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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

As the close of the financial year is approaching, we desire to call the attention, especially of those congregations which have not yet contributed to Foreign Missions, to the claims of this important department of the Church's work. A considerable proportion of the congregations of the Church have as yet sent no contribution to the Foreign Mission Fund, and it is more than ordinarily important that it should not be overlooked during the current year.

Last year the income of the Foreign Mission Committee fell considerably short of the expenditure, and a debt of \$1584 had to be reported to the General Assembly. This should at once be wiped out. And the work at Red River having been transferred by the Assembly to the Home Mission, and a reduction of nearly \$1,500 made thereby in the expenditure of the present year, a very ordinary measure of liberality on the part of the Church will enable the Committee to discharge all its liabilities, and even to report to the Assembly a balance on hand. All that is necessary to secure this most desirable result is that every congregation shall send something to the Fund. An average contribution of fifteen cents per communicant over the Church would realize a sum sufficient to meet current expenses, and pay off present liabilities; and surely there are few congregations so poor that they cannot give such a trifle. But if any such there are, let them send what they can, and we have no fear but the offerings of others will rise sufficiently above the average to make up any deficiencies.