

From the Protestant.

*Jackson and the Missionaries.*—The American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions appealed to the President of the United States in behalf of the imprisoned Missionaries, praying that he would execute the judgment of the Supreme Court and rescue them from the Penitentiary. The following is Gen. Jackson's reply.

“Gentlemen,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your memorial, stating that certain Missionaries in the State of Georgia have been imprisoned for alleged offences against that state, and requesting my interference in furthering their release.

In reply, I have to inform you, that the power vested in me has been placed in my hands for the purpose of seeing the laws of the United States just and impartially administered, and not for the purpose of abusing them, as I most assuredly should do were I to interpose my authority in the case brought before me in your memorial. The state of Georgia is governed by its own laws, and if any injustice has been, or is committed, there are competent tribunals at which redress can be obtained without any appeal to me. I do not wish to comment upon the causes of the imprisonment of the Missionaries, alluded to in the memorial; but I cannot refrain from observing that here, as in most other countries, they are by their injudicious zeal, (to give it no harsher name,) too apt to make themselves obnoxious to those among whom they are located.

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