

physical powers, when disunited from a conscientious knowledge of his social duties, is like the knowledge of evil obtained by sin in Paradise, unaccompanied with the knowledge of good which there tempered the perilous possession. The selfishness of man's nature, renders a fear of God absolutely necessary as a restraint upon the knowledge of man's power, and that fear can only be acquired by means of Christianity, not merely offered to the outward senses, but brought, by the operation of God's Holy Spirit, into the conscience. And therefore your Committee, in looking upon the appalling outbreaks of brute force which (during the present year), have been exhibited by the combination of men bent upon working their own lawless will, acknowledge their responsibility as christians, and their duty as followers of Christ's religion, to promote (as far as in them lies), the spread of those happy, peaceful principles which prevent the human passions from being perverted from their destined uses, and made the instruments of outrage, cruelty, and every demoniacal imagination.

Embarked in that holy enterprise which (under God's blessing), shall bring peace at the last, your Committee regrets that the circumstances of the time in part, and still more, the apathy unhappily existing towards that enterprise among the body of those from whom the support of the work, in pecuniary matters, was to have been expected, have kept the main object of the Society hitherto in abeyance. But it rejoices to observe the favorable reception which the project of establishing a Travelling Missionary in this Island has of late obtained among those staunch friends who have heretofore (by God's grace), prevented the Association from falling to the ground. And your Committee can now indulge the hope, that, an influential motive having been offered to the exercise of liberality among the children of England's Church, a revival of the Society's pecuniary resources may take place, and an interest which of late has been strangely wanting, be felt.

Your Committee feels its right, on behalf of the Church of England, to call upon its members—those who have been baptised under its ordinances, and who have derived the bread of life from their Heavenly Father through its