Deloraine.—This mission has ten appointments. Some of them are small and new, but will, doubtless, improve; and sometimes what is lacking in quantity is made up in quality. We have made progress in the different departments of our church work. While we accept aid from the Missionary Society, we are determined to raise the amount given in full from the mission. The mission will voluntarily take the stand of independence next conference year.

Napinka.—This mission includes what was known last year as "Napinka," and three appointments from the "South Antler" mission. During the winter months, Bro. Procunier attends Wesley College. Bro. Jamieson preaches four times every other Sabbath, and, by the help of Bros. Callender and McCurdy (local preachers), the work will not suffer by the absence of his colleague. The Quarterly Board is aiming at independence, and, we trust, will hit the mark in the May meeting. Reports will be far in advance of last year.

Elmore.—Here we have a part of the "South Antler" Mission, and new ground taken up since Conference. We are far from railroad facilities, and settlers are far from each other. Work now laying foundation lines, but will need aid for some time. We hope not beyond another year. There are many obstacles in the way of progress; by the help of the Lord we are overcoming some of them. Work is moving on the lines of improvement.

W. W. ADAMSON.

Alameda.—This mission was formed by the division of the old Moose Mountain Mission. We are able to report a slight progress on the old work, and three additional appointments near Alameda, and one at the Souris coal fields, a distance of twenty-five miles west, and an increase of ten members. The work this year is somewhat trying, owing to the depression caused by the failure of crops. We are looking forward in the near future to independence. C. H. Cross.

Carlyle.—This mission is a part of the old Moose Mountain Mission. Some advancement is reported. Improvement of the parsonage property, increase of membership. Finances are low, and will continue so, since Carlyle has poor prospects for the future. The land office has been moved to Cannington. Settlers are few and crops poor; yet we hope the time will come when we shall be able to speak more favorably of this field for a married man.

J. B. POWELL.

Hacts and Illustrations.

THE recent action of the Waldensians in refusing to give up their name and adopt that of "Evangelical Church of Italy," will, says the *Independent*, probably postpone for many years, if not defeat entirely, the proposed union of the Waldensian and the Free Church of Italy.

You never get to the end of Christ's words. They pass into proverbs, they pass into laws, they pass into doctrines, they pass into consolations, but they never pass away; and after all the use that is made of them they are still not exhausted.—Dean Stanley.

If one's economy grows steadily and alone, it will tend to dry up his charity; if one's charity grows steadily, it will dry up his means, unless balanced by the other virtue of economy. Therefore, let both grow together, then our giving will increase just in proportion to our getting.—Baptist Missionary Magazine.

A MISSIONARY to the Sandwich Islands says with much point that "going back to ancient heathenism is not the danger to which the Hawaiians of to-day are exposed, the danger rather being that they will drop into modern heathenism, and become what the slums of our cities are—permanently sensual, vicious, and criminal."

OUR Christian schools for girls are no small factor in the regeneration of Japan. The thousands of young women now under the instruction of Christian teachers will be a mighty force in coming years. Their children and their children's children will not have to unlearn the lessons their mothers have, but will be taught the principles of truth, virtue and morality from their infancy.

THE conquest of Upper Burmah by the British has opened the whole country for missions. Dr. Judson, President of the American Baptist Missionary Union, is making an appeal to the Sabbath-schools and members of that denomination for \$50,000. The providence of God is opening the ends of the earth and calling the church to enter. "The field is the world," and almost every corner of it is accessible for Christian tillage.

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