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## AGENT'S REPORT.

*To the President and Committee of the Nova Scotia Auxiliary Bible Society :*

GENTLEMEN,—In view of limiting our printed Annual to the one cent postal rate, my report of Branch visitation will again have the economic virtue of brevity.

My first journey began on March 9th, and ended on May 5th, a few days being lost by heavy snow storms. During that visit I addressed fair meetings at Shubenacadie, Maitland, Lower Selma, Noel, Moosebrook, Walton, Chevaree, Burlington, Brooklyn, Onslow, Belmont, Middle Stewiacke, Lower Stewiacke, Upper Stewiacke, Otter Brook, Newton Mills, Dean Settlement, Upper Musquodoboit, Elmsvale, Middle Musquodoboit, River John, Scotsburn, Hopewell, Ferrona, Springville, Bridgeville and Pugwash. As we have no active Branch at Shubenacadie, I collected as usual from the principal families in the village. The same, I may say of Maitland, where I find almost steadily diminishing annual contributions, owing chiefly to the failure of its wonted shipbuilding and other once profitable investments.

Newport has not yet made full returns, owing I think, to the continued absence of the esteemed Secretary of that Branch.

I have not yet seen any returns from Springside, but it is sure to come, for nowhere has our society stauncher friends than in the Valley of Stewiacke.

I formed a new Branch at Hopewell and received its first fruit of \$12 from the congregation of St. Columbia Kirk on the Sunday I presented the Society's aim and work among the nations.