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enlisted. You see it is simply a question of mathematics and in geometrical progression. Then I gave to the learned professor this problem: How many persons would it require to start with, if each one brought a soul into the kingdom each year for ten years, and each one brought another each succeeding year, in order to have fourteen hundred million people saved, or the population of the earth at present? His answer was two million seven hundred and fifty-four thousand three hundred and seventy-five workers. So you see that when I sifted the five hundred million nominal Christians of the earth down to fifty million and stopped there, I retained for this work forty-seven million people too many. There it is in glorious mathematics, quod erat demonstrandum. Do you tell me that God does not care for mathematics? Then you have never seen the Giants' Causeway, where God shows his regard for the hexagonal in whole ranges of rocky columns with six sides and six angles. Then you have not studied the geometry of a bee's honeycomb with six sides and six angles. Then you have not noticed what regard God has for the square; the altar of the ancient tabernacle four square, the breastplate four square, the court of the temple in Ezekiel's vision four square, the New Jerusalem laid out four square. Or you have not noticed his regard for the circle by making it his throne, "sitting on the circle of the earth," and fashioning sun and moon and stars in a circle and sending our planetary system around other systems in a circle and the whole universe sweeping around the throne of God in a circle. And as to his regard for mathematical numbers, he makes the fourth book in his Bible the Book of Numbers, and numbers the hosts of Israel and numbers the troops of Sennacherib and numbers Solomon's hewers in the forest and numbers the spearmen and numbers the footmen and numbers the converts at Pentecost and numbers the chariots of God rolling down the steps of heaven. So I have a right to enlist mathematics for the demonstration of the easy possibility of bringing the whole world to God in the coming decade by simple process of solicitation, each one only having to bring one a year; although I want to take in forty thousand, and I know men now alive who I-taink by pen or voice or both, directly or indirectly, will take hundreds of thousands each. So you see that that will discharge some of the 2,754,875 from the necessity of taking any.

Another reason why I know it can be done is that we may divide the work up among the denominations. God does not ask any one denomination to do the work or any dozen denominations. The work can be divided and is being divided up, not geographically, but according to the temperaments of the human family. We cannot say to one denomination, You take Persia, and another, You take China, and another, You take India, because there are all styles of temperaments in all nations. And some denominations are especially adapted to work with people of sanguine temperament or phlegmatic temperament or choleric temperament or bilious temperament or nervous temperament or lymphatic temperament. The Episcopal church will do its most effective work with those who by taste prefer the stately and ritualistic. The Methodist church will do its best work among the emotional and demonstrative. The Presbyterian church will do its best work among those who like strong doctrine and the stately service softened by the emotional. So each denomination will have certain kinds of people whom it will especially affect. So let the work be divided up. There are seven hundred and fifty thousand Christians of the Presbyterian church, north, and other hundreds of thousands in the Presbyterian church, south, and all foreign Presbyterians, more especially Scotch, English and Irish, making, I guess, about two million Presbyterians. The Methodist church is still larger; the church of England on both sides the sea still larger; and many other denominations as much, if not more, consecrated than any I have mentioned. Divide up the world's evangelization among these denominations after they are persuaded it can be done before the Nineteenth century is dead, and the last Hottentot, the last Turk, the last Japanese, the last American, the last European, the last Asiatic, the last African will see the salvation of God before he sees the opening gate of the Twentieth century.

EVERYTHING IS IN CONDITION FOR THE CON-SUMMATION. Again, I feel the whole world can be saved in the time specified, because we have all manner of machinery requisite. It is not as though we had to build the printing presses; they are all built and running day and night, those printing religious papers (925 of those religious papers in this country), those printing religious tracts and those printing religious books. And thousands of printing presses now in the service of the devil could be brought and set to work in the service of God. Why was the printing press invented? To turn out billheads and circulars of patent medicines and tell the news which in three weeks will be of no importance? From the old time Franklin printing press on up to the Lord Stanhope's press and the Washington press and the Victory press to Hoe's perfecting printing press that machine has been improving for its best work and its final work, namely, the publication of the glad tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. We have the presses, or can have them before the first of January when the new decade is to begin, enough to put a Bible in the hand of every son and daughter of Adam and Eve now living, and if such person cannot read we can have a colporteur, an evangelist or a missionary to read it to him or her. But this brings me to the adjoining thought, namely, we have the money to do the work. I mean the fifty million of Christians have it. Aye, the two million seven hundred and fiftyfour thousand Christians have it; and the dam which is beginning to leak will soon break and there will be rushing floods of hundress and millions and billions of dollars in holy contribution when you persuade the wealthy men of the kingdom of God that the speedy conversion of the world is a possibility and that Isaiah and Ezekiel and Daniel and John will not stand in the way of it but help it on. I have no sympathy with this bombardment of rich men. We would each one be worth five million dollars if we could, and by hard persuasion perhaps might be induced to take fifteen million. Almost every paper I take up telis of some wealthy man who has endowed a college or built a church or a hospital or a free library, and that thing is going to multiply until the treasury of all our denominations and reformatory organizations will be overwhelmed with munificence if we can persuade our men of wealth that the world's evangelization is possible and that they may live to see it with their own eyes.

I have always cherished the idea that when the world is converted we would be allowed. to come out on the battlements of heaven and see the bannered procession and the bonfires of victory. But I would like to see the procession closer by and just be permitted myself to throw on a fagot for a bigger boufire And if you persuade our men of wealth that there is a possibility for them to join on carth in the universal glee of a redeemed planet, instead of laborious beseeching for funds and arguing and flattering in order to get a contribution for Christian objects our men of wealtth will stand in line as at a postoffice window or a railroad ticket office, but in this case waiting

for their turn to make charitable deposit, The Gentiles are not long going to allow themselves to be eclipsed by Mr. Hirsch, the Jew who has just given forty million dollars for schools in France, Germany and Russia. I rejoice that so much of the wealth of the world is coming into the possession of Christian men and women. And although the original church was very poor and its members were fish dealers on the banks of Galilee and had only such stock on hand as they could take in their own net, today in the hands of Christain men and women there is enough money to print Bibles and build churches and support missionaries under God in ten years to save the world.

Again, I think that the world's evangelization can be achieved in the time specified because we have already the theological institutions necessary for this work. We do not have to build them; they are built and they are filled with tens of thousands of young men, and there will be three sets of students who will graduate into the ministry before the close of this century, and once have them understand that instead of preaching thirty or forty years and taking into the kingdom of God a few hundred souls, right before them is the Sedan, is the Armageddon, and these young men, instead of entering the ministry timid and with apologetic air, will feel like David, who came up just as the armies were set in array and he left his carriage and shouted for the battle and cried: "Who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?' and with five gravel stones skillfully flung sent sprawling the bragging ten footer, his mouth into the dust and his heels into the air.

WHAT NOBLER CLOSE TO A GREAT CENTURY! My friends, what but such a consummation could be a fit climax to this century? You notice a tendency in history and 'all about us to a climax. The creation week rising from herbs to fish and from fish to bird and from bird to quadruped and from quadruped to immortal man. The New Testament rising from quiet genealogical table in Matthew to apocalyptic doxology in Revelation. Now what can be an appropriate climax to this century, which has heard the puff of the first steamer and the throb of the first stethoscope and the click of the first telegraph and the clatter of the first sewing machine, and saw the flash of the first electric light and the revolution of the first steam plow; and the law of storms was written; and the American Bible society and American Tract society were born; and instead of an audience laughing down Dr. Carey for advocating foreign missions, as was done at Northampton in England in the last century, now all denominations vying with each other as to who shall go the furtherest and the soonest into the darkest of the New Hebrides; and three hundred thousand souls have been born to God in the South Sea islands, and Micronesia and Melanesia and Malayan Polynesia have been set in the crown of Christ, and David Livingstone has unveiled Africa and the last bolted gate of barbaric nations has swung wide open to let the Gospel in. What, I ask, with a thousand interrogation points uplifted, can be a fit, an appropriate and sufficient climax except it be a world redeemed!

Yea, I believe it can be done if we get prepared for it, because the whole air and the whole heaven is full of willing help. "Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth?" We make an awful mistake if we calculate only on the forces we can see. The mightiest army is in the air. My brethren, so much of selfishness and pride and rivalry and bad motives of all kinds get into our work here that we are hindered. But the mighty souls that have gone up to the flying armies of the sky have left all imperfection behind; and these souls are with us and without a fault and with perfect natures are on our side. You cannot make me believe that after toiling here for long years for the redemption of the world, until from exhaustion some of them fell into their graves, they have ceased their interest in the stupendous conflict now raging, or that they are going to decline their help. Irenæus Prime! Honored on earth but now glorified in heaven, have you forgotten the work toward which you gave for more than half a century your gracious life, your loving voice and your matchless pen! No! Then come down and help. Alexander Duff! Have you forgotten the millions of India for whose salvation you suffered in Hindoo jungle and thundered on missionary platform! No! Then come down and help. David Brainard! Have you forgotten the aborigines to whom you preached and for whom you prayed until you could preach and pray no more, lying down delirious amid the miasmas of the swamp? No! Then come down and help. Moncrieff and Freeman and Campbell! Have you forgotten Lucknow and Cawnpore! No! Then come down and help. I rub out of my eyes the stupidity and unbelief, and I, the servant of these great Elishus in the Gospel, see the mountains all round about are full of horses of fire and chariots of fire, and they head this way. Hovered over are we by great clouds of witnesses and helpers! Clouds of apostles in the air led on by Paul! Clouds of martyrs in the air led on by Stephen! Clouds of prophets in the air led on by Isaiah! Clouds of patriarchs in the air led on by Abraham! Clouds of ancient warriors in the air led on by Joshua, and that Bible warrior at whose prayer Astronomy once halted over Ajalon and Gibeon seems now to lift one hand toward the descending sun of this century and the other hand toward the moon of the last decade saying: "Stand thou still till the church of God gets

the final victory!" THE WORLD IS BOUND TO BE SAVED. Then let us take what remains of this decade to get ready for the final decade of the Nineteenth century. You and I may not live to see that decade or may not live to see its close, but that shall not hinder me from declaring the magnificent possibility. I confess that the mistake of my life has been, not that I did not work hard-for I could not have worked harder and lived, as God knows and my family know-but that I have not worked under the realization that the salvation of this world was a near by possibility. But whether we see it, the beginning or the closing of that decade is of no importance, if only that decade can get the coronation and then all decades shall kneel before this enthroned decade, and even the gray grown centuries will cast their crowns before it and it will be the most honored decade between the time when the morning stars sang together as the libretto of worlds was opened and the time when the mighty angel, robed in cloud and garlanded in rainbow, shall with one foot on the sea and the other foot on the land swear by him that liveth forever and ever that time shall be no longer. Alleluia! Amen!

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