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"Whoso is wise and will observe these things, even they shall understand the loving kindness of the Lord."—PS. cvii. 43.

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."—JOHN xiv. 13.

DURING a recent visit to Montreal we were privileged to spend a pleasant hour in our French Methodist Institute. Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Hall are greatly encouraged in their work, and we could not but rejoice with them in the tokens of God's favor so manifest among the pupils. Fourteen young men and boys had stood up for prayer the previous Sunday. There is, we believe, a great and glorious future before this institution if it shall become, as we expect, a training school for French Canadian missionaries.

OF the strength and stability of Romanism in Montreal, there is no lack of evidence. What piles of masonry in churches and convents! How numerous; how costly; what high, solid walls; what extent of land; what wealth they represent, what power political, what power Jesuitical! Exempted from taxation, their proper burdens are forced upon a too forbearing people; and while the provincial coffers are low indeed, the Church is becoming a vast treasure-house. Will Romanism in Canada ever yield to the sway of a pure Christianity? We hope for this because we have faith in God. If all the forces of Protestantism would unite in earnest in the large

centres of Quebec, opening mission halls properly equipped with libraries, reading rooms, magic lanterns—this new factor in mission work—and with nightly gospel meetings, or entertainments and simple lectures for the great masses of the ignorant and superstitious, winning them to thought, enlightening them on the great truths of the Bible, much good might be done. Of course the Protestant churches are there, giving gospel teaching abundant, but to the Romanist these, as churches, are forbidden ground, and so far as reaching Catholics, practically useless.

THE confessional, with its ear in every home, is the power that enthralls the masses. The heathenism of Popery is worthy of study, but, alas, we are, as Protestants, more alive to the heathenism of Buddhism, than to that which threatens our liberties, absorbs our treasure, controls our Governments, dishonors our Bible and yields its steady allegiance to the Priest on the banks of the Tiber.

IN this connection we would call attention to the pamphlet published by our Society, entitled, "Why are we Protestants?" The author is one of our members, and in this little work Mrs. C. Ross has thoroughly and concisely exposed the false teachings of Rome. We hope our Women's Missionary Society members will read it, and so become more alive to the serious need, the absolute duty that we, as followers of Christ, owe to our sisters and brethren, our fellow Canadians, bound in the bonds of a worse than Oriental heathenism; worse because it assumes to be Christian.

DR. FULTON, of New York, was holding meetings during our stay. He is earnestly laboring for the conversion of Romanists. We were present when it was announced that one who had abjured the old faith, had become a loved and useful worker for Christ, had suddenly disappeared, and there were reasons to believe he had been immured in a convent. A discussion revealed that steps were being taken to find him, but the conviction was strong with many that until in Canada we get Government strong enough to enact and enforce a regular Government inspection of all convents and monasteries, the helpless ones within those massive walls are beyond the reach of hope. For them, all the machinery of Governmental protection, the heritage of all subjects of our country, exists in vain. Horrible thought!

THIS month our prayer subject being the "French work," we commend these thoughts to our sisters and would urge constant, fervent and believing prayer that God, the all-wise, may endue all Protestantism in Canada with the needed wisdom, grace and strength