

more, and among them were two Roman Catholics. \* \* \*

The method of operations of the Tract Society and the Sunday School Union is just adapted to meet the wants of this country. Mr. Gregg, the minister at Quio, said to me, as I was leaving, "Tell the people at Montreal that they are doing a great and good work, and that the Lord will bless the seed that they are sowing on this truly missionary ground." \* \* \* \* \*

In accordance with the wishes of the Directors of the Tract Society and Sunday School Union, I shall proceed to give you an account of the manner in which I have spent my time while employed in the service of those Societies. You will expect this to consist mainly of a simple statement of facts, without any attempt to enlarge upon, or discuss them. \* \* \* \* \*

I commenced my labors in the south-west corner of Bristol, C. E., a distance of perhaps fifty miles west of Ottawa City, on the north bank of the Ottawa river. This part is settled mainly by Presbyterians, a few Roman Catholics, and some Methodists being interspersed. Here I found little to do for Sunday Schools. The Rev. Mr. Wardrop has lately been ordained pastor of the Free Church, and takes an active interest in the Sunday School connected with his Church, which School receives a very general attendance. I made sale of some of the helps in my possession for the use of the School, and advised with him on the best method of conducting Schools. This School is now in healthy operation.

Clarendon, the township adjacent to Bristol, on the west, has a mixed population of Methodist, Church of England, and Presbyterian. This was my principal field. I should think that the number of professing Christians was about the same as in Clarendon, and that part of Bristol which I canvassed; perhaps three-fourths are members or close adherents of the Evangelical Churches. \* \* \* \* \*

There were, or had been, Schools in every section where it was possible to establish them when I entered the field. But in most instances they were quite inefficient. On inquiry, I have invariably found much room for improvement. I have tried, by conversation with teachers and superintendents, and by addresses to Schools, so far as in my power, to effect this improvement. With one exception, I found all not only willing, but glad to be advised with. Some have wholly revolutionized their systems, while others made minor changes.

Soon after I entered Clarendon, I found it necessary, passing over a certain road, to put up at Portage du Fort. On making inquiry with reference to their Sunday School, I found that they had had none for nearly one year. I inquired why the Sunday School had been thus abandoned, and was directed to the last superintendent. The cause of failure was evident. The defect, or rather the entire lack of system in the conduct of the School, had probably ministered more to its mortality than any other cause. After conversing with a number of the principal men, and hearing some find fault with every one else, while they were confessedly much in fault, I