## The Protection of Native Races.

## Rev. Dr. Tucker's Appeal

The Indians of British Columbia.

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The Native Race Question is one that affects Governments, Missionary Societies, native and ruling races throughout the world. It is a universal question. It is the outstanding problem of South Africa. It spreads over the whole continent and comes to a head in the Congo. It extends over the whole rubber-producing countries of South America and comes to a head in Putumayo. It is one of the main problems of Mexico, the United States and Canada. And there are Native Race Protection Associations in the leading countries of the world—in Switzerland, Italy, Portugal, France, Great Britain, Australia, and the United States. This newly formed Association will enable Canada to join hands with the other kindred Associations, and help to bring the moral forces of Christendom and Civilization to bear upon the Native Race Question throughout the world.

And in Canada the Indian Question is, or ought to be, one of the most important problems. The Indians are the original inhabitants of the land. We have inherited this magnificent Dominion from them. We have destroyed their hunting-grounds