

field than any other people in the province. How is it therefore that we are thus behind in this all-important work? Let us consider how much responsibility rests upon us in this department of our duty."

"As we profess to advocate the "primitive gospel" which "is the power of God unto salvation," why are we not more earnest about it, when the salvation of all men depends on their acceptance of the gospel of Christ which they cannot hear without a preacher: why not send them forth to preach the gospel? In this Province of Canada West there are over a million of inhabitants; of these there may be 2000 "Disciples;" or one for every 500 of the entire population of the Province: are we therefore in any way accountable for their eternal salvation? Is it sufficient for the 2000 Disciples of Canada that they send one or two labourers occasionally into the field. Truly the followers of Christ do not consider the example which their Leader has left, else things would not be in this state."

"Is it not a startling announcement to the Disciples of Canada, that we have only two or three evangelists sent out to publish the gospel to 1,000,000 human beings. Thus it would take six evangelists, (with an audience of about 350 each time) one year before they could preach one sermon to each grown up person (allowing them to preach one sermon each day.) Brethren, what does this say?"

"What therefore is wanting? Is it the means to support evangelists? No. Is it scarcity of labourers? There are several brethren in Canada who are able and talented enough for the work, and they ought also to be willing, if the brotherhood would furnish them with the means of support. The fault therefore lies with the entire brotherhood of Disciples. We ought to awaken to our duty. Let us think of the great price which it cost to redeem man; and then, let us ask what are we doing towards offering this salvation to men. I might venture to say that there are among us individual brethren, half-a-dozen of which might do as much toward the spread of the gospel, as the entire brotherhood of Disciples are now doing. It is therefore a subject which every Disciple of Christ ought to ponder, and see whether he is learning of his Master in this matter."

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There are in Canada 74 Congregational churches, 65 ministers, 2,805 communicants; amount contributed last year, for religious and missionary objects, £8,492.