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it worthily, and enlarge our hearts to meet the need ever arising for the manifestation of our liberality. With pride we note that the number of our nationality needing our help is not large. We observe, from recent returns, that the percentage of poor to the whole population is less in Scotland than in either of the sister kingdoms, being 2·5 per cent. in Scotland, 3·1 in England, and 8·5 in Ireland. Be it ours to meet our needy brethren, who, from various causes, appeal for our aid, and help them to rise to a condition of independence and thrift, and thus follow the noble example of the Elder Brother, assured that they who follow in His steps on earth shall share in His glory in heaven.

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