

The resolution he thought might be divided into two prominent heads, first the necessity to send those missionaries out, and secondly the obligation to do so. The sphere of the Society extended over a large extent—large enough for a small kingdom and upon some twenty-eight missionaries resulted all the labour, much more work than any such number of men could undertake. The missionaries told them of the large numbers of those who are so remote from the religious privileges of our Church that they sever their connection. They also tell us of the great number of those who die unbaptized, all of which would be remedied if the means of spiritual instruction were within their reach. It was dismal to consider the position of those who were in such a state of destitution. There were many who would willingly give their mite in support of a clergyman, if the society would come half way, but how could it do so without funds. Was it not deplorable that men baptized in the church should be compelled to forego their attendance at Church, because the society was out of funds and badly supported. The only way to aid in the work was to have men to face toil and danger, and to do this in an efficient manner men must be had in number. How was it that the Church of Rome had its orphan asylums, its nunneries and other institutions throughout the length of the land, from the Suspension Bridge to Quebec, and those, too, substantial buildings, in the best localities? There was not a poor railway labourer in connection with that Church that did not give to its coffers as he was able. If this work was carried on as energetically in the English Church, why their schemes would blossom as a rose. How could this all be done on \$400 a-year? He had seen pictures representing a Canadian missionary visiting his flock in winter, in a handsome sleigh and with his portmanteau as if it had just been purchased in the Strand. This was only deceiving people. Missionaries in Canada do not drive round like Russian noblemen, in splendid sleighs, nor do they drive on a broken-back chair on runners. He thought it lay between those two extremes. He believed missionaries to be a hard-working, self-denying set of men, who should not be driven from the field for want of funds. These very men were born under a Canadian sky; they had a British heart, and the same love of old England was harboured in their hearts. It was a noble effort when England lavished her wealth on the Manchester operatives, and those who eat, in faith, of the bread that England gave them would never die. (Loud cheers.) The reverend gentleman then called on those present to aid in the good work by their contributions, and concluded amid loud applause.

Mr. GROVEN seconded the resolution briefly. He had travelled with the Rev. Dr. Fuller on a missionary tour, and found that the country invariably looked to the city.

According to the total contributions to the fund the average was only thirteen cents on every member of the Church, while in the city, with 7 churches or chapels and 11 clergymen it only amounted to 4c per head. He thought that this was from the want of collectors. Numbers of persons he was sure who would give had not been called on and therefore their contributions were lost.

The Rev. Mr. RICHIE then moved the following resolution:—

“That while we fully appreciate the effects hitherto made by the Church in this country, we cannot but deplore the spiritual destitution which still exists, and the diocese calls loudly for immediate relief.”

Mr. FRANKLAND seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

The Rev. Mr. GIVINS then moved, seconded by the Rev. H. BRENT,—“That the thanks of Society are due, and are hereby tendered to the officers, collectors, and gentlemen of the several committees, for their services during the past year.”

Mr. GIVINS, in moving the resolution, called the attention of the meeting to the very handsome manner in which a number of gentlemen connected with the Church, and deeply engaged in business, had taken an great interest in the affairs of the Society, and attended meetings whenever summoned.

The motion being put to the meeting, was carried unanimously.

HIS LORDSHIP the chairman then addressed a few remarks to the meeting, stating that he thought the previous speakers had referred too much to the difficulties to be overcome in the work, without saying what had been done during the past year. It would have liked some words of encouragement from the speakers on that point. Much had been achieved during the past year and no doubt we should do better next.

The BISHOP concluded by pronouncing the benediction, and the meeting closed.