No. 19.

REPORT OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, December, 1883.

SIR,—I beg to submit my Report for the year ended the 1st of July last.

The state of my health having forced me to absent myself from the Penitentiary a great part of the year, it would be difficult for me to enter into all the details of the spiritual progress of those under my care.

Besides, I am aware that on some points my views on the administration of a penitentiary do not in all coincide with the views of those in authority. Hence, I believe the advisability for me of remaining silent on matters which time and experience alone could remedy.

Let me add that no class of men require a more intelligent treatment than the criminals, and that those qualified to apply such a treatment are not easily to be found,

During the year just ended, nothing of great importance has come to my knowledge. The conduct of the convicts in the chapel has been generally good. The school has not received all the encouragement which, in my opinion, it should have received, owing to circumstances which I could not control. The books of the library have been always in great demand.

The chapel, when completed, will be one of the finest in all public institutions. Thanking you, Mr. Inspector, for your constant courtesy towards me,

> I remain, Sir, Your obedient servant,

J. U. LECLERC, Priest.

J. G. MOYLAN, Esq., Inspector of Penitentiaries, Canada.

No. 20.

REPORT OF THE PROTESTANT CHAPLAIN, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1883.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PENITENTIARY, 2nd July, 1883.

SIR,—I have the honor to present my Report for the year ended 30th June last past:

No. on books 1st July, 1882 " admitted during the year " transferred from Roman Catholic Chapel	41 16 1	
" discharged by expiration of sentence pardoned escaped	15 2	58
" remaining on books		18 40