

always with the pioneers of civilization, with all other advancement and progress, and now that it occupies the proud position that it does, in the United States and Canada, there is cause indeed for thankfulness.

The Honourable Senator's speech, of which the foregoing is but a meager outline, was delivered with great facility and earnestness, and diffused a happy influence throughout the large audience.

An Abstract of the Report was read by the Rev. Dr. WOOD, Senior Secretary, which showed cause for much encouragement; a synopsis of this embraces in the first section all the Indian Stations from Fort Simpson, British Columbia, to the Province of Quebec. In British Columbia there are 5 Indian Missions and 4 Missionaries, the general reports from which are encouraging; in the North-West Territory there are 5 Missions and 5 Missionaries, with one Assistant. At White Fish Lake, one of the five Missions, a day-school has been established with an average attendance of 36 pupils of the Cree nation. The projected new Mission, at Belly River, &c., has been temporarily arrested by the lamented death of the Rev. George McDougall.

In Manitoba there are 5 Missions and 4 Missionaries, with an Assistant; considerable success has been achieved here, the principal difficulty being the acquirement of the language. In Ontario the Society has 25 Missions, in Quebec, 2. The total number of Missions to the Indians throughout the Dominion is 42, with 31 Missionaries, 6 native teachers, and 6 Ministers who aid the Missions near their Circuits. These have a membership of 3,334, an increase within the year of 305. There are 8 different languages among the Indian Missions, which present no small difficulty.

In Japan there are two Stations, with Messrs. George Cochran and Davidson McDonald, M.D., to care for them. The Report is very full of particulars of the labours of the Missionaries here; their success is cheering. Then follow the German and French Missions. The French Mission is of especial interest. Brighter days seem to be dawning upon this part of the field.

The domestic Missions throughout the Dominion continue to show signs of spiritual life and power. The union of the Churches has, with few exceptions, been working harmoniously and with the happiest results. In the six Conferences there are 339 Missions, 383 Missionaries, and 36,472 Church Members. A recapitulation of all Missions, including Japan, shows the following exhibit:—

Missions, 422; Missionaries, 458; Members, 40,937. There are 30 day schools, with teachers, and 21 interpreters, the total number of the paid agents of the Missionary Board being 515.

The Rev. A. SUTHERLAND followed with the Financial Statement of Income for the year, which, including the \$10,000 legacy from the late Mrs. Jackson, of Hamilton, amounted to \$162,639 73. The Expenditure for the year was less than the Income by \$3,962 09, still leaving a debt against the Society of \$25,300. The key note struck at this, the first Missionary Meeting of the year, would resound throughout the Provinces, and, beyond the Rocky Mountains, to the sea; and he trusted such a note here would be struck as would redound to the credit of this large meeting, and stimulate the liberality of the whole connexion.

It was gratifying to hear the news which had come of the success in missionary labour in the Indian Missions; among the Indians were to