

just about everyt ing they could produce for ~~themselves~~ the next ten years was to go to pay the cost of the voyage, and they made great promises as to what they would pay, and they did their ve y best to carry out the promises. They paid certainly in full what the voyage cost, and a good bit more. The arrangement was made. They were to come over to this country and they were to establish a place here where they would be free from the restrictions of England and also free from the difficulties which they found in Holland. John Robinson put it up to his ~~company~~ congregation How many wuld like to go, and out of the congregation he found that the great majority while wanting to go yet felt that they didn't quite have the courage to face a new country several weeks' trip acr sss the ocean in a small boat with the terrible dangers and hardships which might be there and the lack of everything that seemed good t them. So while it was a comparative smally minor ity of his group which was willing to come, he felt that it was his duty to stay in Holland. He stayed there and died there in 1625, five years later. If it had not been for that, he said he wuld have come. He wanted to come himself, but he felt he should stay with the majoirty of his c ngregation. As his men were planning to leave, Robins n exhorted them to study the Bible, and he made that famous statement which has been so often repeated that he felt sure that God was yet going to cause new light to burst out of His Word. It is after all the source of our knowledge of spiritual things--the Word of God. There is far more taught in that Word than any human being has ever yet gathered from it, and there is the answer to every new problem as we face it. To me it is one of the great glories of John Robinson that he recognized this and that he stressed this, and this little group came over to make an attempt to form a settle-