

for them? Most surely, justice demands it; and the Gospel law requires it. "Even so hath the Lord ORDAINED that they who preach the GOSPEL should live of the GOSPEL." See the passage at length in 1st Corinthians, chap. 9, from the 7th to the 11th verses.

We refer not to this subject as those who complain of, or distrust the goodness or disposition of our Brethren. We have full confidence in you, but we are desirous with yourselves to see the finances of our Church so improved as to fully meet every reasonable and disciplinary call upon them: to effect this requires, not only liberality of feeling, but system, punctuality and attention. Whatever may be our privations or our wants, we may venture to assure you that the VOLUNTARY system alone for the support of the Gospel Ministry is the only one to which we can resort, or which we can countenance; and therefore in no way will we draw from the resources of the State, nor participate in the provisions of the Clergy Reserve Bill, to meet the wants of our Church; whatever others may do in this respect is no rule to us. Secondly; To preserve the purity and simplicity so remarkably conspicuous in dress and manners among the Primitive Methodists, we would affectionately call your attention closely to that excellent compendium of Christian duty embodied in our Book of Discipline, called "The General Rules of our Society," as handed down to us from the venerable Mr. Wesley, whose name and character we all venerate.

Thirdly; Remember, dear Brethren, the Apostolic injunction, "Be ready to every good work." The various religious enterprises of the day—Bible, Tract, Missionary and Sabbath School Societies claim and are most worthy of your co-operation, support and prayers. Be found among the foremost at the various meetings of these Societies. An aggressive warfare must be vigorously maintained against the strong holds of the enemies of our common Christianity until they all come down and the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our God and of his Christ. The great work of Reformation, effected by means of "Temperance Societies," is not among the least of those worthy our notice. Let every Episcopal Methodist at least be known as a thoroughgoing temperance man—an avowed supporter of the total abstinence scheme for the eradication of Intemperance.

We would inform you of our desire to prosecute the Missionary work by means of societies connected with and under the