

The Preparatory Department, or College School, will re-open in the beginning of August, under the charge of competent masters. The Fees in this Department are as follow :

TERMS PER ANNUM.

For Tuition in English Reading, Writing and Arithmetic, for Pupils under 12 years of age,	} £4 0 0
For Pupils above 12 years of age,	
For Tuition in all the above Branches, together with Geography, English Grammar, Composition, the Latin Rudiments, and the use of the Globes,	} 6 0 0
For Tuition in all the above Branches, with Lessons in the Classics, Greek or Mathematics,	
An extra charge for Drawing.	} 8 0 0
All fees payable quarterly in advance. A deduction of 25 per cent is allowed on the Tuition fees of parents sending more than one scholar.	

This Department is under the superintendence of the Professors, and is visited by them as often as their other duties permit. The Course of instruction is conducted so as to prepare the Pupils for entering with advantage the Classes of the College.

By order of the Senatus Academicus,  
 GEORGE ROMANES,  
 Secretary to the Senatus.

FRENCH PROTESTANT MISSION.

The Treasurer of the French Protestant Mission has addressed a Circular to the Ministers of our Church, from which we make the following extracts :—

“As the next meeting of the Synod is approaching, and a Report is required to be given in on the state and prospects of the French Protestant Mission in Canada East, which will be accompanied with a list of defaulters, I beg you will use all diligence in forwarding me without delay the arrears in the way of Collections in behalf of that very important and interesting Scheme of the Synod. I may state for your information, that the Mission is at present £250 in debt, which requires to be liquidated immediately, and that, owing to the arrival about nine months ago of two additional Missionaries, the annual expense of maintaining the present staff of labourers, cannot be calculated at less than £300.”

“It is hoped by the Committee, that you will perceive the propriety of urging upon your people the necessity of being liberal in making up deficiencies, so as to maintain their own credit with the Church, and to preserve this Scheme from being abandoned.”

“Surely it behoves the Ministers and Members of our Church to consider the duties and the responsibilities of the Committee appointed to superintend this work undertaken by the Synod. How can the Committee work without means? Money is absolutely required to carry on business. Let the serious question be put both by Ministers and people to their own hearts, whether, as a Christian and Protestant Body, we have done or are doing our duty. As Christians, we profess to seek the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom by endeavouring to bring others to

honour Him as the only Mediator between God and man; as Protestants, we profess to feel grateful to God for freedom from the errors and false glosses of a Popish system, foredoomed of God, we believe, to perish, and to pity our deluded fellow subjects held in the thralldom of mental and spiritual ignorance of that truth which alone can make them free. Assuredly it will not redound to our honour as a branch of the Scottish Zion,—the Church of our Fathers—a Church distinguished for adhering to the Truth, and contending for the faith once delivered to the Saints, if we show an unwillingness or lukewarmness in supplying our neighbours, the Votaries of Romanism, with that spiritual instruction which they know not in consequence of following the commandments of men. If we do not exert ourselves to convey to others the mercies we ourselves enjoy and profess highly to prize, we are evidently contradicting our profession, undervaluing the high designs of the Gospel, and not performing our duty as Christians. Trusting that your early attention will be paid to this matter, and that I shall soon have a remittance forwarded to me from your Congregation, &c.”

We trust that this earnest appeal will prevail on Ministers and people in places where little or nothing has been done for the Fund to lose no time in forwarding their contributions.

In connection with the above, we feel much satisfaction in translating a few paragraphs from the letter of a Missionary of the “French Protestant Mission,” dated May 22nd.

Our little French reunions still continue in the Schoolroom of ———, the audience amounting from 12 to 20. This is small, but tolerable for a place where the whole Protestant population speak the English language, and where every one considers it a duty to remain inviolably attached to the congregation which he has adopted. Not being a minister, and not having a suitable place of worship, I ought not to hope for striking success. My work is not that of a minister, which I beg of you to keep in mind. My utmost desire is to advance the kingdom of God among the Canadian Roman Catholics by visiting them from house to house, to instruct them in the truths of Salvation, and to induce them to accept the Gospel of God, which can conduct them to Him who has given his life a ransom for many.

I have already had the honour of acquainting you with the difficulties that must be surmounted among this ignorant and superstitious people. These difficulties present themselves under every form—wicked replies, abusive language, mockery, threats, a manifest contempt for the Holy Scripture, and ridiculous profane questions. Such are the materials

that present themselves to the servant of the Lord when he goes from house to house to preach Salvation and offer the Word of life. But God, who is rich in consolations, comforts him: He supports him, and becomes his strong refuge in the time of need. The priests are enraged; they have charged their flocks to refuse our books and words. They have even enjoined them to chase us with infamy from their houses; and, as an instance in point, 50 person at least were ready one day to fall upon me, and the entire end of a street had agreed to throw me down (*terrasser*). God enabled me to be firm, and I spoke to them seriously.

Good weapons are necessary for fighting in the good war, but none has put his hand to the work to furnish us with them. I must wait upon the “French Canadian Missionary Society,” in order to obtain religious tracts by means of which we can have access to individuals. By these little compositions the people are enlightened, and their prejudices and ignorance are dissipated by being disposed for the more comfortable reading of the Holy Gospel.

Such a work is without noise, without display (*eclat*), and without show; but it is precious. Satan knows it, and opposes it fiercely. I will not fear, knowing that I am approved of God, and that it is the work of an Evangelist. This is the time of small beginnings; the soil must be broken up, then sown, and in the time of His good pleasure He will give the increase. Let us pray together, and take courage, that the Lord may accept the work of our hands, and that He may be pleased to bless it to many souls, and to the glory of His great name far beyond what we can hope or even think.

Four times a week we hold conferences with the Canadians; a good number come and enquire about religion. Perhaps some good will result therefrom.

PRESBYTERY OF MONTREAL.

The Presbytery of Montreal held its last Quarterly Meeting in Montreal on the 3rd ultimo, and was attended by nine Ministers.

The business before the Court was chiefly of a routine nature, in considering matters remitted to the several Presbyteries by the Synod, and to be reported at its next meeting in July next.

Mr. Stewart, Missionary, being present, reported that after six months' Missionary labours at Frampton, Leeds, Inverness, &c., the people of Frampton were anxious to be formed into a Congregation and received as such within the bounds of the Presbytery according to the necessary forms. It was resolved that Dr. Cook and Messrs. Shanks and Thom be appointed a Committee to visit said Congregation, to ascertain its condition, and to get the necessary doc-