

culiar bland way, it I would present her to the Convention. Hon. Dr. Parker was in the chair, and granted me permission to do this. For the second time I had the satisfaction of testifying to her ability and piety

“Faith mighty faith, the promise sees,
Relies on that alone,
Laugh at impossibilities,
And cries it shall be done.”

The women had raised the unwonted sum of thirteen hundred dollars, and Miss Norris was enabled soon after, properly warded and endorsed as our missionary, to proceed to India, to labor among the Karens

5. The Stamping of the Coin.

In the following year, 1871, at the Convention in Old Zion, Yarmouth, another young pastor, Rev. W. H. Porter, rose beside me, and said, “Mr. President, I move, sir, that we do now proceed to the inauguration of an Independent Mission.” With the meekness of a Moses, the venerable chairman of the Board, Rev. Charles Tupper, seconded the resolution. By this time his vision had become clarified, and so the young and the old were already seeing eye to eye. The guiding Hand of the Master was there, although there were still some who shook their heads, and declared in my hearing, that it never could be worked. After the usual free discussion of Baptist Assemblies, this Resolution passed.

In the following year, the change foreshadowed took place, and the Foreign Board was removed to St. John. Rev. W. S. MacKenzie was appointed Home Secretary, and Dr. Cramp, who though waxing old, was vigorous in mind, and ripe in knowledge on the missionary situation, was made Corresponding Secretary. He did a service which told materially on our new organization. The Board itself was reconstituted. The young members though inexperienced,