

the years can not crumble, as enduring as the Church of God. The life-work of Barbara Heck finds its counterpart in the living energies of the Church she founded."

As we contemplate the lowly life of this true mother in Israel, and the marvelous results of which she was providentially the initiating cause, we can not help exclaiming, in devout wonder and thanksgiving, "What hath God wrought!" In the United States and Canada there is at this moment, as the outgrowth of the seed sown in weakness over a century ago, a great Church organization, like a vast banyan-tree, overspreading the continent, beneath whose broad canopy nearly twenty millions of souls, as members or adherents, or about one-fourth the entire population, enroll themselves by the name of Methodists. The solitary testimony of Philip Embury has been succeeded by that of a great army of fifteen thousand local preachers, and nearly as many ordained ministers. Over two hundred Methodist colleges and academies unite in hallowed wedlock the principles of sound learning and vital godliness. Nearly