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CHAPTER I.

INDIAN EVANGELISATION—FEW RECORDS OF WORK DONE—HEROIC EFFORTS — THE PURITANS — BRAINERD — PRESIDENT GRANT'S HUMANE POLICY.

“Gather the harvest in :
The fields are white, and long ago ye heard,
Ringing across the world, the Master's word :
'Leave no such fruitage to the lord of sin ;
Gather the harvest in.' ”

THE question of evangelising the Indian tribes of North America is one that has been more or less prominent before the Christian Churches for many years. In the prosecution of this work some of the noblest of God's heroes have been engaged, some of the greatest hardships and sufferings have been endured, and some of the grandest trophies have been won.

It is to be regretted that Indian missionary biography is so limited. But few are the “abiding records,” in book form, of those men of heroic mould, who have devoted themselves to this department of missionary toil.

While we rejoice that we have the biographies of Eliot, Brainerd, and a few others of the early missionaries, who so nobly toiled, and not in vain, among the swarthy red men of the forest, we cannot but regret that so little has been published of