

In the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Upper and Lower Canada, Missionaries have been labouring for upwards of fifty years to supply the widely scattered and interesting population of these countries with that Gospel which alone can cheer and comfort the lonely settler under the various hardships and discouragements inseparably connected with the cultivation of the wilderness. When it is remembered that, had it not been for the labours of these men, who, influenced by the Spirit of their Divine Master, have not only followed the tide of emigration through the frontier parts of the Provinces, but have followed the sound of the axe into the deepest recesses of the gloomy wilderness, thousands of families would have lived and died without the ordinances of Christianity, every lover of his God and his fellow creatures must rejoice that the Missionary Society was ever established, and that its benign influence has been so powerfully and so extensively felt in these sections of the Missionary field. The remarks of the Secretaries of the Parent Society upon the past and present state of the Christian Indians of our Province are so forcible and so true, that your Committee cannot deny themselves the pleasure of introducing them in this Report—furnishing as they do the deep interest they take in our Missions, and the pleasure they feel in bearing their unequivocal testimony to their importance and prosperity:—"The Indian Missions of Upper Canada are eminently owned of God, and furnish the most undoubted evidence of the tendency of the Gospel to diffuse the blessings of civilization, in connexion with those spiritual and everlasting benefits which it is designed to communicate to all the nations of the earth. Hundreds of these once wretched wanderers have been raised from the lowest state of degradation 'to sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus,' and are living in such a state of peace and purity as affords the most delightful evidence of the reality of the inward and spiritual change which they have experienced. It is indeed the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in the eyes of men. The form of Paganism which once enthralled them has given place to Christianity; and the Indian who spurned at all human restraint and control, bows his neck to the authority of Christ, and meekly carries the burden which his Redeemer has placed upon his shoulder. A state of almost brutal ignorance has been broken up by the force of evangelical truth, and minds from which all that tends to elevate human nature was utterly excluded, have been enriched, not only with the knowledge of letters, but with the knowledge of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Habits of intemperance, indolence, and irregularity have been succeeded by sobriety, industry, and order; and the songs of Zion are sung in those forests where for ages the war-cry of the savage and the growling of wild beasts were the only sounds which were heard."

The experience of the moral and spiritual brethren is the man heart, and bring of Satan unto him

The following are laboured on our and encouragement

The exposed situation of a few white vine law, do all have occasioned mourn over the full perience rendered machinations of the subject, Brother P. J. several of these have promised to in society is upward the church of Christ, who are do last winter, a blessing white settlements a class of thirty men day, and the School. We also have a £ we have a class preach at Cooks Springfield, and in and 40 children.

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