

others are seeking their way out of darkness. During this summer 110 Romanists in Montreal have published their recantation in a letter to their Parish Priest. In a Parish near St. Hyacinthe and another near Murray Bay, important movements have taken place. Several male and female members of the R. C. Church have lately published their protests against the errors of Rome. Will the Canada Presbyterian Church, with all her wealth and missionary zeal, contribute the sum necessary to send some one to instruct and fortify these new disciples of the gospel and to lead inquirers to Jesus Christ?

4. It should be remembered, and distinctly explained from all our pulpits, that by the action of the General Assembly the collection now sought is the same as was in former years given to the French Canadian Missionary Society. And in order to enable the Committee to hand over a proper balance to that society, the sum of at least three thousand five hundred dollars should be realized. And this is but a trifle when spread over our entire Church. Surely a Church of over forty thousand members will not offer so little to the Lord for the overthrow of "the mystery of iniquity," which has done so much to blight our country and our world. Our Church is manifestly called, in the providence of God, to give the gospel to this people, and the French Canadian Missionary Society has, at this moment, special claims upon our liberality. In its Colportage work, which extends from Ottawa to Gaspé, the Society employs steadily ten Colporteurs, who circulated last year over 1300 copies of the Scriptures, and 15,000 religious tracts and books. In the Educational Department, including the schools at Pointe aux Trembles, eight teachers have been employed, and in the work of evangelization, besides the Rev. Mr. Chiniquy, two parties are engaged. In connection with this effort there are about 34 stations where Divine Worship is held at least once a month. The General Assembly agreed last June to transfer the Kankakee Mission to the Presbyterian Church of the United States, and Father Chiniquy now labors in Lower Canada in connection with the French Canadian Mission. The Committees anent this transfer are yet to meet, and it is earnestly hoped that their negotiations may prove successful. Let the response, therefore, to this appeal be such as will enable the Assembly's Committee to aid that French Canadian Mission in a becoming measure.

N. B.—Collections to be promptly forwarded to Warden King, Esq., Craig street, Montreal, or to Rev. W. Reid, Toronto, and to be carefully designated for "French Evangelization." In case anything should prevent the collection being taken up on the Sabbath named, it is earnestly requested that it be taken up as soon after as possible. ALL CONGREGATIONS, by decision of Assembly, are to take up this collection. Bible Classes and Sabbath Schools may remit as above.

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THE RELIGIOUS ASPECTS OF THE EUROPEAN WAR.

All social convulsions, destitute as they may be in themselves of any religious character, exert an influence upon the religious world. It is not necessary that a war should be begun in a fervour of devotion, or that its end should be the means of procuring great ecclesiastical changes, in order to invest it with interest in the eyes of the Church. The watchman on the towers of Zion can look beyond the actions of men to the purpose of Him who directs all the affairs of the world. He may not see very clearly,