

Making with the proceeds of the Missionary Sermon preached by Mr. ALDER, and devoted to this good cause, the Sum of £463 : 15 : 3½.

The utility of Branch Societies is recognised by your Committee as a combination of the exertions of the benevolent on an efficient and systematic plan for the most desirable object: the conversion of those who are ready to perish for lack of knowledge. They recommend their formation in those places where they are not already established, and beg leave to suggest the propriety of the various Local Committees watching with parental affection and care their respective Institutions. For so large an increase in the receipts of the year which under the divine blessing is greatly attributable to the exertions of Local Societies and their Collectors, your Committee sincerely acknowledge their thanks and offer their congratulations. Nor would they neglect to supplicate Him who has the hearts of all men in his hands, to increase the means of extending the genial influences of a Gospel ministry to the most remote and gloomy situation.

Your Committee regret that the last Annual Report of the Parent Institution is not yet arrived in this Country: it is daily expected. Information has however been received through the medium of the Monthly Missionary Notices, from which we learn that the great cause of evangelizing the world is encouraging and advancing. The number of Wesleyan Missionaries employed on Foreign Stations is—

In Ireland.....	11
Gibraltar.....	1
France.....	5
Ceylon and Peninsular India.....	20 and 5 assistant Missionaries.
The South Seas.....	9
West Africa.....	3
South Africa.....	8 and 1 Assistant.
West-Indies.....	46
Canada.....	9
Newfoundland.....	11 and
These Provinces.....	19
	142
	6 Assistants.

In the Colonies the Work of the Redeemer is gradually progressing under the superintendence of our Brethren. The numbers in our Society are increasing in Nova-Scotia, New-Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island. Many of the back Settlements would be utterly destitute of religious instruction but for the itinerant labours of our Missionaries.

The Methodist Mission in Ireland has been long in operation. The Missionaries preach mostly in the native Irish, and

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