

to God, our means will be cheerfully and liberally contributed, and no sacrifice will be thought too great in carrying on the Master's work. The emotions of our hearts will find appropriate expression in the familiar and beautiful words,—

"Were all the realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all."

In fine, we have need to offer constant and fervent prayer to our God that the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit may be graciously vouchsafed unto us. Enlightened and animated by that indwelling Spirit we shall form correct ideas of the character and magnitude of the work in which we are engaged, we shall have a just appreciation of the priceless value of immortal souls, and, above all, we shall have a sincere desire for the universal reign of our risen and glorified Lord. Under such influences no church can be unsuccessful, no pastor can labor in vain. The theme suggested for our Association by our esteemed brother in Christ, Deacon Samuel Brown, may well be adopted by each of the churches as a fitting and precious motto;—"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."