

the gift of several kind well-wishers to Methodism. The entire Pacific undertaking is financially serious, and Canadian contributors have greatly increased responsibilities to bear; but such an act, and an impromptu subscription for the convenience of Mr. Robson, opportunely shew the good will of the generous men of the mines, —and the Society thanks them. The sublimest principle of the Wesleyan economy is here developed—*Seek and save the lost.*

Another letter, on various business, from the Chairman, conveys the very gratifying intelligence, that in Victoria, where the obtaining of a site without purchase was doubtful, three lots joining each other have been handsomely granted by the Hon. Hudson's Bay Company in a most eligible locality on an avenue, suitable for a church, parsonage and garden,—very valuable; and only two or three days before this information was received, a lady in Eastern Canada sent to the Mission House in Toronto £50 for a Wesleyan Church at Victoria. God's hand is in this Mission, and Dr. Evans writes for *three more Missionaries* at least, and presses their *immediate* coming; and as volunteers for this remote service await the will of the Conference, there seems no obstacle to an immediate multiplication of British Columbia labourers but an inadequacy of funds, and the just requirements of other valued Missions.

These prized communications, like others, describe with pungent feeling the condition of the Aborigines, and there is now needed a Peter Jones for the Indian tribes, and a Piercy for the Chinese, and a man of Joseph Wolff's spirit for the Germans and Jews, in this immense, auriferous, and too unchristianized British region. At no period in the progress of the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Canada were her obligations to evangelistic duty so weighty, nor her reward for prompt self-sacrifice and munificence so visible, remunerative, and alluring.

*Extract from the Journal of the Rev. Ephraim Evans, D. D.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2nd, 1859.—Left Victoria at 6 A. M., on steamer *Beaver*, Capt. Sinclair, belonging to the Hudson's Bay Company, accompanied by Rev. E. Robson, and Mr. J. T. Pidwell, Class-leader at Victoria. My design is, by the blessing of God, to proceed by the *Beaver* to Fort Langley, and thence by a steamer of light draught to Fort Hope and Fort Yale, for the purpose of getting information and making my own observations on the state of the country, as regards present population, and prospect of future settlement, as also to select suitable sites for Churches, Parsonages, &c., at the points which are likely to become centres of operation. I hope to find opportunities for Mr.

Robson and myself to preach the word of life, from time to time, to the miners and others who have been for some months in the country without the means of grace, and to leave him to labour among them.

Found the steamer crowded with deck-passengers, chiefly miners, a heterogeneous mixture of English, Scotch, Irish, British Colonists, Americans, Germans, French, and Italians, with a considerable proportion of Jews, from various countries, engaged in multifarious forms of traffic. Among the cabin-passengers were His Excellency Lieut.-Governor Moody, and suite proceeding to make arrangements for the immediate survey of the new seat of