

which was thrillingly adapted to our present mournful circumstances,—

‘ Here we suffer grief and pain,  
Here we meet to part again,  
In heaven we part no more.’

The lines were taken up presently by the whole assemblage, and several times repeated with the chorus,—

‘ O, that will be joyful, joyful, joyful,  
When we meet to part no more.’

The effect was overwhelming. The memory of the few pleasant hours spent with the deceased at our meeting on his outward voyage—the cherished hope of another happy meeting so suddenly crushed and blighted—the grief and pain and distress of the preceding forty-eight hours—all rushed back at once on my mind, and, together with the asso-

ciations awakened by the sight of the tombs a little before us, produced feelings which would not and could not be controlled.

“ We came in view of the open grave, some of us weeping over the memory of the past, and some singing of the joys of meeting to part no more ; and, with mingled feelings of joy and sorrow—*sorrow* for ourselves and the bereaved friends at home—*joy* at the thought of the glory and felicity the dear departed one had attained—we committed all that was mortal of our honoured friend to the tomb, trusting that, when the time of our change should come,

“ We, too, our willing heads should bow,  
We, too, the prize obtain.’”

### THE WESLEYAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Since our last the *Watchman* has brought an ample report of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Wesleyan Missionary Society held in Exeter Hall, which on several accounts possesses unusual interest. The spacious edifice was “crowded in every part.” The Chairman, the Hon. A. T. Kinnaird, M. P., a distinguished member of another Church, shewed a spirit and an acquaintanceship with Christian Missions most admirable ; the speakers were well chosen, and their addresses fraught with sentiments and facts deserving preservation and a frequent reference ; and for six hours there was no flagging in the fine, generous, enthusiastic feeling of the immense audience. We have not space for the comprehensive Report, which occupied an hour in reading, certainly not for the numerous speeches, which merit a first place in any fair account of the May Meetings. And what is best of all, every thing was indicative of a deepening Missionary feeling in the friends of the Society,—of a firmer confidence in its principles, and a stronger sense of its obligations and accountability, to God. The Breakfast Meeting for China was very important and harmonious. The loyalty of those friends must be of a good stamina for such a display of attachment ere the “Reform” tornado, which has been sweeping over British Methodism, has entirely subsided ; and the management of its Missions must have been confided to a Secretariat and a Committee sagacious, intrepid, and faithful.

We rejoice that the income was £119,205 last year, and that there is such an appreciation of the ability and willingness of its supporters, the Society is now attempting an income of £150,000. We are glad that the venerated Dr. Bunting was again able to favour the Annual Meeting with his presence, and that his own lips announced the fact, that in former times it was considered a proof of “impudence” for him to propose that £50,000 should be raised ; and now from the platform of Exeter Hall his advice is, “Be impudent enough to aim at great things ; by the blessing of God expect great things.”

It is gratifying to learn that the Foreign Auxiliaries raised £25,720 ; that the Juvenile Offerings amounted to £6,688 ; and especially gratifying that Canada contributed more than £10,000 sterling,—a large amount, but