

the enlargement of the good work of our God are on the whole encouraging.

The population of your country being rapidly on the increase, we trust that you will endeavour to carry the glad tidings of salvation to the most remote settlers in the forests of Canada. The accounts which we have received from our brethren who have recently visited you, respecting your godly zeal, and the indefatigable manner in which you have already laboured among the new settlers for several years past, give us confidence, that, with the additional assistance which may now be afforded, you will leave no part of the wilderness unexplored, where any families can be found who need your spiritual help.

In all probability, thousands of families will, from year to year, leave our shores, and settle in the colonies of British North America. Some of those emigrants will doubtless be persons of piety; and some of them members of our own society. Such persons will of course seek for continued Christian instruction; and many of them, we hope, will unite with you in Christian fellowship. But thousands will reach your country who are totally careless and unconcerned respecting their eternal welfare. These will not first seek the shepherd; but the lost sheep in the wilderness must *be sought*, or there is reason to fear that many of them will perish.—Pursue, therefore, dear brethren, with renewed ardour, your itinerant labours; and endeavour to reach, not only every considerable settlement, but, if possible, every destitute family, in order to bring the wanderers back to God.

The access which God has given you to the Indian tribes is highly encouraging. Much success has been realized; and we gratefully acknowledge the divine goodness in what has been accomplished. But there are many thousands of Indians on your borders who yet require assistance, and to most of whom our way is graciously made plain. There appear, at present, to be such marked proofs of divine Providence in the openings for usefulness among the Indians, that we trust the set time is come for these wandering tribes to be brought to God.