

out with great force by Mr. Strong. As we listen to the tragic ending of the great man's life, our hearts are filled with sadness,—sadness, however, which gives place to a grander and nobler emotion, and a deep feeling of triumph and joy creeps over us as we remember in whose path Patteson was treading, and trust that to him, too, was revealed the vision of the heavens cleft in twain and the glorified Saviour gazing down with a look of unutterable love and compassionate approval.

Mr. Wm. S. Bernard, of the Theological Seminary of Virginia, then read his paper on "The Relation of the Home Ministry to the Foreign Field." He dealt with the obligation of the Church, the apathy in the Church, and the cause of that apathy, and he concluded by admonishing his hearers to be high churchmen, low churchmen, churchmen of whatever shade and degree they pleased, but above all to be missionary churchmen, for there lay the great present need of the Church.

The reading of the fourth paper of the day on "Associate Missions" by Mr. Charles Herbert Young, of the General Theological Seminary, New York, was postponed until the afternoon session. He advocated the formation of "associate missions" to meet the wants more especially of the artisan class. Such a mission would consist of a small body of priests and deacons with the bishop at their head, and this last point he considered to be an essential factor for the success of the scheme. He hoped that in this way a higher spiritual life might be attained too by the clergy who formed the mission, and that large parishes might be more thoroughly and more practically worked by them than by isolated clergymen. This paper aroused some lively discussion, and, as far as we could judge, the opinion of the majority of the delegates seemed to disfavor the idea except as far as foreign missions were concerned. In the case of the latter, however, such an association would obviate the hardship of solitude, and hence, it was thought, would be a great boon to those engaged in them.

The scope of such a paper as this is at best but a limited one, but we cannot lay it aside without noticing briefly the closing addresses of the conference. We were especially fortunate in having with us the Lord Bishop of Athabasca as a great representative of our own missionaries, and he was listened to with great interest and pleasure. He was followed by the Rev. John Ker, D.D., rector of Grace Church, who delivered a stirring address on "The Great Cause." Perhaps, however, no one during the Convention arrested the attention of his hearers more completely than the Rev. Percy Browne, of Boston, who spoke on "The New Motive for Foreign Missions." Interesting in the extreme as this address was, we find that our paper is already over long, and we must therefore rest content with giving it this unsatisfactorily brief notice.