

REPORT

Of the Canadian Wesleyan Methodist New Connexion Missionary Society Auxiliary to the Methodist New Connexion Missionary Society in England, read at the General Missionary Meeting of the Connexion, held at the Conference in the Lake Chapel, June 12th, 1846.

NOTHING on earth is immutable. The state in which we now dwell is subject to continual change. In the operation of systems it would therefore be irrational to expect equal results in equal proportions of time. The process of improvement is not only uneven but often retrograde, and as in nature while one part of the landscape is graced with plenty another exhibits the meager aspect of sterility; so in the Missionary field, success in one part is usually associated with reverse in the other. Hence when the amount of success exceeds the amount of unsuccessful effort, notwithstanding individual exceptions we pronounce the enterprize on the whole successful.

It is on this principle your Committee in presenting the Third Annual Report desires to erect an Ebenezer. The greater our difficulties, the more extensive the assistance necessary, and the greater our debt of gratitude to the Head of the Church. That the Mission in Canada continues to this day is an historic fact, and that its continuance is attributable to divine help is undeniable. Through another year God has helped us, and amidst numerous conflicting powers, we have found that they who are for us are more than all that can be against us. "If it had not been the Lord who was on our side when men rose up against us; Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us."

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