

some respects, perhaps the most powerful and soulstirring which he delivered in Toronto. He dwelt at some length on the magnitude and importance, and progress of this western portion of the British Empire. And then passing to the East, he described the mighty progress of India under the benign influence of British power.

Dr. Duff, after being present for a short time with the Presbytery of Toronto, left the city for Cobourg, Kingston and Montreal.

In Montreal the Rev. Doctor was to have preached in the Coté Street Church, but was not able to do so. He was very much fatigued and physically weak when he reached town, and had to exercise great caution. Respecting his visit to Montreal, the *Witness* says, "it has undoubtedly proved a most important event, in a religious point of view. His fervid eloquence brought to bear, we think, on the hearts and consciences of the Christian public, those considerations of duty and responsibility in the matter of publishing the Gospel, which, indeed, lie on the face of the New Testament, but which are practically ignored by the Churches.

"But it was at the public breakfast on Wednesday that Dr. Duff who had only then recovered from his indisposition, appeared to the best advantage, and when, for upwards of three hours, he poured forth a torrent of richly diversified and intensely interesting eloquence. This gathering, in honor of our distinguished visitor, took place in the new dining room of the St. Lawrence Hall, on Wednesday morning; the number present being about 150. After breakfast, the Chairman, John Redpath, Esq., introduced Dr. Duff, by saying that he was the first foreign missionary sent out by the Church of Scotland, and that he had gone forth unfettered by instructions, so that he felt himself at liberty to follow the leadings of providence and

his own judgment, which had resulted in an extensive and excellent institution for training the native youth of India, of world-wide celebrity.

Dr. Duff, in acknowledging the attention that was showed to him, said, he hoped nothing was done for him as an individual or personality, but in all that was done for him as a sort of symbol of Christian unity and Christian missions, he heartily rejoiced. It was one of the greatest pleasures he enjoyed, that he had been, and was still, the means of drawing Christians together. Since the meetings of the Evangelical Alliance in England, he had seen nothing like the meetings which had greeted him in the United States and Canada, for Christian cordiality between members of different denominations. On his arrival in Philadelphia, notwithstanding the fearful weather and the lateness of the hour, he was greeted to his astonishment by ministers of every evangelical denomination, assembled at the house of a friend to meet him, some of whom confessed that they had never met their brethren of other denominations before, and the same delightful unanimity was manifested in other places. In Cincinnati the Ministers, when brought together, found a community of feeling to exist which surprised them, and they wondered how they had been so long kept asunder. The partition wall which had separated them was found to be no wall at all. So strongly had this idea taken hold of the mind of American Christians that they had resolved on holding a conference of Ministers in New York on the 4th May next, at which two or three hundred Ministers were expected to be present, the result of whose deliberations would be submitted to a great public meeting on the day following, namely, the 5th May.

Dr. Duff, in illustration of what he was saying, read a paragraph of a letter he had just received from Philadelphia to the effect, that "Catholic correspondence was now the order of