

respect. They are not offended to be told their faults; and, on the whole, there is much to interest and encourage.

The hesitation manifested by the committee, with regard to the carrying on of the mission, the unwearied annoyance and opposition of the Bend Kirk minister, and other things, together with the badness of the times, have all militated against the success of the mission; and the fact that it has succeeded as well as it has, amid all these discouragements, is a strong reason for its prosecution with energy and decision.

To do so, in my opinion, it will be necessary for the committee to place the missionary independent of the people; to get them to help the missionary funds as much as possible; the erection of a new church as soon as practicable; and to restore confidence to the neighborhood with regard to the determination of the Synod to carry it on.

In a few years, with the divine blessing, there is every reason to think that a nice little congregation would be raised at Shediac, and a station formed in a very important locality for meeting the wants of the surrounding settlements. But should the mission be allowed to drop now, it is the opinion of many that the Synod need never attempt to renew it.

I generally preach three times on the Sabbath, and as often during the week as I can.

JOHN IRVINE DUNLOP.

There can be no doubt regarding the importance of Shediac as a missionary station. Prior to entering upon it as a field of labour, our attention was drawn to it by a letter received by one of the members of the committee from a member of the Prince Edward Island Presbytery, intimating that if the Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick had no objections, the Presbytery of P. E. Island would establish a mission in Shediac. Your committee had previously had an eye on Shediac as an important field, and believing that the church would be unwilling to have it supposed that she was less zealous for the common cause than any other neighbouring church, resolved, if possible, to take up Shediac as a missionary station. Convener of committee made a visit to the place, preached in it, and found several people

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