

**MOOSELAND.**—This locality for a long period was very scantily supplied with Gospel ordinance, some not having heard a sermon for 9 months. During the summer a monthly service has been given by our Church, and according to their means the people have contributed liberally. Some interest is also taken in the cause of education. Though somewhat isolated, yet during the past 6 years, their school has been vacant only part of a term.

**BAY OF ISLANDS.**—Within the past two years there has been a considerable influx of population in this region. It is thought \$400 could now be raised for the support of a minister. A little aid from the St. John's and Harb'r Grace congregations with a supplement would insure the settlement of a Pastor in this neglected locality, and thus strengthen our cause in Newfoundland.

## Other Missions.

### Miss Whately's Mission in Egypt

At the recent meeting of the Midway Conference, Miss Whately gave the following account of her mission and schools in Cairo:—

She said their maxim had always been, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Many times there had been perplexity, but never despair, and his aid would be found the same in the future as in the past. The work had commenced in a very small way, and under many difficulties, chiefly owing to the indifference among the parents for the education of their children, and to the fact that, for a long time, Miss Whately had to labour alone, until some native women were raised up to give their help in the work. Now there are two large schools for boys and girls, the former being superintended by a Syrian gentleman, M. Shakoor. Miss Whately is now aided by her adopted daughter, Mrs. J. Shakoor, and a Bible-woman; and two hundred families are on their books for visiting. These are chiefly the mothers of her scholars. In the girls' school there are two hundred and thirty pupils, and in Miss Whately's own house are six boarders, who have been entirely given over for a term of years into her charge, and who are never away from Christian influences. In this way it is much hoped that future teachers for the young may be raised up. The Bible is constantly taught in these schools, and many of the children are not only well acquainted with it, but give great promise that the good seed of the Word has really

taken root in their hearts. Of two girls taken not long since to their heavenly rest, Miss Whately had the fullest assurance that they died in the Lord. There are far fewer difficulties for women to encounter in becoming Christians than men have, as they are not bound to attend mosques, are also never expected to talk much in their families, and can be Christians without openly avowing it. As has been said, one of the great difficulties at first was the persuaded the mothers to send their children to school; they could not see any good in it, and made constant objections. At last a little collection of girls was made; but these were constantly changing, few, if any, staying for any length of time. Now it is quite different, and there are thirty or forty who have been scholars for years, and are not content with attending all the week, but choose to come on Sundays also, although no secular instruction is then given. One blessed result of increased school-work is the large number of adults to be visited. A Bible-woman has been employed, and access has been gained to several harems. In these harems live the better sort of Eastern women, the others dwelling in mud huts. Miss Whately began her mission-work by going among the very poorest; by degrees children of the higher class began to attend her school, and thus the work has been upwards instead of downwards. The women of the harems had been very jealous of any stranger visiting them, but now many, who have never had a Christian woman inside their doors before, throw them literally wide open, and, inviting their visitor to a seat, ask for some of "the Book." Nothing surprises these poor downtrodden women so much as to hear that God loves them. In a kind of mechanical way they say, "God is good," but they cannot realise that He cares for them, or that He will hear prayer from them. The first few verses of Luke xi. rarely fail to affect them, they are so touched with the love and kindness of the Father. The work begun at Cairo, and which has been attended with such manifest blessing, is now extending, and at Damietta a school has been established for boys, and requests are constantly being sent that one for girls also may be begun.

### A Hindu Nicodemus.

In estimating the results of missions, some allowance ought to be made for those who have not the courage to speak out. See an instance given by Rev. J. Vaughan, Church Missionary Society, Calcutta:—

"I could tell you of a native gentleman who took me on the roof of his house and