

year an income of only about £125. That amount—not half sufficient now to support some one of our Missions a year—has swelled to more than £11,000. The primeval Stations of the Society were few and precious ; for this year of 1856-57 they are one hundred and thirty-four ; and the number of Missionaries is now much larger than the whole number of preachers for many early years found in the Minutes of Conference. Evangelical enterprise !

More and more it spreads and grows—  
Ever mighty to prevail.

The grateful tears shed by Bishop Hedding, and the Barnabas-like Case at the formation of the Society, were not shed in vain, and the prayers of those times, in shanty and in wigawaum, did not go up for nought. The British Conference and Missiionary Committee have cared for us with paternal solicitude and liberality, and this success is their deserved reward. The Methodists of the United States, raised up by Wesley, early sent men and means to Canada, and now reap the fruit of their brotherly doings. The Canada Conference has from the first done its best for Canada,—sent many of its best evangelists into the forest to find for Christ the Indian and the White, and been most generous to this department of its Christian zeal ; and by never-ending moral triumphs, and many joyous deaths, and Canada's present loyalty, happiness, and fame, it is repaid for its lofty, patient, and costly services. Year after year holy and gifted men have devoted themselves to toil, privation, and obloquy, and danger, and never yet failed to erect monuments more durable than brass. And—what we say with gratitude to tens of thousands—when their numbers and means are considered, this Society has been sustained by a heartiness of resolve, and a ready generosity, not surpassed by any Church, by any community, in any colony or kingdom.

On the platform were the following gentlemen :—The Rev. Messrs. Enoch Wood, President of the Conference and General Superintendent of Missions, Dr. Green, Dr. Ryerson, R. Jones, Chairman of Toronto District, Jonathan Scott, G. R. Sanderson, J. Borland, J. Gemley, J. Berry, and J. H. Bishop, also, Thos. Worthington, Esq., one of the Commissioners appointed by the Gov. General to enquire into the state of the Indian Tribes in Canada, B. Bull, Esq., and J. McDonald, Esq.

The Rev. R. JONES, who presided, introduced the services of the occasion by announcing the appropriate hymn, commencing :—

“The heavens declare thy glory, Lord.”

The introductory address from the Chair, was highly appropriate and suggestive—leading some of the succeeding speakers to dwell upon features of the historic data of the Society, which were highly interesting, especially to those of

the audience who were not conversant with the facts to which allusion was made. The Chairman dwelt with effect upon the “small beginnings” of the Society, contrasted with its present unanticipated and flourishing condition : and gave due prominence to its improved finances and spiritual prosperity during the last nine years—from the date of the last Union between British and Canadian Methodism. In 1847 the *Income was* £2,668 ; in the present year it well nigh reached the amount which our Fathers in England, in the early history of the Parent Society, expected they would realize in *some future day* ; for it was remarked by the venerable Rev. Richd. Reece—one of the fathers of Methodism—that, he “confidently believed the finances of the Society, would eventually reach the magnificent sum of £10,000.” The Canadian Society has this year nearly equalled that sum, the income being over £11,000 c'y., and the Parent Society has resolved to present