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MISSIONARY WORK AND SUBSIDIES.

The continued policy of your Board has been to endeavor to secure as large results as possible from the limited means at our disposal. It has been found from observation that in cases in which regular appointments are made and the Board becomes responsible for the entire salaries of our missionaries, there is in many fields a tendency to culpable indifference with regard to the matter of raising funds towards lessening the expense of such missions. The anxiety of the conscientious laborer is often allayed by quiet assurances given after the following fashion :- "You need not trouble yourself about collecting your salary. The Board is responsible for that; and they will foot the bill." To guard against contingencies of this kind your Board have, in most cases in which financial aid has been given, named a definite amount as the limit Whilst this plan tends greatly to diminish the of that assistance. apparent amount of receipts and expenditures connected with our work, yet we think the actual results are much larger than could have been secured in any other way, inasmuch as our funds have aided a very large number of weak and dependent churches.

Prince Edward Island .- The churches and missionary stations on P. E. Island were never more adequately supplied with earnest gospel laborers than during the past year. Bro. J. C. Spurr spent three months in missionary effort at Cavendish, Graham's Road and Belmont. He did good work, and his preaching was much appreciated by the people. Rev. J. B. Woodland subsequently took charge of the same field, where he continues laboring with much acceptance under regular missionary appointment. Rev. F. A. Kidson, having spent about twelve weeks in completing his mission at Dundas and St. Peter's Bay, became pastor of these churches, a subsidy of \$80.00 being granted to aid in his support. Bro. E. H. Sweet spent three months in evangelistic effort in the western section of P. E. Island. A gracious revival followed, during which a large number of converts were added to the church. As a result of this revival a new church was organized at Nutsford, and the interests at Alberton and Cape Wolfe were much strengthened. Rev. D. H. Simpson, aided by a subsidy of \$150.00, has carried on the work in that field to the present time. Bro. W. McGregor, formerly a Methodist local preacher, received a grant of \$50 00 to enable him to spend three months in pastoral work at Montague and vicinity. Rev. E. H. Foshay afterwards took charge of that field, and received aid to the amount of \$80,00 from our treasury. It is a matter of much satisfaction to your Board that the Island has thus been so well supplied with gospel ministers, and that the expense incurred has been almost wholly borne by the churches of that province.

Cape Breton.—The claims of the missionary fields in Cape Breton have been carefully considered by your Board. Some of our attempts to locate missionaries on that Island have been unsuccessful. Much good work has, however, been done. Rev. W. C. Rideout

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