

would be called fanatics; but he would like to see such a spirit displayed, an anxiety to invest in this great work that yields such rich returns. There was a good deal said about the greatness of the Church. The Church was not half as great as it ought to be, or as it must and will be. A man had, a short time ago, asked him his idea of the millenium and when that period would arrive. He told him that he never thought much about it; but that, perhaps, when the English language would be the only language spoken, and every person was a Methodist, when the knowledge of the Lord should cover the earth as the waters do the sea, the millenium would come.

He had long had a desire to look in at St. John, and was glad of the privilege. He gave expression of his pleasure and thanks for the hospitable manner in which he had been received. He spoke of the relative amounts raised by the New Brunswick and London Conferences, and offered a challenge for their acceptance, that if they would raise one-third more in New Brunswick than last year, he would promise that in the London Conference they would do the same.

He then alluded to the wonderful growth of the Missionary cause. How that 100 years ago, the idea of the conversion of the Indian was never thought of, and how that, not many years ago, an Indian was put out of a Church in Canada merely because he was an Indian. Religion has done a great deal for the Indian. We, in civilized countries, draw out all the culture of the past, while the Indian has but the advantages of the present.

The world all over is moving towards the right in consequence of this Missionary work. But in order that this work be successful there must be great faith exercised and individual consecration. Christ had faith in the regeneration of all men, He looked at men in their worst, too, and unless we can look in the same faith and hope of their regeneration we had better give up our organizations, as we have no right to exist except in the spirit of Christ. There is no use offering the prayer "Thy Kingdom come," unless we believe the earth is to be restored. The restoration and redemption of mankind was God's purpose before He put it in the Gospel. This restoration is to be through our aid and our instrumentality. In the creation God worked alone. In the redemption He takes us to help Him. There is a great glow and satisfaction comes over a person when he knows that he is carrying out the purpose of the Divine mind.

He then related an incident of a poor fellow whom he saw lying drunk on the side of the road once. He was recognized by the drunken man, who said he was ashamed he was seen. Mr. Williams replied that he was ashamed too, and spoke to him of his evil course. The man asked him if he thought God would have mercy on him. He told him He would, and asked him to sign a pledge which he (Mr. Williams) always carried with him, but he said he could not keep it. Being induced to take it, he was always enabled to resist temptation by prayer, believing that God would give him strength. We want to pray in a believing spirit for the Holy Ghost until we feel that we have it, and have hold of God. The Divine presence must be with us, and there must be consecrated endeavour. The Church has given money and blood. Noble men have been raised up and stricken down; the Scriptures have been translated into various languages, but the Church has never yet given itself.

The resolution was seconded by JOHN MACDONALD, Esq., M.P., who referred in touching terms to his last visit to St. John, when he stood on that