

MONTREAL STATION.

In the beginning of May last Mr. Lafleur returned from his trip to Europe and resumed with Mr. Therrien the missionary work in this city. In case the impression should obtain that two laborers are scarcely needed for the work here we shall say that in connection with Montreal we have had all this time to provide regularly St. Constant and La Pigeonière fortnightly, St. Isidore once a month and Grande Ligne very often during Mr. Roussy's illness and still more so since his death. In fact at times, even with the help of our students, we scarcely know how to meet all these appointments.

The meetings have been well attended, especially on Sunday. On week days the distances are too great for many to attend evening meetings, which are seldom large. We have again experienced the painful result, as in former years, of losing some of our best families by emigration to the United States or to some other part of Canada. Thus our little church and congregation has to be constantly replenished by new conversions from Romanism. We had hoped that before presenting this Report we should have several baptisms to record, but circumstances have removed some who will be baptized at Grande Ligne, and others are waiting for a friend or two to join them.

The important matter of a convenient and central church edifice seems to have made a little progress, in so far as having obtained a few good subscriptions here and in Boston, where Mr. Lafleur visited a few friends of the cause. A friend has promised to make an effort in New York on behalf of this object. If successful, a circular will be sent to England where a number of Christian friends have also promised to help in this matter. Montreal is as hard a field as it is an important one. We have here a good footing in several respectable families.

A work of colportage and evangelization was begun and continued for some time by Rev. Mr. Therrien accompanied by Mr. Millar, a student in this city, with encouraging success. We will let Mr. Therrien speak of it:—

“Last summer Brother Millar and myself devoted some time to the work of colportage in Montreal. We went from house to house, carrying with us New Testaments, tracts and papers. We