

utmost to counteract the movements of divine wisdom and infinite mercy, towards a ruined world. Let this consideration however be our stay and confidence. "The Lord reigns;" "His throne is established in the heavens, and his Kingdom ruleth over all." "Let us be still, and know that he is God."

"Nations shall bow before His throne,
And Kings attend with fear."

But while we adore let us also tremble.

Was there ever a period in the history of the world, when such mighty efforts were being made to save those who are lying in wickedness. Who can contemplate the efforts of the friends of missions—the success of missionaries—the efforts of the B. & F. Bible Society—of the Tract Societies—with the long catalogue of benevolent institutions,—now in operation, to ameliorate the sufferings, and save the souls of the degraded race of Adam, without exclaiming, "What hath God wrought!" Of what immense magnitude is the Missionary cause: There are six hundred millions of idolaters in our world, many of them cannibals; there are many who in very truth are idolaters, who yet do not go by that name. These all must have the Gospel proclaimed among them. The Bible may be put into their hands, and it doubtless may and will do good in multiplied instances. But the missionaries must also go and preach and explain the Bible to them. These men must learn the language of the heathen; they must become naturalized, in a sense, among them; they must be exposed to the diseases of inhospitable climes, and sicken and die far away from kindred and home. Nay, they may be imprisoned, as our dear brother Judson was; they may be devoured by cannibals, as Williams and his fellow missionary were—or suffer martyrdom in some other terrific form; and thus the blood of the Missionaries become the seed of the converted heathen church. And yet, in view of all this, Missionaries must be sent—yea, a succession of them must be sent. But who shall send them? Not the great, the noble, or the rich, as yet. You, dear Christian brethren and friends, you to whom this circular is addressed—you, men and women of ardent piety, of personal holiness of heart and life—you, members of Baptist churches and others, persons that know what it is to commune with God through our Lord Jesus Christ—you, whose bowels yearn with pity as you meditate upon the condition, and pray over the misery, present and to come, of a ruined world. To you we look for help,—to you the Saviour looks,—to you the perishing heathen cry for help: you must come forward and give liberally to this glorious object.

Dear and well beloved brethren and sisters, the increased prosperity of our own institutions are of vital importance to us, especially at this crisis of their history. These institutions stand nearly connected with all other benevolent operations of the day both at home and abroad. We need not say that we refer here to Acadia College and the Academy connected with it. Brethren, we must say that we hold the Professors of Acadia College as men of the first standing for character and talent—as men of ardent piety, and of sound political and evangelical principles,—as men of integrity, and well qualified to occupy the important station they are called to fill. And it may well be a question whether any literary institution in British North America, can surpass

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