

Scotland charges already mentioned, shall seek connection with the Presbytery, with the hearty concurrence of the mother church, to which Presbyterianism in British Columbia, owes so much of its present prosperous condition and bright future prospects.

It may be stated that this hurried sketch was prepared with the practical design of deepening the interest of the readers of the COLLEGE JOURNAL in this new, remote but very important Province. With a delightful climate, rich in undeveloped resources, of field, mine and forest, and most valuable fisheries, there is every reason to expect, that in the near future, it will occupy a foremost position among the Provinces of the Dominion. It is then of the first importance that church extension should, in the future to a greater extent than in the past, keep pace with that of settlement. The opening of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the establishment of a steamship line to Japan and China, make British Columbia the meeting place of Eastern and Western civilization. In the centres of population, and scattered all over the Province are found thousands of Chinese, besides a large population of Indians of a high grade of intelligence and, as a result of missionary effort, producing a high type of Christian character, for whom our church has yet done nothing. It may with confidence be stated that no place, at home or abroad, can present a more inviting field for missionary effort either in home or heathen evangelization. For many years British Columbia must be dependant upon the colleges of the Eastern Provinces for a supply of ministers and missionaries. It is not therefore too much to expect, on the part of those who are now striving to lay the foundations of Presbyterianism in this new country, that not a few of the students and *alumni* of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, will respond to the Macedonian call from British Columbia—"Come over and help us," thus aiding in realizing the wise and benevolent plans of thirty years ago.

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