NICOLA VALLEY AND KAMLOOPS.

Although the spiritual aspect of the work on this mission is not pleasing, there are, we think, sufficient reasons to encourage us as a Church to go forward.

Last year the Clinton Mission was severed from this one, and an additional minister appointed to the remnant, but the lines of our work still extend 250 miles, and we travel 500 miles in order to visit every part of the field but once. Fortnightly services have been given to four appointments in Nicola Valley, monthly preaching to Spallumcheen and Okanagan, and occasional visits to outlying settlements. The population is steadily increasing, and at Spallumcheen it has about doubled during this year. Hitherto the Canada Pacific Railroad has not affected our work, but this year the work of construction must bring in many who may become permanent residents.

The people all around call for more frequent religious services, while at Spallumcheen and Kamloops, which are natural centres of two new missions, they are now very anxious to have a minister of the Gospel residing among them. Separate them, and Nicola Valley will then be a mission with six preaching appointments.

Although the amount expected for ministeral support has not been received, we are not discouraged, though in difficulties, for, including Clinton Mission, nearly \$2000 have been collected for all purposes from the same people that gave but \$300 last year. Our work is steadily growing, but in order to retain the vantage ground gained for our Zion by the "Circuit riders" of the past, an additional preacher must be sent, and this mission speedily divided into three.

In every part of the field there are indications of good being received through the preached Word. We both know that God is with us. Welcomed to every settler's home and to every bachelor's cabin, we often feel the special presence of the Master while we plead in prayer, or speak of the salvation that is possible through faith in a personal Saviour. The Indians in Nicola Valley have of late been urgently requesting us to give them the "Good Word," but our hands are too full to do much for them. Members, 17.

J. P. BOWELL. R. B. HEMLAW.

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Brother George Ferguson, a hired local preacher, has sustained the services upon this mission during the year. He reports the congregations as well attended, and Sabbath-school work in a good condition. The people earnestly desire the Conference to send them an ordained minister, in order that those ordinances of the Church, of which they are now wholly deprived, may be enjoyed by them as in former days. Members, 7.

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