

year, their expectations would have been disappointed, and their prayers have seemed to be disregarded, perhaps even by God. Oh ye who generously aid in the propagation of the Gospel of Christ, ye know not, how much heavenly truth your deeds of light have scattered—ye know not, how many hundreds of bleeding hearts your ministering hands have healed, but when Christ shall come again to be glorified in His Saints, *then* ye shall know.

The three hundred Missionaries supported by the Society, together with the rest of the Clergy, are necessarily few and far apart on so wide a field. Their number is inadequate, by far too small, for an efficacious employment in so large a vineyard, of the spiritual functions of the Church. But this is not the point now to be attended to. Rather now let our grateful acknowledgments be rendered to God for having treated us so graciously. In most of the frequented parts of the Province, on the banks of the parent stream and of the western lakes, where the children of our people have pitched their habitations, the ark of the church has found a permanent resting-place, we trust, and an honorable name. Many a solitary place has been made glad ; into many a dark place has the true light of the Divine truth been made to shine ; and that the lamps which diffuse it shall be fed with oil enough to make them burn ever brighter and brighter, there are many instances of pure and well directed zeal to encourage, if not to justify, the hope. It would be a reproach indeed, a melancholy proof of the little value we placed upon the best gifts of heaven and upon the object most dear