

assume proportions more gigantic still? God forbid! If there is work to do, our Master has given us a commission to do it. He gives us the means to do it. He takes away from us every excuse for not doing it. Our Church has not been idle. Our Catechists have laboured with great success, exploring creeks and coves and little islets that were rarely if ever visited before by a gospel-worker. These humble messengers of our Church have been welcomed often with tears, and their efforts have been owned and blessed of Heaven to a degree that seems clearly to settle for us the path of duty for the future. Our young students seem in every respect well qualified for pioneer work. They have tried it and succeeded beyond expectation. Their usefulness is a call to the Church from her glorious Head to send forth more labourers of the same class to the same field. There is work enough for scores where at present there is but one solitary toiler.

Our Home Mission work is widening on our hands. We need many more labourers if we are to do our part in the conquering of our country and keeping it in subjection Heaven's Great King. Education is now spreading with unprecedented rapidity among our youth; and this of itself paves the way for the preacher of the gospel and the catechist. Schools without Christ make infidels. The schoolmaster is an invaluable co-worker with the evangelist. The one cannot do his work well without the other.

Every Christian, every member and adherent of our churches, should be himself a Home Missionary doing something to promote the Redeemer's cause. Never can justice be done to our religion in any community till this holy and benevolent propagandism pervade the members of the church. If you cannot by personal effort do much for Christ and for souls, then help others to do the work for you. Help the Home Mission Board of our church which has done so much already, and which is now doing more than ever. Help it to send forth more Catechists and preachers, and thus to lift up the Standard of Christ in those dark places in our land, where hitherto His name has been almost unknown, or at

best a charm to be used in sickness or in the hour of death!

All of us, the poor and the rich, the humble and the high, the young and the old, can do something towards the evangelization of these Provinces, the overthrowing of the Man of Sin, the dispelling of moral and spiritual darkness, and the gathering of souls into the Redeemer's fold. Let us ask, Lord what wilt thou have me to do?—and having received our Master's orders, carry them out with all diligence. It is thus alone that we can keep abreast of the tide of infidelity, superstition and worldliness that is rolling in upon the country. It is thus that we can prove ourselves good soldiers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SYNOD'S DEPUTATION TO NEW BRUNSWICK.

This deputation, consisting of Rev. Robert Sedgwick and Rev. P. G. McGregor, left Picton early in August, and commenced their work at Chatham, Miramichi, where, in conjunction with Rev. C. B. Pitblado, they dispensed the Lord's Supper on Sabbath the 11th. Dr. McCurdy, the pastor of St. John's Church, Chatham, was absent in Scotland on account of illness. The deputies preached to several congregations of the Church of Scotland as well as to our own people, and their services everywhere were acceptable in the highest degree, and we may add, *profitable*. On Monday, after the communion at Chatham, appropriate addresses were delivered by the deputies with regard to the object of their mission. The result was highly satisfactory.

From Chatham Rev. Mr. Sedgwick proceeded with Rev. Thomas G. Johnston to Blackville, and Rev. P. G. McGregor proceeded to Restigouche to preach for Rev. Messrs. McMasters and Nicholson.

BLACKVILLE.

A member of the deputation writing to us of Blackville, says:—

Being comfortably seated for the evening in the Manse of Blackville, we learn from Mr. Johnston that this is the smallest and weakest half of his congregation, the chief part of the population being Roman Catholic. In fact there are some tributaries to