

truth and error. They were not discouraged by seeing lions in the way ; they conjured up no difficulties ; they feared no foes. They sought help from God. They besieged the throne, until they were clothed *with power* ; and thus they went forth to do battle for Christ, and were successful. Under their labours, the barren soil became fruitful ; saints were quickened ; sinners were saved ; and all the interests of the Church revived ; and so it will be to the end. Earnestness, perseverance, faith and prayer, will be more than a match for all the forces of sin. May labourers possessing these qualifications multiply ! They are needed in our day, more more perhaps than in former days. The world needs them ; the Church needs them ; our country needs them ; and as a denomination we need them. We have a great work to do, and we must do it. In the face of a rapidly increasing population, we cannot relax our efforts ; nay, we must rather redouble them. To us, as a people, a dispensation of the Gospel has been committed, and woe to us if we are unfaithful. We therefore need agents whose hearts are all aglow with holy ardour. We continue to receive calls for help from different parts of our work ; and though the number of our agents has been increased, we need more, to respond to those calls. At the time of preparing this Report, we have from new fields pressing requests for additional labourers. Will you assist us in procuring them ? We gratefully acknowledge your help in this direction on former occasions, and now confidently solicit a repetition of that help. God has dealt kindly with you all ; and bountifully with many of you. Minister of your carnal things, to His spiritual things. " Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of thy increase." " Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it," and then the Lord will bless the work of thy hands.

The Parent Society is still pursuing its onward course. From the last Report of its operations, we gather that it has on Home Mission Stations 123 Missionaries, and 8,876 Members. In Australia, besides self-supporting Stations, 30 Missionaries, and 1,911 Members. In New Zealand, 4 Missionaries, and 396 Members. These figures have all been considerably increased since the publication of the Report, in last December. The African Mission is doing well, and the Missionaries have been increased. There are now four employed, and new fields are opening, which will