

## MONTREAL STATION.

"It is gratifying to witness the steady, though slow, development of our work here. Statistics carefully kept show from year to year a regular increase of numbers in the membership of our church and in the attendance upon its services." Thus did our report begin last year, and the statement holds good this year also.

During the year eighteen persons were added to our church, five by letter and thirteen by baptism. Five of these were once Romanists, two were converted from that faith this summer, and two others still, who were converted about the same time, are soon to confess their faith by baptism.

Among the many families to whom Mrs. Scott has taken the Bible there are some which are making it a subject of earnest study. Five or six of these have received us at different times when we met with them for the purpose of expounding the scriptures. These meetings were intensely interesting. The freedom and the cordiality which prevailed and pervaded the meetings, the earnestness and the evident anxiety which possessed every soul made these gatherings occasions long to be remembered. One intelligent and devout woman, mother of a family, who seemed to be hungering for the truth, has now found peace in believing, and is laboring to bring her husband into the light. While the doctrines of Romanism were freely discussed and forcibly shown to be at variance with the teachings of the Bible, the spirit which prevailed was that of charity, and each meeting closed with prayer and with the singing of hymns in which our Catholic friends heartily joined.

At our last gathering, a man who had lately married a very intelligent and dignified woman was present with her. He had been invited by his sister in whose house we had gathered, but had not been informed of the nature of the meeting which was to be held. When he found out what it was he was greatly disturbed in his mind and feared, at first, his wife would be offended. In order to free himself from any responsibility of the situation in the eyes of his wife, he manifested utter indifference in the beginning of the evening, only breaking silence to utter a joke or to raise a senseless objection. But when reproved by his sister for so doing and when he perceived that his wife was deeply interested

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