ing the week I attend the social means of grace and do other pastoral

But I am sorry to report a decrease in membership, caused mainly by the powerful temptations of unprincipled white men, whose illicit traffic in the deadly fire-water is too successfully prosecuted here. And those who are thus engaged in the work of the adversary are, of course, among the loudest in the out-cry against the cause of missions.

Our native agent, whose integrity and usefulness had been proved so long, has fallen from his steadfastness through the destructive liquor traffic. His unfaithfulness has caused a sad falling off in the

attendance upon our native services.

It seems imperatively necessary to have some one appointed to that work who could, from his head-quarters here, itinerate along the east coast of Vancouver Island, and so save our native cause from utter extinction.

Members, 7; on trial, 24. Total, 31. Cornelius Bryant.

## PORT SIMPSON DISTRICT.

Port Simpson	Thomas Crosby, Chairman.  Native Assistant under the Superintendent of Port Simpson.
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Kit-la-tamux	Native Assistant, under the Superintendant of Naas.
Bella-Bella	Charles M. Tate.

## PORT SIMPSON.

By the good providence of God we are brought through another year in connection with the work of God on this Mission.

Part of the year was spent in hard work on the Mission, and

the winter in visiting the Churches in Ontario and Quebec.

The various religious services in the Mission have been well attended when the people were at home, but having to go hunting, fishing, and working during the summer months, take many of our own people away; during that time large numbers of strangers are with us who come from all parts of the country for trading purposes; thus our Church is well filled in the summer season as well as in the winter.

Many more new houses have gone up during the year, and the completion of the new school-house is a good thing; and the poor people have nobly subscribed to the building of it. It was built larger

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