

Atlantic eighteen times, when there was no Cunard line with its steam and comforts, presented himself in his sixty-seventh year to the Wesleyan Conference at Liverpool, with India upon his great heart, and with a list of chosen volunteers who would accompany him thither, if his brethren would but sanction his daring project; and to achieve success, he with burning tears of entreaty offered to bear the expense out of his own private fortune, to the amount of six thousand pounds. Such nobility of purpose could not be disregarded in such a Conference—Missionary to its core,—and not many months passed before this apostolic man was on his way to the East with Lynch, Ault, Erskine, Harvard, Squance, Clough, and McKenny; but on the 3rd of May, 1814, the beloved and honored conductor of these evangelists was buried in the Indian Ocean, his spirit having, with hardly a premonition, escaped to bliss from the ship *Cabalva*; and Mr. Harvard read the burial service. How a mysterious and merciful Providence waited for this bereaved band at Bombay, and a stranger financially espoused their stricken cause on the strength of the character of the Wesleyan Connexion, and how from that eventful day to the day when he left India, Wesleyan Missions had been a blessing to that wonderful country, Mr. Harvard's beautiful Narrative of the Mission to Ceylon must say. In reviewing it the late Richard Watson said, "The spirit of the whole narrative is that which best becomes all Missionary accounts. It is that of modesty, simplicity, charity, faith in God, and tenderness to men, and at once heightens our esteem for the writer, and our interest in the Mission." His reward was the conversion of numerous Ceylonese, and the joy of witnessing the Wesleyan Missionary income advance from £6,000 to nearly £120,000.

Canada shared in his valuable ministerial and official services in times less favourable than the present, and he has left a name for intelligence, piety, suavity, honour, and devotedness which is here by many persons pronounced with admiration. Distinguished were the Wesleyan positions of his life, yet it was not as a Governor of the Theological Institution, or as a companion of the venerated Coke, or as a President of the Canada Conference that Dr. Harvard obtained his highest eminence, but, and let this the most precious and permanent of all eulogies be engraven on his tablet—he was a faithful CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY.

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"THE BOOK AND ITS STORY" is a select publication, deserving universal popularity and perusal, we were glad to meet with lately at the Wesleyan Book Room; and though it does not, in the opinion of some, place itself in the category of Missionary works,—if the Bible be, as has been tritely and truly remarked, "the Missionary of Missionaries," we hasten to give it the first place among such works: and the indissoluble connection which the Inspired Volume has with modern Christian Missions, and the distinguished services the British and Foreign Bible Society renders to the great religious Institutions of the age, require the Missionary prominence we reverently give the Bible.