

be best to disjoin Grand Bay from Fairville. For we find within three miles of Grand Bay ten Presbyterian families who have been long neglected. Mr. Valentine has diligently visited and has reported the families' names with the number of children. It is very plain indeed that Grand Bay requires more attention, and it can have it by disjoining it from Fairville and connecting it with Nerepis and Jerusalem, thus working three weak mission stations and thereby erecting a congregation which eventually will become self-sustaining.

Our people in Salina are very anxious to have a minister settled in their midst, but hitherto the field was hopelessly weak, and every attempt has ended in failure; but things have come about in one way or another that it is now possible to arrange a congregation of considerable strength and at the same time not unmanageable as to size.

Norton, as you are aware, has been connected with Springfield, which left Campbell Settlement out in the cold. Now our people in this last mentioned station are ready and willing to unite with Salina in supporting a missionary. And a mission station which drew every summer an amount sufficient to supplement the congregation to the minimum stipend will be obliterated, or in other words \$155 paid the mission station every autumn, is very little less required from the Board to place a missionary in the congregation for a year.

In Riverside we have a mission station isolated and neglected. Our people cling tenaciously to a hope, often frustrated, that one day they will have a minister settled over them. The congregation is weak in numbers, but it is a congregation that has always paid its bills a hundred cents on the dollar, and so far as I know

does not owe a cent. An ordained missionary is available at the present time, and not only available but willing to undergo at least a little hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, and I know the Presbytery will give the field every possible consideration.

Our North End mission has been wrought continuously since it was first opened. While I cannot report any large growth, yet the prospects and needs are such as to warrant Presbytery to continue to operate it in connection with Rothesay, either as a catechist or ordained missionary station.

In the eastern section of the Presbytery no re-arrangement of stations has been effected, and Augmentation and H. M. are still drawn upon for a sum not less than \$900. A possible re-arrangement was proposed, and all our people, with the exception of Dorchester, expressed their willingness to give the re-arrangement a trial. Buctouche and Scotch Settlement were willing to reunite; Shediac expressed its readiness to join with Dorchester; Sackville was left out in the cold, abandoned to perish, and at the present time it it would not be worth while to attempt to open a preaching station in Sackville.

The Presbytery will be pleased to hear, I am sure that the H. M. S. of St. John's Church, Moncton, undertakes the support of an ordained missionary within the bounds, pledging \$150 per annum. The example set by St. Paul's, Fredericton, and St. John's, Moncton, might well call forth the emulation of several other congregations equally as well situated for the support of missionaries in the field.

If the Presbytery shall decide in its wisdom to adopt the recommendations of the H. M. Committee the whole field for the summer will be