

that the Indian population of the whole province is 1407 ; of whom 1046 are in Nova Scotia Proper, and 361 are in Cape Breton. The number in each county on the 28th March, 1861, was as follows : but as they so often move from one county to another, it cannot be relied on.

Halifax,	71	Kings,	80	Lunenburg,	38
Colchester,	61	Annapolis,	94	Hants,	113
Cumberland,	51	Digby,	128	Inverness,	68
Pictou,	169	Yarmouth,	29	Richmond,	28
Sydney,	96	Shelburne,	44	Cape Breton,	148
Guysborough,	88	Queens,	84	Victoria,	17
Total,					1407

This showing an increase of 33 per cent over that of 1851.\*

In view of all these facts, let us ask ourselves what is our duty as professors of the religion of Jesus? *The Cross will conquer.* By the conquering influence of Divine love, success is certain ; we may fail to accomplish more, but the promises of a faithful God are pledged to accomplish His purpose in the salvation of sinners. This mission has been honoured to make known His word and great work to those who long sat in thick darkness and the shadow of death. In its first conception, the attempt was a glorious one, and as it was God-honouring so God has honoured it. But even if failure had been discovered to be certain, rather will we be found with the little company who would buffet the tide of popular prejudice, the cold storms of unbelief, and the apathy of those who refuse to contribute help by a small offering from their worldly goods, to reach the shattered vessel sinking in

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\* The returns of the Indians show an increase of 33 per cent. during the last decade. There were 1056 returned in 1851 ; while the present returns give 1407. The names, as far as they could be obtained, were taken by the Enumerators, and all at the same time, so that the present Census is reliable. Owing to the migratory habits of this portion of the population, it is difficult to obtain anything like a correct return, unless taken simultaneously. The prevailing opinion is, I believe, that the Indians are not increasing in the Province ; if this opinion is well founded, the full number could not have been given in 1851.—*Census of Nova Scotia, 1861, page 10.*