

“I fear that we are faulty in another respect also. That where protracted meetings have been held, or other special means have been used, and followed with the desired success, we sit down satisfied as though nothing more were to be obtained. But why should we be content with the conversion of ten or fifty, or a hundred or a thousand in a neighborhood, while five or ten times the number remain still unconverted? Is the grace or the power of God limited? Is there a mind too dark for His truth or Spirit to illumine? Is there a heart too hard for the love of Christ to melt? Has he any where said in reference to the progress of his work, hitherto it shall advance and no farther? Why then should we not continually expect greater things than any we have yet realized? These gracious visitations should be regarded by us as pledges of still more powerful and copious outpourings of the Spirit. Grateful for what God has done, and full of expectation and desire in reference to the future, the language of the Psalmist should be ours: ‘Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things. And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen and Amen.’ Instead of relaxing in our efforts, we should be more fervent and persevering in prayer, more abundant in labors. When God works we shall work also. Were we to improve these times of refreshing and reviving, the church would be always on the advance. Revivals would never be succeeded by declensions, and showers of heavenly grace would descend in quick succession, until the whole world should be covered with moral and religious verdure. May we all with renewed ardour consecrate our services to the Lord!

“Yours, &c.,

“April 4.

“W. LORD.”

“P.S. On my arrival at home I found letters from Montreal, which informed me that the work of God is still advancing there, and that about 200 have recently been brought to the knowledge of God at Quebec. One of our American brethren is laboring there with great acceptance and usefulness.

“W. L.”

78. The reader will not be surprised to learn, that although the members which formerly stood in connection with the British Conference in the town of Kingston were at the Conference of 1835 transferred to the watch-care of