

pray, like Hannah, for sons that shall take away our reproach of barrenness, and who shall become the ministers and priests of God.

The Society has always borne a good repute for Christian enterprise and liberality. In the work of Foreign Missions, it has been interested from the first. Among its founders were some acquainted with the American Board at its inception, and who contributed annually and generously to its work. How much has been given to this cause cannot now be ascertained; but probably an estimate of an annual average of \$1,000, for the entire time, would not be too great; while at present it is much higher, amounting last year to nearly, or quite, \$2,500. In the Home Missionary work of this City and Province, the church has borne an active part. As early as 1826, within three years of its own formation, it established the first Mission Sunday School of this region, below the city limits, at the neighborhood known as the "Cross," and a little while after one at the opposite end of the town, in the Tanneries Village. These schools have ever since been maintained, and, for a large portion of the time, have been the only means of Protestant instruction which the children of those districts have enjoyed. Owing to their position, they have never become large; but though comparatively humble, they have done a useful and important work. Other mission enterprises have been established by the church in different quarters, and continued until the special call for their existence