

gle between Christ and Anti-Christ, of the downfall of error, and of the consequent renovation of the world seems fast advancing. The signs of its approach begin to appear. "Arise, O, Lord, let Thy work appear before Thy servants, and let the whole earth be filled with Thy glory." "Gird Thy sword upon Thy thigh, O, most mighty, and ride prosperously, because of truth, and meekness, and righteousness." Let the prayers of Thy people come up before Thee as incense, that the great voices may soon be heard. Alleluia for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready." Then shall the Redeemer see, &c.

LABOURS OF OUR COLPORTEURS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1873.

Colportage work has been vigorously, and for the most part successfully carried on throughout the many necessitous portions of our field, and the reports of these arduous toilers bear cheering evidence of much encouragement and kindly hospitality from the people amongst whom they have laboured, together with incidents scattered here and there, in which they have been permitted to see somewhat of the fruits of their labours. In only one instance has the work been interfered with. The Board of Directors after long effort succeeded in obtaining a young man qualified by his knowledge of both languages, his earnest piety, and his amiability of character for labouring amongst the mixed—English and French—population in the neighbourhood of Sault Ste. Marie and throughout the District of Algoma. We regret to say that through the active hostility of the Roman Catholic priests,—shown by the burning of Bibles, unrelenting persecution of the colporteur and those aiding him, and many threats held out against him should he persevere—this mission has for the present been rendered vacant, though not abandoned. The violence of the opposition shown to it by the priesthood only reveals to us more fully the value of the agency, and we trust soon to have it again in operation. We give below a tabulated statement of the labours of our colporteurs.

Name	Field, Counties	Time employed	Miles travelled	Visits made	Copies so.d.	Copies given away
Jos. Strain	Grey, Bruce & Wellington	12 months	1560	3300	1478	36
Wm. McPhail	Ontario, Victoria, Simcoe	12 "	3150	2620	1034	222
Jas. Leatherland	Perth.	2 "	400	575	153	5
Philip Sparling	"	2 "	170	456	236	9
Jas. Badger	Parry Sound District	2 "	200	121	142	17
Jno. Finlayson	Prince Edward	1 "	140	317	115	2
Fr. Rouleau	Algoma	6 "	1450	860	255	134
Jno. Lowry.....	London Auxiliary		3724	6471	2250	
Jno. Crombie..						
			10,994	14,750	5,743	425

We expect shortly reports from our colporteur in Manitoba. The information will be given in a future number of the *Recorder*.

OPERATIONS OF THE DEPOSITORY DURING THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1873.

Issued to Auxiliary and Branch Societies, to the Trade, &c.—Bibles, 14,923; Testaments, 16,444; Portions, 76; Portions for the Blind, 3—total, 31,446.

Issued to Colporteurs.—Bibles, 1,420; Testaments, 2,656; Portions, 160—total 4,236. (Of these, 207 Bibles and 234 Testaments were gratuitous.)