

## INDIAN MISSIONS.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

#### VICTORIA AND NEW WESTMINSTER DISTRICT.

THE Indian Mission of Victoria is under the vigilant and watchful care of the Rev. Wm. Pollard, who reports a membership of forty-one. Subject to so many allurements and dangers to religious life which are always found in a sea-port town, it is a subject of thankfulness that so many of these abject people are found attending the services which are held for their instruction in Divine things. Some, whose residence there has not been permanent, have found the Saviour of sinners, who came to save the lost, and have carried the joyful news of salvation into the interior, thereby exciting in the minds of distant tribes earnest desires for Christian teachers to show them how to escape "the wrath to come." From the first organization of the Methodist Church in Victoria, there were found zealous and willing souls, imbued with a missionary zeal, who have laboured and given of their substance to promote the cause of Christ amongst these Indian tribes. Many of these, both in life and death, have testified to His power to save to the uttermost.

Since the removal of Mr. Tate from his successful labours amongst "The Indian Tribes" of this District, we have to lament the absence of any special agency whose whole time should be given to this department of our mission work. Mr. Tate's acquaintance with the language of the people greatly facilitated his usefulness, and secured their confidence and love. His removal could only be justified by his occupying a wider field for his ministrations. It is to be hoped that an arrangement will soon be made to supply this vacancy.

IN NEW WESTMINSTER Mr. Robson, with his well-known diligence and love for the cause in which he has laboured so long and efficiently, gives sympathetic attention to the wants of the Indians within his reach, and from NANAIMO Mr. Bryant forwards the following statement:—

I preach here every Sabbath afternoon, after which a Sabbath School is conducted by several of our brethren from town. A prayer meeting and a class also meet in the morning and evening; and dur-