

make up their minds to live upon their own resources in future. This meeting was supposed to represent the Methodism of Canada, which has its Missions extending from Gaspe to British Columbia. The present was their first Anniversary after having attained their majority. The parent body in England had felt a great sympathy with our Canadian work, and done much to promote it. Last year she had paid off our debts, and left us to set up for ourselves, and work out our own destiny for the future. We are now to take hold of our own work, and must look the obligations of our position fairly in the face, and bend our energies to the achievement of the work laid upon us. Those who had travelled through the new settlements could testify that the labors of our Missionaries in these fields of holy toil had been a great blessing to those hardy pioneers, whose industry and enterprise were laying the foundations of our national greatness. We cannot afford to slacken our efforts in this important department of our operations. As fast as the people move into the back settlements, or into the vast regions of the North-West, we must send the Missionaries after them to give them the word of life. Methodism had done great things for this continent already. He did not ignore other Churches, nor disparage their valuable achievements as fellow-helpers to the truth. But the trophies of Methodist zeal and liberality were such as even bigotry itself could not overlook. He felt thankful in having the privilege of doing anything to advance the interest of a cause so rich in promise, and so glorious in its spiritual and eternal results. We must not wait for great opportunities. If we could only speak a kind word, or give our dollar, we are thereby helping a great cause. He felt it to be a great cause of special satisfaction, that we were sending faithful and loyal men into these new settlements, who would use their influence to teach the principles of loyalty to our British institutions. Men such as Mr. Browning had spoken of, who, in all circumstances, would be faithful alike to the doctrines of the Cross and to the Government under which it is our privilege to live. The Rev. George Young, formerly minister of Richmond

Street Church, Toronto, though much beloved by the people, had been taken from them and sent out to Red River. In the day of trial he had not been found wanting. He had nobly and worthily represented this Society amid the late trouble in that country. And with such men in the field we had confidence and hope for the future. The money spent in sending such men to these important and needy points, was well spent. It was expended with the greatest care. The claims of every part of the work are closely scrutinized, and the largest possible amount of work is accomplished with the money contributed. The claims of the Society appealed alike to our humanity, our patriotism, and our Christianity.

An anthem was then sung by the choir, after which

The Rev. W. M. PUNSHON, President of the Conference, seconded the resolution in a speech, which was at once comprehensive, practical, impressive and beautiful. He expressed his obligation to the preceding speakers for their eminently suggestive addresses, which had greatly lightened his responsibility. He rejoiced to be associated with a cause that enlisted the profound interest of heaven, and contemplated the highest good of earth. He was glad to hear the note struck by Mr. Browning, with regard to a foreign Mission. It is high time that Canadian Methodism was represented on the foreign field. As Manitoba had become a Canadian Province, and British Columbia would be one shortly, we would soon be without any foreign mission. It would be a reproach if we should long remain without a foreign Mission. There is room in China, in Japan, in Italy, where the chains of centuries are being broken; in Palestine, the land of that ancient race, whose children have so many claims upon us; there is room in Spain, over whose long night the morn of light and liberty is breaking. Such an enterprise would quicken the energy and develop the liberality of the Church. He trusted that before long Canadian Methodism would extend her operations into "the regions beyond." If the Church had always waited till all were converted at home, before she sent her agents abroad, what would be our condition now? He was glad to hear the testimony borne by