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OUR HOME MISSION FIELD.

We have from time to time published the Reports of several Presbyteries regarding the Mission field within their bounds. In this number we publish an interesting account of the extensive and necessitous field in the Presbytery of Montreal. When after perusing that carefully prepared report, the reader is informed, that besides these fields, there are other localities as yet wholly unvisited, and one or two districts where churches are built, and congregations once met for worship, in which the Presbytery of Montreal has been unable to maintain ordinances, for want of men and means, where the churches are closed and the Sabbaths are silent for many Presbyterian families, he will feel deeply impressed with the need of doing something immediately. The following facts, it is also hoped, will serve to stimulate the zeal, and call forth the liberality of all God's people who wish and pray for the prosperity of our Zion.

In the beginning of October, the committee for the distribution of Probationers met, and the same time the Home Mission Committee. As the result of their deliberations it was ascertained :

1. That there are *Forty-one* vacancies, and twenty-eight Probationers, to supply them. Arrangements were made for the visiting of these vacancies by the Probationers, with a view to settlement.

2. That all the Presbyteries of the Church had reported to the Home Mission Committee, except those of Brockville and Grey. That these reports contained statistics more or less full, of fifty-five Mission Stations, or groups of stations, and twenty weak congregations applying for aid.

3. That the total indebtedness of Presbyteries before April last was about \$2000, and that Presbyteries had come under obligations annually, amounting to about half that sum.

4. That only three men offered themselves for mission work during the winter.

We hope that our readers, and especially the ministers of the Church will consider these facts, and endeavour at the Missionary meetings to be held during the winter, to fix the attention of the Church upon the position of our Mission work.

We will require large contributions from our people, in order to set our