

to the funds of your Society the sum of £29 7 11. We tender them our cordial thanks for their timely aid and for the energy they display in their Missionary labours.

To the Juvenile Missionary Society we tender our warmest thanks for the zealous manner in which they have worked this year; through their united efforts they have been able to place at the disposal of your society the large sum of £74 13 8.

In concluding this report your Committee would urge upon all interested in the cause of Missionary and Educational work the great necessity for continued exertion. It is only fourteen years ago that a little band assembled here to form this Society, and for the purpose of establishing the means of grace in parts of our Island then destitute of religious instruction; of the Committee then appointed, fourteen in number, only six now remain, and it must be gratifying to those pioneers (some of whom are now on the Committee) when they contrast the past with the present. Since that time ten Missionaries have been engaged by your Society, and of the work they have done you are all well aware. Hundreds are now feeling the benefit of their instruction, in many places where education was unknown they are now enjoying that blessing, in families where not one could read they can now sit round and hear the Bible read by their children. Still the cry is going out for more help, and it is our duty to stretch out the helping hand. We want to extend operations, and to do so we require the means; a slight increase in the donations from each member will amount to a great deal in the year's collection. We leave the matter with you, and sincerely trust that the ensuing year will be crowned with success.

We cannot conclude without referring to the very valuable aid rendered to our Missionary work by the St. John's Training School, still under the able guidance of Miss M. Good. The Teachers which continue to be sent forth from that Institution have made their mark as messengers of the Gospel as well as instructors of the young, and we look upon our Educational work as a noble auxiliary of Missions.

To the Colonial Missionary Society of England we render our warmest thanks both for their grant of money and the encouragement they give to our Superintendent; while to our tried friend, Mr. Neilson, of Motherwell, we acknowledge our continued indebtedness for his generous remembrance of the work of Christian Missions in Newfoundland.

W. J. BARNES,

*Secretary.*