

Your Committee have not sought to increase the number of your beneficiaries, from want of means. The small sum of £60, being part of the money collected in England, has been appropriated to this object, as best meeting the intention of the donors. Beyond this sum, however, they have received few contributions ; and they have judged it best to employ this amount in giving a more effective education to a few youths, than to dissipate it in affording inadequate assistance to many. Out of this small sum, your Committee have hitherto given all the direct aid which the society has bestowed ; of course its amount is now greatly diminished ; and as yet they see no prospect of the speedy enlargement of the fund. They feel it therefore their duty to address their constituents and the public on this subject, in the most distinct and earnest manner.

Is it, they would ask, the intention of the society, and of the denomination, that assistance to beneficiaries should cease ? Is it their wish, that such pious youths as commencing their education with a determination to complete such a course of study as might make them, with the blessing of the Holy Spirit, competent to most of the services which the Church demands, should be under the necessity of stopping short in the midst of their course, and give up their hopes, and blight the anticipations of "Zion," because a few pounds are deficient from the amount needed to carry them through ?

Do they mean to say, "let us labour to establish an excellent seminary for the benefit of all other sorts of persons, all other offices in life, all other denominations of christians ; let us bestow much time and labour, and money, to accomplish this object ; but let us not advance a little more, to enable the cause of God to derive from it direct and immediate benefit amongst our own people, to provide for our own posterity a nursery for gifted and pious ministers of the gospel of Christ ?"

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