

energy of their being into this great work, and with a triumphant faith and holy zeal, devise liberal things and arouse the churches, and bring this mighty enterprise into the forefront of our undertakings for Christ.

5. Direct, enthusiastic, hopeful AGENCY OR DEPUTATION WORK, among the churches. Let the Foreign Missions be brought directly before them, in its vast importance and thrilling interest, not mingled with or distracted by any other cause. Let the work and its claims be set before the churches as they deserve to be. Let the brethren see clearly WHAT the work is to which they are called; WHY they ought to engage in it; and HOW they may best promote it. Show it to them in the light of Christ, and let loyalty and love to Him be presented as the supreme motive, and the churches will certainly be enthused and respond. When Christ dwells in a church its members are sure to feel the force of appeals that are based on His words and illustrated by His example. Missionary literature, the best obtainable, fresh, interesting, stimulating, ought to be largely employed in the churches and Sunday schools and families.

There never was a better ground for promoting Foreign Missionary interest than in these Maritime Provinces. Twenty years ago everything was ripe for developing one of the best Foreign Missionary movements that has been undertaken. And the opportunity has not yet wholly past. But prompt and vigorous and truly consecrated action is needed.

6. Let all thought of becoming auxiliary to any other Missionary Society be banished. Let there be no place for any such proposal. It would be a backward step, most unworthy of us, and for which God would certainly send blight and barrenness upon us. Let a noble independence and holy enthusiasm possess the body. We ought to be ashamed of such a thought as that of FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND BAPTISTS in these Provinces becoming simply auxiliary to some other Foreign Missionary organization. The brethren of Ontario and Quebec, with a membership seven thousand less than ours, are carrying forward, with remarkable zeal and energy, one of the most successful missions in India. And why cannot we? God has entrusted to our hands sufficient MEANS. And we have the MEN. NOW for the FAITH and COURAGE!

7. Direct, earnest, continued, believing PRAYER; for the missionaries, the native ministers and churches, the schools, and all the agencies employed; that showers of blessing may descend upon the field, and abundant harvests be reaped. God cannot deny Himself or break His promises. He will SURELY bless the work and crown it with success when His people do their duty and fully trust Him.

There is no ground for discouragement if this work be prosecuted with knowledge, zeal, liberality, love, courage, patience, and all conquering faith. And are not these the very things which ought to characterize our service as Christians.

Let all be done FOR THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, that His name may be known unto the ends of the earth.