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TO THE

GENTLEMEN FORMING THE COMMITTEE,

AND

THE FRIENDS IN GENERAL,

OF THAT VALUABLE INSTITUTION,

THE HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

THE FOLLOWING PAGES

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ANY individual who has felt the value of his own soul, and been made to participate in the blessings of salvation, will require no additional argument to induce him to take a lively interest in whatever is likely to promote the eternal welfare of others. "Knowing the terrors of the Lord, he will endeavour to persuade men:" and, constrained by the love of Christ, he will prove that difficulties and opposition will rather stimulate his energy than paralyze his exertions. In the present day, every thing that can excite and invigorate all genuine Philanthropists, or those who feel deeply concerned on account of the moral degradation of human nature, is presented in the cheering prospect increasing before them of the renovation of the WORLD, by the diffusion of the Gospel of Christ.

PREFACE.

Among the numerous improvements in the science of modern charity, the Author of this Work regards as of the very first importance the increased concern which is evidently prevailing for the moral and religious advancement of our country. As we are called a Christian nation, it should be the concern of every believer in Divine Revelation that we may soon become a NATION OF CHRISTIANS. And as God accomplishes his gracious purposes by means, both in their nature and number, suitably proportioned to his designs; we, in the belief of this, should deem ourselves summoned to combine our influence with the exertions of the myriads who are actually engaged in promoting the glory of the Redeemer, and the eternal welfare of souls.

The facts adduced in this volume have not been collected to gratify curiosity, or to obtain pecuniary help for public institutions, but to illustrate the power and riches of Divine grace, to shew the transforming influence of the Gospel, to warn the young against some of the evils