

## MISSION TO INDIAN IMMIGRANTS.

Report of Schools for Year ending Dec. 31, 1873.

NAME OF SCHOOL.	No. on Roll.			Average daily attendance.	OPENED.
	Asiatics.	Creoles.	Total.		
San Fernando.....	74	4	74	39	February 20, 1871.
Esperanza.....	29	4	33	17	June 2, 1871.
Marabala.....	17	14	31	10	June 16, 1871.
Union.....	12	7	19	8	June 15, 1871.
Palmira.....	16	15	30	14	August 2, 1871.
Picton.....	18	25	43	11	September 14, 1871.
Sevilla.....	28	2	30	20	September 22, 1873.
Wellington.....	32	24	56	17	January 7, 1873.
Jordan Hill.....	35	35	70	24	April 1, 1873.
Exchange.....	36	8	44	24	September 1, 1873.
Philippine.....	12	6	18	4	to be merged in San Fernando school.
Point a Pierre Head, } San Fernando.....	15	40	55	25	
Totals.....	323	146	469	199	

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS 1873-1874.

One year ago the agents under charge of this Board were *Ordained* ministers. Four, Rev. Messrs. A. Cameron, S. Bernard, J. A. F. Sutherland, and Samuel Archibald. Rev. S. McCully was added at Synod—making five. *Probationers*—Four, Messrs. Clarke, Thomson, Rosborough and Leishman, *Catechists*, (English). Twelve whose names being given in last report do not need to be repeated. During the summer we were aided by Rev. Messrs. A. C. Gillies, W. C. Young, J. P. Baikie, and Wm. Johnstone, from Ontario, also by Messrs. E. D. Miller, and John Wallace, who arrived from Scotland early in the season, Mr. H. McD Scott also arrived in the fall, and was speedily licensed and employed.

During the summer, the congregations vacant, and equally, our outlying stations were therefore well supplied, but in the fall season, the Divinity Students employed withdrew, when many portions of the church experienced a corresponding falling off, and in some cases a total failure, of the services regularly enjoyed from May or June 1st to September or October. Other changes occurred, Rev. Mr. Cameron was speedily settled as Pastor of River Side

Congregation. Rev. A. C. Gillies withdrew from the Board's service by acceptance of a call to Sherbrooke, Rev. Mr. Lees became the Pastor of Westville, and Rev. E. D. Miller was ordained as minister of the Congregation of Shelburne, and Mr. James Rosborough of Musquodoboit Harbour, Clam Harbour and Meagher's Grant, Rev. Messrs. Young and Baikie returned to Ontario, and Mr. Clarke was settled at Cape North, and Mr. Junor at Hamilton, Bermuda. More lately the number of our Home Itinerants have been diminished by the induction of Rev. S. Bernard to the charge of Noel, of Rev. J. A. F. Sutherland to the pastoral oversight of St. Croix and Ellershouse, and Mr. H. McD Scott to the charge of Merigomish.

We have, however, to notice the return to these Provinces, of Rev. John Gillis, from a distant mission field in connection with the American Presbyterian Church, to accept appointments, more especially among the Gaelic population. He is at present in Cape Breton, supplying the Congregation of Boularderie. Mr. M. McLeod having completed his term of study was transferred to the Presbytery of Victoria and Richmond, to be taken on trial for license. Mr. James Bryant, Licentiate of the American Presbyterian Church, has also been accepted as a Missionary for the summer, and is now employed in New Brunswick. The lists of Preachers and of Catechists are appended.

## THE TWO DEPARTMENTS OF WORK.

Having referred to the number and varied grades of our labourers, let us for a few moments glance at our field of Missions. There are two leading departments in the work, the one first to be named being less strictly Missionary than the other, though not less important. It is the providing supply to vacant congregations, so that the Gospel may be preached to them, and preached by men who are in a position to be called and settled as Pastors. Of such congregations, there have been about 24 during the past year, five in Halifax Presbytery and five in Picton, two in Truro, three in P. E. Island, three in Cape Breton Island, one in Lunenburg and Yarmouth, and five in the Presbytery of St. John. The Board are much gratified that this number has been considerably reduced, although the success of the Congregations calling, involves a corresponding reduction in our force. Every settlement effected to the satisfaction of all parties, involves not only regular supply of preaching on the Lord's day, but the formation of the Pastoral tie, which the Lord himself has ordained, and which He has largely blessed in all lands and in all ages, for