

Three-quarters of a century since, Montreal men of noble aspirations gathered together to devise means whereby "our Canada" should be more fully reached by the Word of God. No one of us can fully grasp the changes since that day of small things. Montreal herself has expanded most marvelously. In the country also has the solitary log house, with its trough roof, changed for the frame house, and that in its turn for the stately brick or stone mansion. The rivers and streams have been broken to harness and run mills everywhere at our bidding, and beautiful churches have arisen for the proclaiming of Christian truth. Canadians have built and endowed magnificent universities for the further up-building of the rising generations of a loyal, intellectual race of men and women worthy of the soil which has fed and nourished them. Yet, let us remember that one of the greatest factors in this beneficent change has been our Montreal Bible Society, which has quietly, unostentatiously placed the Bible in every village and settlement at a nominal charge, and in fact has given freely of the money at its disposal to every enterprise for increasing Christian effort in the diffusion of the Word among the poor and friendless of our own race and also to our French-Canadian brethren alike in town slum, in country cottage and farm house, and backwoods shanty. Our Canadian needs absorb most of our funds, but with increased liberality and means we could do far more for the dear old British and Foreign Bible Society in its world-wide work amongst the "fields white for the harvest of the Lord."

Still, there is no more important field in the world than Canada, which God has in his providence entrusted to us, His people, to win for Him our neighbors, still so ignorant of the Word of God.

Dear Friend,—Will you not join our ranks and help us liberally in this, God's work?

The Montreal auxiliary has circulated, up to 1894, 803,659 copies of Bibles and Testaments.

With the best wishes of

Your brother in Christ,

HENRY GOMERY.