

on the gaming table, while the gamblers arrested their play to listen to the sermon — in all of which, while Jesus and the resurrection were preached, there were signs that the world commended itself to every man's conscience. On one occasion, while preaching in the street, such crowds of miners gathered around him that the Anglican Bishop, who happened to be there, complained that his congregation could not get through the crowd. He had met instances of truth and generosity, in cases where all outward appearances were most forbidding. Often when preaching in scenes of wretchedness and sin, where the people seemed wholly given to wickedness, he had witnessed inspiring displays of God's power. It was among the most pleasing remembrances of his life, that in that land he had been permitted to minister to the comfort of dying Canadian boys, far from home and friends, and cheer their last moments with words of hope. Several instances were mentioned of Indians converted to God, and then working faithfully to promote the salvation of others.

Mr. Ferrier being compelled to leave, John Macdonald, Esq., took the chair. The resolution was then put, and unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was then moved by Wm. Clendinneng, Esq., of Montreal: — "That the past year's history is fraught with encouraging tokens of the presence of the Great Head of the Church, upon the Missionaries and their respective charges, confirming us in our consciousness of duty, to spread the benefits of a pure Christianity widely around us, and strengthening our conviction that the gospel is the only efficient remedy for the world's miseries."

Mr. Clendinneng said he would offer one or two remarks on the resolution. When we look at the earlier stages of our Mission work, and compare them with its present efficiency, we might well say "What hath God wrought?" How many precious souls had been brought from darkness unto light by the labors of this Society! It was impossible to gather up all these results in this world. Only in eternity could the full extent of the work be known. The resolution referred to the

spread of a pure Christianity. What a mercy that from every Methodist pulpit in the land a pure gospel was preached! Methodist ministers, to their honor be it said, still stood by the Old Book, the old paths, and the old principles. He could testify from personal observation to the faithful and self-denying labors of the agents of this Society. We ought to esteem them more highly, and pray more for them. They needed and deserved our sympathy and prayers. He could not but feel that the spreading of a pure gospel throughout the world should be the great work of our lives. The gospel of Christ was the only hope of the world. All modern discovery had brought nothing to light to meet the wants of sinful men. Even in our own country there were thousands of families where the name of Christ was never heard, but in blasphemy. Surely this fact should excite our sympathies. He liked Mr. Browning's idea, that Canada should be made a base of Missionary operations to China and Japan. We should urge on our work,

"Till earth's remotest nation
Has learned Messiah's name."

The Rev. JAMES ELLIOTT, ex-President, seconded the resolution. He rejoiced that at this anniversary there was no dark shade in the picture; all was bright and hopeful. He also rejoiced to see the representative men of Methodism present to-night. As there were others to speak whom the audience were anxious to hear, he would, without further remark, second the resolution. The resolution was then put and unanimously carried.

A. W. LAUDER, Esq., of Toronto, M.P.P. for Grey, moved the next resolution:

"That whilst grateful for past success, in full reliance upon Divine aid, this meeting would strongly recommend such a review of the older Domestic Missions, as may be productive of a large increase from the ordinary local resources, for the maintenance of the ministry, and thereby liberate the funds of the Society for still further extension of the work of God to new and destitute settlements, and among Pagan tribes."

He said that the resolution simply meant that the older Missions must