

work to the new conditions, and make our church a centre of interest, a spiritual force, a source of moral elevation to those among whom we are placed. We who have our family home and our church home—whose place and interest in this particular household of faith is of long standing and hallowed by many tender associations, should count ourselves the servants, for Jesus' sake, of that floating multitude who, away from the homes of their youth, in the great city for a longer or shorter period, are without home and without church connection. There is here a large field and a difficult field, but one in which we as a congregation are bidden "go work" by the Master, who has "chosen us and placed us that we should go and bring forth fruit."

Through the earnest advocacy and worthy example of your former pastor, the Rev. Louis H. Jordan, B.D., you were led to aim at \$25,000 for the Century Fund. That amount has all been subscribed save a few hundred dollars, which I trust will be promised before this appears in print.

The congregation has done well. This is a fitting thank-offering for the mercies of the past—a worthy memorial by which to signalize the opening of the New Century. But this was never intended to, and will not interfere with our regular support of the great missionary work with which God has honored our Church at home and abroad. No Church ever had a more magnificent or promising Home work than that given to our Presbyterian Church in Canada; and no church of its size and in a new country ever had a larger share in the evangelizing of the heathen world.

The Century Fund is intended to help us do better for the aggressive work of the Church in the future. With our debt removed, as it will be when Century Fund subscriptions are all paid, we will be free to give to missions as never before. The old system of gathering money for missions by collectors calling monthly is not now satisfactory. A new system will soon be proposed, which will emphasize the purely voluntary character of our giving; and with this change

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