

before the cross, jointly acknowledging their indebtedness to the grace of God, and uniting in one holy brotherhood. "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ," said Paul, "for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, to the Jew first and also to the Greek," Romans i. 16. "Thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place," 2 Cor. ii. 14. All believers exclaimed, "The Lord hath done great things for us."

Not less marvellous did the victories of the Reformation appear. When Luther, in Germany—Zuingli, in Switzerland—Tyndale, Cranmer, and Knox, in Great Britain, heard on every side the voices of those who prayed and praised God in their own languages—and beheld, not merely the throwing off of the papal yoke, but the substitution of personal, spiritual religion, springing from faith in the Saviour, for vain superstitions and blind obedience to the priesthood—they were filled with amazement. God had arisen, and his enemies were scattered. The light of the church had come. Gladness penetrated all hearts. "The Lord hath done great things for us."

The words of the text may be fitly employed by ourselves and our brethren in this land. The present year is the Centenary of our Denomination. We have been a hundred years in Nova Scotia, and "great things" have been done for us.

A hundred years ago, the Rev. John Sutton, a Baptist minister from New Jersey, accompanied a band of emigrants to Nova Scotia. They settled in the township of Newport. Whether there were any Baptists in the company besides Mr. Sutton, is not recorded; but it may be considered probable, otherwise it is difficult to account for his joining the emigrant body. One of the number, Daniel Dimock, had embraced Baptist principles, but in deference to his father, whose prejudices against everything Baptist were at tha