

prophecy of the future. No work has brought to you greater rewards than work for the Red men. None of your population have been more loyal to the English Crown.

You look in vain for one solitary instance, when the Indian has been the first to violate plighted faith. You have never made an effort for this poor race which has been unrewarded. The story of your early missions reads like that of the deeds of faith in the early Church. It was this story which touched my heart to plead for our wretched heathen. You will do no work which will be dearer unto Christ. No songs are sweeter to Him than the chorus of voices which day by day goes up to heaven in the musical language of the Cree and the Ojibway. If we reach that land which is afar off, we shall meet from the Moose, the Saskatchewan and Yucan, many who shall sing that song which no man can learn but they who are redeemed from among men.

Brethren, if there ever was a body of Christians who ought to be careful to maintain good works, it is this Synod. I pray you in Christ's name leave unto others those questions which vex the Church with contentions and strifes. Be content to preach Christ and work in his Church. Speak to men plainly, in His words, of the conditions of salvation. Hold up, as the ensign over you in every battle with falsehood and error, the dear old creeds. Set forth in His name His Divine Sacraments. Do not attempt to define what God has not revealed. Do not attempt to lay bare to human eyes what God has not revealed. Introduce no customs which will make yours a household divided against itself. Work and pray; hope on and hope ever. You who now go forth bearing precious seed and weeping, shall come again, bringing your sheaves with you.

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