

the work of all present, I could speak of past and present times, and could now point to what God had wrought, I felt it to be a rare honour to myself and a strong encouragement to us all.

"I am sorry to say the National Protestant Church of Bohemia, particularly the Reformed, has assumed a hostile attitude towards the work of the Moravian Brethren.

"Soon after my return from Bohemia, I wended my way to the Tyrol. First, however, I visited the Chrischona Institution, which has supplied us with some such valiant labourers, men truly decorated with the Cross of Christ and belonging to the King's Legion of Honour. My object was to fill up some gaps.

"This institution is now going to take up the work of Evangelization in some parts of the country, and this is just the thing needed. Many are the individuals scattered over the country who, through the reading of the Scriptures, have been led seriously to inquire after the way of salvation. The Chrischona Institution is going to send in their harvesters. One is going to Croatia, another to Slavonia. God speed them on their way!

"The American Congregationalists, too, are thinking of taking up this kind of work, and most welcome they will be. From a little national pride, I only regret that the British are so drowsy in this matter.

"On my way from Chrischona, I passed through Vorarlberg to the Tyrol. A year and a half ago, you know, we had a good work going on there, so good that the priests of Rome cried out as for their very lives, placarding every church and chapel door with solemn warnings to the faithful, and holding up to the public scorn and vengeance the Government official who had ventured to sign his name under the colporteur's licence. The consequence was, that the authorities were intimidated, and when the term ran out, it was not difficult to find a reason why it should not be prolonged. My endeavour now was to remove this obstacle, and I confess I paced the streets of Innsbruck with a heavy heart. But to the praise and glory of God, I may say, I fully succeeded. It was the work of a few minutes. Our valiant Colporteur Ranch is already at work again, and at Kufstein has at the very outset met with such success that our hearts are overwhelmed with grateful amazement. We have had to send him box after box. Unto God be all the praise!

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"During my stay in the Tyrol, I was able on more than one occasion to collect a few individuals around the blessed Book, among them one whose sister had some years ago been compelled to quit the country because she would no longer go to confession nor to mass. Some of these good folks have read their Bibles with profit; with some I have been astounded at the clearness of their views. Some are not far from the kingdom of God. In all, to my regret, I have found an intense hatred, a supreme contempt of the Romish priesthood.

"My intention was to have made an attempt in South Tyrol, too; but for this my time was not sufficient.

"In Carinthia, where our Colporteur Royer stands his ground like a lion, the excitement raised and fed by the priests is such that, dreading for the dear brother's life, I have repeatedly advised him, pointing him to Bible precedents, to withdraw for a time to a quieter region. Bible-burning goes on so vigorously that the colporteur hesitates as to the propriety of bringing more copies within the reach of the enemy. You may remember this is that part of the country where, a few months ago, the colporteur's books were confiscated, and he condemned to a fine of five florins.

"I would now turn to Galicia, where Colporteur Hausler has also had his battle with the authorities, but where he was acquitted, as his opponents could not prove their point. Here, to my utter surprise, the authorities have now given written permission for colportage in the full sense of the word, and this for two men.