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**C I R C U L A R .**

*Missionary Rooms, Boston, Sept. 9, 1836.*

MY DEAR SIR:

At a meeting of the Prudential Committee of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, held at the Missionary Rooms yesterday, the Treasurer made an exposition of the state of the funds of the Board, from which it appeared, that without a greater increase of receipts into the Treasury, than can be safely anticipated for some months to come, the Board will not have the means of sending out at the time proposed those missionaries who have been appointed, with the expectation that they would go forth this fall or early in the winter—

Whereupon, the Committee directed that a circular be written to the missionaries referred to above, informing them of these facts, and advising them to suspend for the present their preparations for embarking, and of course not to draw upon the Treasury for outfit, and to make their arrangements for remaining some months longer in this country.

The Committee are very desirous you should go forth with the least possible delay, and every effort will be made to provide the necessary funds as soon as possible.

If these efforts should be successful sooner than is now expected, so that your departure may not be so long delayed, you will have early notice of that fact. Meantime you will, it is hoped, employ yourself in a manner useful to the cause, and creditable to the missionary character, and without expense to the Board. This delay is perhaps intended to try and improve your qualifications for the work to which you have been appointed, and thus to cause you to exert a happier influence on the circle of Christian friends with which you are now associated, and to be more useful when you go out to your field of labor among the heathen. Your matrimonial engagements ought, in no ordinary case, to be consummated until the time of your embarkation is fixed, and has very nearly arrived.

The Lord bless and guide you, and cause the trials and disappointments you may meet with on your way to the field of missionary labor, to promote your good and his glory.

*Mr A. Wilcox*  
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Affectionately yours,

*Wm J Armstrong*  
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