

Fathers in the ministry manifested so great an interest,) will lay a broad foundation for mighty movements in time to come. From their walls we hope to see a mighty host of young Elishas going forth with the mantles of our fallen Elijahs throughout New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, to Australia, and to India's distant shores, to plant the Rose of Sharon and the Lily of the Valley. "Is there not a glorious future for the Baptists?" And do we not forcibly feel the words of Dr. Cramp, "that it is our duty to prepare for it." The feeling throughout the Province at large is in favor of Baptist sentiments, and we are convinced that truth is mighty and that it will spread throughout the world. We have long been in want of a well established organization for sending the Gospel to the destitute parts of our own Province. When our Missionaries went forth success attended their efforts, but for want of more concentration of effort in connection with the little time the brethren remained in the field, but a small amount of permanent benefit has been realized. Such an organization we have in the domestic missionary society lately established in Saint John, which promises through the blessing of God to do much for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom throughout the Province. This we conceive to be an object worthy our liberality, and we would desire to call loudly upon all our Churches to aid in this important work. This society intends that the various parts of the Province destitute of Baptist preaching, shall be supplied as far as its means will allow; and if possible keep a constant supply of preaching where a beginning is commenced. Our Churches are largely indebted to Missionary labor. When we look back upon our past history, for half a century, and view our Fathers in the ministry going forth in the strength of Elijah's God, proclaiming, "Behold the bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him." We may well inquire what hath God wrought? Difficulties have been surmounted, obstacles have been removed, the way of the Lord has been prepared, and a great number of living witnesses have risen up to call the Saviour blessed, and rejoice in his everlasting love. Finally, Brethren, farewell, may you be guided by that wisdom which cometh from above, in all your deliberations. "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." And may the Blessed Saviour wash you in his precious blood, and bring you to Eternal Glory, to whom be all the praise for ever and ever. Amen.