

**Westmoreland Building Society.**

*To the Editor of the Gleaner,*

Sir,—You were good enough to publish some weeks ago a letter I sent you on the subject of a libellous article which appeared in the "Nineteenth Century" newspaper at Montego Bay, against the Director of this Society.

On our issuing an action for libel against the Editor he has agreed to give up the name of his correspondent; to pay all expenses in the action to date, and to publish an apology; and on these terms we have agreed to stop the action.

The author of this libel, which has occasioned so much alarm among our 550 shareholders, and given so much trouble to me, proves to be an old man in an adjoining parish, whose age seems to fail in teaching him discretion, and whom the Directors have no wish further to expose; but who never had a sixpence invested in the society, and who could not have the least knowledge of its affairs.

The society has attained much larger dimensions than was anticipated when I established it 14 years ago, and this appears to have excited the jealousy of a few outsiders, who are constantly trying to spread false reports about it. It is not possible that we can have any discontented investors, because if they were discontented they would draw their money out.

So long as we can give 6 per cent on deposit at call for paid up shares, and a bonus of four guineas on matured shares, besides keeping a safe reserve in hand, I have no doubt we shall always have as much money as we want.

With thanks for your courtesy in again allowing me the use of your columns.

I remain, Sir,

Yours truly,

**HENRY CLARKE,**  
Chairman.

Sav-la-Mar, 21st. Oct.; 1887.