

gence with which the duties of these brethren were discharged, and the excellent spirit which marked their conduct and correspondence.

At the close of their labors, an interesting Public Social Meeting was held in Montreal to receive the reports of the Colporteurs; and the statements made by them were most satisfactory. The principal results will be here presented, and the details will be found in the Appendix:—

1345 Volumes were sold for cash, £81 17s 8d: 412 volumes were granted to destitute families, £17 10s 10d. Number of families visited, 954; of which 24 were Roman Catholic; 123 were habitually neglecting Evangelical preaching; 41 were destitute of the Bible, and 210 had no religious books except the Bible.

As already stated, it was the purpose of your Committee to prosecute the work among the French population. In the month of May we obtained the services of one of the Colporteurs of the French Canadian Missionary Society, Edward Jamieson, who has labored until the present time with laudable zeal and industry amid many discouragements, and we trust good will result. He was accompanied for one month by Israel Mathieu, a French Canadian. Mr. N. Le Marchand also labored for three months with success. The whole amount of Colportage labor is equal to 18 months of service by one man.

#### VISIT OF THE REV. DR. DOWLING.

The Committee, feeling the pressure of the still existing debt on the energies of the Society, resolved to invite the Rev. John Dowling, D.D., of New York, to visit Montreal, and to preach on behalf of the Society. With this invitation he

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