

EXTRACTS FROM REPORTS OF MISSIONARIES.

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I am very thankful to be able to report a very cheering state of things in this Mission. I arrived here in August, 1872, and, therefore, have been in occupation of the Mission a little over a year. During that period the Church has received a large accession to her numbers, in the shape of immigrants from Newfoundland, driven from that Island by the late failure in the fisheries. About 200 new members have thus been added, half of whom are Church people, the remainder dissenters. I am happy to say, however, that these latter seem all of them to be in process of becoming Churchmen, by the satisfactory channel of genuine conviction. At the same time it is true that the Church's Ministrations are the only religious ordinances within their reach. The Mission has now extended itself nearly 70 miles beyond its former limits, in a western direction. Last winter I travelled as far as Natasquan, about 100 miles west of Cape Whittle, which has hitherto been our terminus. But as at the first-named place there are only two individuals who are non-Romanists, I have thought it better to make Kegashka River, about 30 miles east of this, or 70 miles west of Cape Whittle, our usual limit in that direction.

The cause of the extension I have mentioned is the settlement of four new families on that part of the coast, three of whom wholly, and one partially, belong to the Church. I was in Kegashka Bay on the 15th of September, and was joyfully welcomed by the new-comers, who had only been there for a few weeks. The vessel which brought them had returned to Newfoundland for several more families, and her return was being anxiously expected at the time of my visit. Whether these have actually arrived I have since had no means of learning. In the neighbourhood of these settlers is another Anglican family, that of Mr. Foreman, whom I visited last winter, and who has been resident there for several years.

In all, 30 new families have arrived on this coast from Newfoundland (as permanent settlers), forming an addition of 197 members to the Church's flock. Two other families were here for a time, but have returned (one of them only temporarily) to Newfoundland. Another family has joined us from the northern part of the Labrador coast, making the total number of new settlers at present among us 203 individuals, in 31 families. This is a large accession for the