

It matters little from which source Victoria shall receive this proposed revenue of thirty thousand dollars, whether from the annual givings of the Church, or from a permanent endowment, or from the two combined. But this income she must have, and should have without delay; and when she gets it she will repay the Church and the country a hundred times over in that which is more precious than gold, for

"The riches of the Commonwealth
Are free strong minds and hearts of health,
And more to her than gold or grain,
The cunning hand and cultured brain."

I AM WITH THEE.

"I AM with thee!" He hath said it,
In His truth and tender grace!
Sealed the promise, grandly spoken,
With how many a mighty token
Of His love and faithfulness.

He is with thee! with thee, always,
All the nights and all the days;
Never failing, never frowning,
With His loving-kindness crowning,
Turning all thy life to praise.

He is with thee! thine own Master,
Leading, loving to the end!
Brightening joy and lightening sorrow,
All to day, yet more to-morrow,
King and Saviour, God and Friend.

He is with thee—yes, forever!
Now, and through eternity!
Yea, with Him forever dwelling,
Thou shalt share His joy excelling,
Thou with Christ and Christ with thee.