

or excuse for war between nation and nation, may vanish from the whole earth, at once and forever.

Providing this project meets with popular favour, (as it doubtless will; if properly taken up, and advocated, as it should be,) there is no good reason whatever why a considerable portion of Palestine shouldn't be surveyed for roads and settlement next Autumn and Winter; and according as the work progresses, we may be quite sure that the agitation will go on proportionately, and the numbers and wealth of those devoted to the work will doubtless also be increased far beyond what ordinary men could believe possible at present: as foretold so clearly in the last chapter of the book of the prophet Isaiah. "Who hath heard such a thing? Who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? Or shall a nation be born at once? For as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children: Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith the Lord: Shall I cause to bring forth, and close the breasts? saith thy God."—Isaiah, lxvi, 8, 9, etc., and also in the Psalms. "When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing. Then said they among the nations, the Lord hath done great things for them. The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."—Psalm cxxvi, 1-3. When it thus becomes evident that "the Kingdom of God" upon earth (with all its incalculable advantages,) only awaits the manifestation of the very moderate degree of faith requisite to induce a few prominent men to devote a tenth part of their wealth directly for that purpose; why should any intelligent or philanthropic Member of Parliament, or Senator of Canada, in good circumstances, delay one single day about acting in accordance with the earnest invitation of the Almighty to put his faithfulness and truth to the test at this time? as declared by the prophet Malachi, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse \* \* and prove me now herewith saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it."—Malachi, iii, 10.

It is important that the House of Commons, and the Senate of Canada should realize that they are now on their trial before God and man. If there had been "ten righteous men" in Sodom, the whole population of that City would certainly have been rescued from destruction for the sake of the few righteous