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LORD, bless and pity us, shine on us with thy face,
That the earth thy way, and nations all, may know thy saving grace.—*Psalms lxxvii. 1, 2*

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OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE P.B.N. CH. OF NOVA SCOTIA

The Home operations of the Board have, however remote. Indeed the outlying districts have peculiar claims, not so much as during the past year, exhibited very little of stirring interest beyond the usual routine of receiving and answering correspondence from Missionaries; and the remittance of monies for their Salaries, and the various contingencies of the Mission. The equipment and departure of our Fourth Missionary Rev. S. F. Johnston required frequent meetings during the earlier portion of the year now elapsed. Under the direction of Synod, the Presbytery of Truro, after receiving and approving the various parts of Trials assigned him, preceded in due course to ordination. The interval occupied in the preparation of these Trials and ordination services, interrupted of necessity the arrangements made by the Board, prior to the Synod and Presbytery's action in the matter; but care was taken that such disappointments as did occur were as speedily and fully removed as time and opportunity permitted. It has always been matter of great regret that with all the best arrangements that could be made by the Board, and all the faithfulness and zeal of our several Missionaries on the eve of their departure from us, there should remain unvisited any portion of the Church,

however remote. Indeed the outlying districts have peculiar claims, not so much as to the prosperity of the mission, as to the healthful influence thus imparted to the minister and people who are called to look upon and listen to the outgoing missionary. The Board are painfully aware that many ardent friends of the mission are situate in the extremities of the Church, where rarely if ever the voice of any of our missionaries has been heard, but it ought not to be less apparent to these brethren, that the period which intervenes between the acceptance of the missionary by the Synod in June, and his departure in the fall of the same year, is too limited by far to admit of any other than a partial visitation of the Churches. To accomplish even that which has been accomplished, much careful arrangement was needful on the part of the Board, and very great fatigue, both mental and bodily, on the part of the missionary. It is highly gratifying to know that the pecuniary results of Mr. Johnston's visits have enabled us to meet the necessary expediture of his outfit and passage, and that of his lady, without any serious demands upon the General Fund. It is not less gratifying to know that while Mr.