

Churches willing to devote their lives and talents to the Mission cause? The fields are white and inviting, large and ample the money in our hands, grace is in our hearts to give, but there is no one ready to say, "Here am I, send me." We desire to impress this weighty truth upon all our Churches through their delegates.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. MARTELL, *Chairman.*

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REPORT ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Though your Committee are impressed with the belief that the command, to preach the Gospel to every creature, is world-wide in its scope, yet they consider its practical bearing to be more particularly applicable to those among the spiritually destitute, who dwell in our own land, and who, as God seems to indicate by his Providence, are special objects of our Missionary efforts. They believe too, that the Gospel commission is as much directed to the Church collectively as to the heralds of the Cross individually.

With these views your Committee are of opinion that the Churches and destitute Settlements along our southern shore, where the labors of our Missionaries by the Divine blessing have been so successful during the past year, have peculiar claims upon us; and furthermore, that Springfield, New Albany, and Dalhousie are inland localities which should be especially cared for. The letter from the Springfield Church read at the opening of the session, accompanied by "the widow's mite," could not fail to touch our sympathies. Though the amount sent was small when compared with the munificent sums forwarded by several of the larger and more favored churches, yet when pecuniary ability is considered, it may be that this feeble church has "cast more into the treasury of the Lord than they all!"

Your Committee are of opinion that the operations of our Domestic Missions, should not be exclusively confined to that part of our province which is comprised within the limits of our Western Association; and, that our Board should exercise its discretion as heretofore in sending the Gospel to other parts, of our beloved country—especially among the Gaelic population, where Brother Ross's labors during the past year have been signally blessed of God. As

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