

sity, when no firm of manufacturers would do work for them, and continuing on principle after discovering such a fruitful source of income.

Thus their net profits in the United Kingdom alone amount to some £14,000 a year, which sum is duly accounted for in the annual balance-sheet issued from their London headquarters.

If the home and foreign mission fields are in fact one, as they are in God's sight, is not the Salvation Army, with its 12,000 officers in 35 different countries, the largest missionary society in the world?

Yours for the King,

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From the British Advocates of Peaceful Arbitration we have received a printed article on "Missionaries and Militarism."

It refers to the article in the June issue of THE MISSIONARY REVIEW, by Dr. Cyrus Hamlin, on the relation of missionaries in foreign lands to their governments, in which he pleads for a more vigorous interference, by the United States Government in particular, on behalf of its missionary subjects abroad, and especially in Turkey.

The circular replies:

"Of course, every one must admit the right of missionaries to full legal protection by the governments of the countries in which they reside. And of course, also, any sufferings occasioned to missionaries by the withholding of such protection, or by their exposure to insult or violence, call for deep and practical sympathy on the part of Christians everywhere.

"But, at the same time, it is increasingly felt in most of the churches of Christ, that those good men who go forth in His name to preach the Gospel to the heathen and to savage tribes, must be prepared to do so at the risk of some sacrifice for their Great Master's sake, and also as feeling that it is specially incumbent upon them to cherish toward the objects of their religious solicitude such a loving and forbearing spirit, that they shall be willing even to endure some measure of suffering themselves, if necessary, rather than

hasten to avail themselves of the interposition of the sword, the bayonet, and the cannon-ball.

"Surely Dr. Hamlin and others of his way of thinking on this question may do well to ponder afresh the grand examples of loving heroism and patient endurance which, to the high honor of their class, Christian missionaries in general have furnished to the Church and to the world. Not only Protestants, such as Livingstone, Moffatt, and Hannington, in our own age, but also many Roman Catholic missionaries, from the time of Francis Xavier and the South American Jesuit pioneers of the Cross, onward to the present day, have most nobly maintained their fidelity to 'the meekness and gentleness of Christ,' even at the risk of life and all that life holds dear.

"The success of Christian missions in Burmah forms the subject of an article in the same issue of THE MISSIONARY REVIEW which contains Dr. Hamlin's paper. But those missions among the Burmese and Karens were founded and carried on with remarkable zeal by such devoted servants of the Most High as Dr. Judson and his excellent wife and by other Christians of a similarly heroic character, who nobly risked all dangers and met all opposition simply with 'the shield of faith' and 'the sword of the Spirit,' feeling that the real progress of the Gospel is to be achieved not by carnal weapons, not by might of battalions, neither by power of armaments, but by the Spirit of Almighty God, given in answer to fervent persevering prayer in the name of Christ.

"Yet feeling, as we all must do, the weakness of the flesh, we must not judge harshly of those who, like Dr. Hamlin, plead for the interposition of armed force to secure to them the common rights of civilized men. But, at the same time, it is not presumptuous to remind such good missionaries that their specially high position and profession, as heroic pioneers in the onward march of the Gospel of the Prince of Peace throughout the nations of the earth, is popularly and reasonably felt to impose upon them a more exalted standard of loving fortitude than that which may be looked for among men of a lower profession of faith, or of no faith at all. The most splendid victories of the Cross have ever been those of patient charity toward the souls of men, and of devoted consistency with the example and character of the long-suffering Saviour of the world, as clearly distinct and separate from all horrors