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complete peace and harmony. We are forced to largely reduce the number of members returned last year. But having cleared the Church of many who were a drawback, and having peace and harmony, we now look for the blessed Spirit and for true prosperity. Members, 76; on trial, 4; total, 80. Baptized, 7; buried, 9. We shall wait and watch for help from Heaven.

H. BAWTINHIMER.

CHRISTIAN AND BEAUSOLIEL ISLANDS.

During three weeks' sickness the Sabbath services were kept up by the native exhorters. Some of these Indians are often heard in class and prayer-meetings expressing gratitude to the Lord for the favour of hearing God's Word. Last Sunday being Quarterly services, every seat in our church was occupied, and it was a season of refreshing. A class-meeting is now also held on Sundays on the Potawatamic part of the settlement. A young woman was baptized this spring whose guardians are pagans. A Sabbath-school scholar, just before he breathed his last, said to his parents, "I am going away. I am going to God's rest." The day and Sabbath-schools have been kept up. The unsettled state of the past winter prevented us from attending Beausoliel Island. However, an early visit in the spring was appreciated by the 14 members on that Island. A new dwelling-house is much needed on this Mission. We dropped 2; removed, 1; members, 92; on trial, 3; total, 95.

ALLEN SALT.

PARRY ISLAND, SHAWANAGA, AND FRENCH RIVER

The various points on this extensive Mission have been regularly visited by the native assistant, Brother Elias. We are thankful to be able to report a small increase of membership. A Sabbath-school has been organized at Shawanaga, which, as well as the other schools on the Mission, has been kept open during the winter as well as during the summer months. Two of our Indian brethren have passed away happy in the Lord. Members, 98.

JAS. WOODSWORTH.

INDIAN WORK IN THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE.

Our Indian work is still a work of life and salvation. This is witnessed at Oka, at the Cornwall Island, and at Caughnawaga, despite the influences of Satan and his emissaries employed persistently against it. Recent revival services at Oka resulted in the conversion of some twenty-five Indians, while at the Island, also, several have been brought to a knowledge of salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. At Caughnawaga a steady advance is observable. Joseph has completed there his translation of the Gospels into the Iroquois language, and the Bible Society is having them printed for the benefit of the Indians, generally, who speak that language. The history of this work is a remarkable illustration of how God can "make the wrath of man to praise Him."