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Missionary Work in the Diocese of Nova Scotia

THE WORK OF EXTENDING THE KINGDOM IN THE SCATTERED
FARMING DISTRICTS, THE ISOLATED FISHING VILLAGES,
THE MINING HAMLETS AND THE INDUSTRIAL CENTRES
OF OUR OLDEST DIOCESE.

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"Missionary work in Nova Scotia !?" exclaims the reader with a big exclamation mark and an equally big note of interrogation; "why, Nova Scotia is our oldest diocese, the premier overseas diocese of the whole Anglican Church, which in 1910 celebrated the Bicentenary of the first continuous services in Canada according to the use of the Church of England, by the opening of the magnificent Cathedral Church of All Saints in its see city of Halifax, Kipling's 'Warden of the Honor of the North !'" Yet in spite of its antiquity (as things go in Canada) Nova Scotia, in which is included the Island of Cape Breton, and for ecclesiastical purposes the Province of Prince Edward Island, is in very truth a Missionary Diocese and as real missionary work is being done (and more is yet to do), within its borders as anywhere else in the whole Dominion. Moreover, some of its clergy have shown as great missionary zeal and as devoted a spirit of genuine self-sacrifice as is to be found anywhere in the annals of the heralds of the Cross.

A glance at the last issue of the Diocesan Year Book reveals what to many, both within and without the Diocese, will be a startling fact, that while there are now thirty-four self-supporting parishes, there are no less than seventy-nine parishes and missions in receipt of financial aid in order that the Gospel of Christ may be preached and the sacraments of His Church duly ministered within their borders. In addition to its apportionment of some eleven thousand dollars which the Diocese loyally seeks to meet for the work of the M.S.C.C. among the settlers of the Canadian West, the Eskimos and