

ate acquaintance. We want to escape the charge so often levelled at the cloth, that they hedge and sidestep and hide their true selves under a cloak of sanctimouiousness; we want to come out in the open and shed abroad the love of God.

We don't want your money if we have not got your love and sympathy. Please don't subscribe either to your church or your college, if when giving you do not have the proper will and motive if, say, you just want to use the church for business or political ends; if your gift is just a bribe to blind or buy off the eyes and tongue that should be scourging your sins and that have not the courage and power to lead you the true way into the glad Presence. We of Westminster Hall crave your friendship, want the chance to exert a wholesome influence upon the community in which we are set as consuls for Christ. Don't make us feel like strangers and sojourners in a far country; encourage us to take our place in the social life of the home and the country.

The motto of my university of the City of Edinburgh is *Nisi Dominus Frustra*—"Unless the Lord the city build, the builders build in vain," and I mention it in appealing to you of Vancouver to lay the foundations of your future as a city on the sure and sound basis of integrity and earnestness in your social and religious life. And I implore you to foster and guard that life at its sources. Help the sons and servants of your Church to create the right atmosphere. Westminster Theological Hall stands as an educational and a social force in this community. The people of British Columbia have done and are doing a great deal to increase the power and effectiveness of this Institution. By their support they bespeak and secure guarantees for the future greatness, influence and prosperity of this province of your far flung Dominion.

There are tremendous tendencies at work in our midst that make for devolution and downfall. Are we doing all we should as a community to stem those strong pointed currents—are we with heart and head and hand and all our means helping to perpetuate all those forces that make for righteousness and national well being?

May I live to see the watchword "*Splendor sine occasu*" realized, the light of truth never quenched, just because we all stand by the principle expressed in the ideal of the older city "Unless the