

at least, five hundred and fifty families looking to our church for ordinances for whom we can do nothing. Hear the cry that comes from these settlers, many of them poor and far from privileges. They are your brethren, "go and help them."

FOREIGN MISSION SCHEME.

As the season for holding the Annual Missionary meetings is approaching, the Committee desire briefly to bring under the notice of Sessions and Congregations holding such meetings, the claims of our Foreign Mission Enterprise. With the details they are already familiar, through the correspondence of our Missionaries and our Annual Reports. The field is widening and will require a proportionally increased effort in order to overtake it. It embraces now four distinct divisions.

The British Columbian. At New Westminster, the Capital, Mr. Jamieson has faithfully labored for nearly four years. A Church and Manse have been erected. Ordinances have been regularly dispensed. The people, as yet few and feeble have contributed during last year \$400, to our Fund, and have also remembered the College.

With self-denying devotedness, Mr. Duff has, for a year been laboring at Cariboo, commending to the Miners the true treasure hid in the field, which is more to be desired than gold. New districts such as Kootenay, are opening up, which, if we were able, it would be well for us to enter.

In this youngest of British Colonies, we are helping to lay the foundations of what may yet prove a strong nation. The outlay is necessarily considerable and may continue so, for some time, if we are to maintain our ground. The country has been in a transition state, and been sustaining a heavy financial depression which has checked emigration and business generally, but from its position and resources—let us hope that it will eventually surmount its present difficulties, and repay the labour and funds we have expended upon it.

II The Red River. To overtake the increasing work and extending fields in this oldest department of our Foreign Mission work, it is necessary that we have our present Missionary Staff kept up.

Mr. Nisbet who has laboured for over three years with fidelity and success, having accepted the call to labor among the American Indians, must have his place supplied. We are now on the look out for a missionary.

III. The American Indian Mission. Circumstances render it unavoidable that Mr. Nisbet should not proceed to Fort Pitt till next Spring, but he is making diligent preparation for the work. As a Church, we now stand fairly committed to what we have long contemplated, laboring for the conversion of the "poor Indians." Let the Missionary elect, and the 4,000 Crees, among whom he is to labor, be remembered by our people in their approaches to the Throne of Grace.

IV. The New Hebrides Mission. Last Synod responded to the earnest appeal from the Nova Scotian Church through her honored Senior Missionary, to co-operate in the distant field, where the Lord of the harvest has blessed her with so many golden sheaves. This fresh responsibility coming upon us at a time when our Indian Mission was just being started, will put our Missionary devotedness to the test—but we have no doubt as to our willingness and ability to meet it.

The expenditure for this year in connection with these four departments of our work will, in all probability reach six thousand Dollars (\$6000) less or more. But what is this for a Church of our size and resources? Ten Cents from each of our members is truly a paltry pittance at best to give to such a cause. God has been favorable to our land. He has crowned the year with His goodness. As a Church "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." We have