

THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

TO THE FRIENDS OF PRIMITIVE METHODIST MISSIONS

DEAR CHRISTIAN FRIENDS,

The revolution of another year devolves upon us, the pleasing duty of laying before you, a brief account of our official services and the recent history, present state, and prospects of our Mission-stations.

We would first record our profound Gratitude to Almighty God, for his Smile and blessing upon our Missionary effort, crowning the Labors of our Servants, with great success,—and influencing our Friends to contribute liberally; during the last year, the amount being much larger than any former year.

We feel encouraged in now appealing to you for your continued and increasing support, from the fact that, our openings for Missionary Extension are numerous, and we have during the year received considerable reinforcements to our Mission Staff—both from our English Conference and Canadian volunteers.

It is with feelings of deep sorrow that we refer to the Sudden Deaths of our respected Bretheren in the Ministry, Mathew Nichols and James Steveson. Both we had hoped would have been spared, for many years of usefulness, in the Lord's vineyard.

But God ways are above our comprehension, but are all ordered by wisdom and love. Our Loss is their eternal gain, and while we mourn for them as christians, let their demise admonish us of the importance of immediate and constant activity in the cause of God, "let us work while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work."