

lowing, he was sure he was speaking to those who wished him "God speed" in his work. His enjoyment in meetings like these he would say was great. He always loved them even at home in the old country where they were common; and where Christians met together for the purpose of sociably enjoying the good things of God, physical, mental, and spiritual, without in any way forgetting or throwing aside their Christianity; but rather that in every grade of Christian character and conduct, they might through intercommunion succeed in stirring one another up. But seeing it was a somewhat rare thing for him now to take part in such a meeting as that he had to-night enjoyed, he could not fail to express his satisfaction.

He was sure that the brethren before him would suffer a word of exhortation from one whose sole aim in speaking was a humble desire to see them prosper as a church and congregation. Then, he would say, Be united one with another. Especially be united to upstay each other by prayer. Each member of the Church in this respect had a duty to pay to his brother, which, when paid, would result in a multiplied blessing upon them all. Thus united, it was their duty, too, to pray for their minister. In no way could they more successfully encourage their minister's heart and strengthen his hands than this. He knew that they were willing most heartily to give their minister their dollars. But while he was certain that none of them were so blind to their duty as to forget the support they owed in the form of money, he would seek to press upon them the importance of giving their minister their prayers.

He regretted much that in consequence of denominational differences, Christians seemed often to feel it necessary to screen their love one from another. It was a great misfortune to the world that Christian men hid their piety in general, just because there was a difference between Christians and the world, which sometimes the former did not care to bring into notice. It was this spirit on the part of Christians that in so great a degree stopped the spread of the Gospel in the world. And when to a disposition to hide their light from the world, Christians added disunion of heart among themselves, they need not wonder if the aggressive power of Christianity did now and then seem almost dead. It was on account of a lack of warmth among Christians that so many relapses occurred within the Church, and that there was so little done outside of it.