

profited, the interests of true religion promoted, and Thy holy name glorified.

While we hear of the wants of others, make us increasingly thankful for the mercies which we, by Thy goodness, possess; and while we hear of the wonderful things which Thou doest in distant lands, lead us to seek Thee, that Thou mayest work in our souls all the good pleasure of Thy goodness, and crown the work of faith with power. Make us faithful in the improvement of the talents entrusted to us, that at the last, when they shall come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and sit down in the kingdom of God, we may not ourselves be cast out. Save us while we live, and receive us when we die, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *Amen.*

III.

FOR UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

O LORD, hear our supplications unto Thee in behalf of all universities, colleges, and seminaries of sound and useful learning. Bless especially those who are there preparing to be ministers and missionaries, or to occupy important stations of trust in the service of their country. We humbly beseech Thee, very graciously to pour out Thy Spirit upon