

made up of whites together with Eskimos and Indians. During the summer months the population of the Labrador is increased by some twenty thousand (fishers and their families) who live on their boats during the fishing season; they are Newfoundlanders, Cadians, French and Americans. The interdenominational, non-sectarian and international character of this work is self-evident.

On this Coast Dr. Grenfell found an honest, simple people, totally uneducated and without schools, earning by diligence a precarious living through fishing, furring and sealing, and carrying on their trade mostly through a system of barter.

The question is often asked whether this population is worthy of the effort expended on it; The answer seems to be that they are a sturdy self-reliant people who are unhappy when taken away from the Coast and who contribute, far out of proportion to their number to the wealth of the world in food and furs.

As to the promise which this work holds out for the future, it might be stated that already, as a result of this Mission, a marked economic change has taken place in the condition of these people. Schools have been established, the contributions of the people themselves to the Mission Hospitals have increased, and the foundations for further industrial developments and better social conditions have been laid. To-day when the trend is toward civilization in cities it would seem that any enterprise which tends to help people in a country where their sturdy qualities and personal resourcefulness are developed is