


"Then shall we know, even as we are known." Ah, yes, this is the theme for Easter, because at the resurrection only shall the promise be fulfilled, "For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him." We shall be satisfied with the pleasures of our Father's house and in His presence shall find fulness of joy.

Placed beside this prospect, with the glory of the resurrection light crowning all, with what different feelings we regard the trials of our daily life. May this Easter-tide bring home the lesson of true satisfaction nearer to our hearts than ever before, giving us fresh hope and strength to meet the same, steadfast to the end. — *The Churchman, N. Y.*

### THE NEED OF MONEY TO SEND THE MEN.

 THE following paper by the treasurer of the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church applies *mutatis mutandis* to the church in Canada. Here as in the United States every baptized member of the church is theoretically a member of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. Here as apparently in the United States the position of privilege and responsibility requires to be brought home to the consciences and hearts of church people. Here, too, there is equal if not greater disproportion between the number of *Communicants* and the amount of contributions by them to Mission work proper. And here in Canada we fancy that we are very far behind the sister church in the results obtained from our Sunday Schools, we therefore feel that the thoughts of such an earnest and prominent member of the Board of Missions of the church of the United States cannot but be acceptable to all our readers, and we give Mr. Thomas' article *in extenso*

"I am endeavoring in this article to follow those that have preceded, under the following titles: "The Need of the Non-Christian World for Christ," "The Need of the Christian World for Christ," "The Call for Men to Supply this Need," and hence the importance of the topic assigned to me, "The Need of Money to Send the Men."

At the first glance it would seem to be scarcely necessary to enlarge upon such a subject, as it must be self-evident to every one that if men are to be sent, money must be raised to make provision for them; but from the fact that in all missionary societies constant appeals are being made to raise money, it would seem that either those who should supply this need are neglecting their duty, or

that the subject is not presented properly to induce them to give. I feel, however, that there is no necessity of entering into any argument to prove that money is needed to send men to the work, and I shall therefore confine the few thoughts which I wish to throw out upon this whole subject to a discussion of the following topics:

(1) The duty of every person to support the missionary work of the Church.

(2) How best to increase that interest and secure the enthusiastic support which is essential to the successful carrying on of the work.

In discussing the former of these, I wish to remind every one that the constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church provides that every baptized person is a member of the same. There is, therefore laid upon each one the obligation of doing what he can to spread the Kingdom of Christ upon earth to the extent of his ability; and I think that if the fact was constantly emphasized, it would tend to awaken all to a sense of their responsibility in the matter. We look forward longingly to the time when the world shall be converted to Christ, and we do little to help it forward. We attend our regular Church services, and are interested in various societies which do a great deal of good, and there never was a time when more efforts were being made for the amelioration of men; but the Church does not seem to have the faith which she should have in the promises of her Lord, nor the desire to prepare for His coming. Hence everyone should be impressed with the responsibility which rests upon him as a baptized member of the Church, of doing each one his or her share to the best of their ability as opportunity may offer, to further the good end which must be kept constantly in view.

I would like to put it also upon a higher plane than that of duty, for it should be regarded as a great privilege.

This brings us to the second division of the subject, How best to increase that interest and secure that enthusiastic support which is essential to the successful carrying on of the work. It is a lamentable fact that only a little more than one-half the parishes of the Church in this country are regular contributors to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. It would seem, in the first place, that this is a defect which should be remedied as soon as possible, and perhaps I may say that selfishness has a good deal to do with this cause. If all our clergy and people realized the importance of the work to be done outside their own parish, they would not be found lacking when the roll is called. I would say, therefore:

First, the clergy, by precept and example, should bring the needs of the missionary work of the Church constantly before their people,