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of Jesus Christ; to go forth armed with the sword of the Spirit, the shield of faith, and the breastplate of righteousness, to attack the strong holds of the prince of darkness in the hearts of the poor benighted heathen.

I am turned 40 years of age, — single — my employment has been chiefly as Clerk, in London — I have however served as Captains Clerk for some time on board an English Man of War. Annexed you have a copy of Captain Legges (now Admiral) Certificate of my conduct while I was in that service.

I also subjoin the firm of the house I served 8 years — immediately previous to my going to sea: as well as that of the house I last lived in, in town — I was born ^{near} and brought up at, Barnsley in Yorkshire — I take the liberty of mentioning those particulars in order that enquiry may be made, if you think proper — If you are in want of labourers to go forth into the missionary harvest field, and from what I have written, you may wish an interview — a few words by the two penny post will command one — And if your Committee approve of, and "send me", I will put my life in my hand, and go wheresoever, or in whatsoever capacity their wisdom may direct. — If I might be permitted to choose in any thing, it would be, to go in company with, and under the control of one, superior to myself in experience, wisdom and learning; for no doubt many will enrol themselves to go on this glorious errand, who have received many advantages in point of education &c. which I have not, but I am willing and anxious to learn, and to do any thing within the compass of my ability, with the good hand of my God upon me, to lengthen the cords, and strengthen the