only in this life, but in that which is to come?—our souls shudder at the thought! rather let us devoutly appreciating the mercy tendered us in this divine revelation, evince our gratitude to God, by cheerfully uniting with renewed zeal and activity, our little means and our influence in behalf of a charity, which has for its object, the salvation of all men, in as much as it dispenses to them the Bread of Eternal life—the word of God. To such as have voluntarily come forward as subscribers, or such as when applied to, have readily given in aid of this society—your committee would adopt the language of the Gospel, and say—"you have wrought a good work"—you have cheerfully bestowed according to your ability, and perhaps have forgotten your own benefaction; but it is recorded on high—and for as much as it has sprung from a pure principle, will be "had in everlasting remembrance"—for he who is the God of the Bible, in whose cause you have given, has condescended to have on record, in the same book whose circulation you aid, that he