

used to have headquarters at Pouce Coupe, but since he has given up the work no one has taken his place.

The Yukon field comprises not only the Yukon territory but also Cassiar, the most northerly district of British Columbia. This whole field has had a most thrilling and interesting history, in which the Church had a part. In 1874 gold was discovered at Dease Lake, but the Church's awakening had not yet come. When at length she was aroused by the passionate appeals of Dr. Robertson, her energies at first found ample scope on the Prairies and in the rapidly developing mining camps and coast towns of Southern British Columbia, but it was not until 1897 that she heard the Call from the North.

Mr. Dickie was first commissioned to represent our Church at Skagway. What it meant to stand for Christ and purity and righteousness amid the foulness of that frontier town, we cannot imagine. The place was the rendezvous for the scum of the coast cities. Its public life was dominated by them. There our missionary was for months the only public representative of righteousness in private and community life. His presence there reminding men of the best things in themselves and in their old life, saved hundreds from going down the line. The first missionary on the Teslin trail was Rev. John Pringle, who the next year passed into the newly discovered Atlin gold fields, where he remained for two and a half years. When he left Atlin the congregation had two church buildings and was completely organized. Atlin is now practically closed, but the Women's Missionary Society keep up the Hospital. Argyox has been ceded to the Methodist Church. This principle has been adopted throughout all our synod, that denominations shall be no longer competitors but united in the effort to provide gospel ordinances for the whole population. In East Kootenay we handed over the working of the Moyie field to the Methodist Church, and the Methodist handed over Hosmer to us. No important interest has suffered, while economy of men and money has followed. Arrangements were made for co-operative dealing with the needs of the non-English speaking people on the East side of the Crow's Nest Pass. Before this policy was adopted we had some very amusing as well as insane conditions. For instance, that of Hosmer. In that little town of 200 inhabitants four denominations entered in and began work, namely, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Church of England. In that little town of 200, of which 90 per cent. was foreign, three ministers were trying to live and do Christian work.

But to return to the Yukon field. Dr. Grant reached Dawson in May, 1898, and began the construction of a Church and Hospital. Only the light of eternity can reveal the importance of his work, preaching, healing, fighting for righteousness, almost alone in the heart of the conflict. We still have a self-sustaining church at Dawson, but