

we were the first. But his duty did not permit him to stay any longer, and he went away with the hope to meet again in the evening. At about nine o'clock on the same night, as I was reading in the cabin, I heard some persons coming down, but did not notice them until they asked me what kind of a book I was reading. Being told that it was the life and sufferings of our Lord Jesus Christ, they thought that it would be a very interesting book to read, and were sorry that I had only one on board. They requested me to read a few chapters. I selected and read Matthew v., vi. and vii. chapters, of which they were delighted. After the reading I was requested by the young man who spoke to me during the day, to lead him in prayer, and he asked his friends if they would join us—they replied that they were willing if he was willing—and we all prayed together. Have I not reason to thank God to have listened to and granted the prayer of a poor wretched being as I am? Glory be to His holy name! We continued our prayers, morning and night, until we arrived at our destination, and I parted from them as from dear and deeply regretted friends. I gave to each of them a Testament, and the captain offered me one dollar if I would learn him by heart one of my prayers, but I told him to read the little book that he had in his hands carefully, and that God would guide him by his spirit and teach him how to pray.

JULY.

I sold during this month 6 Bibles, 25 Testaments and 22 Portions. While I was at Rimouski I saw that a few ships were loading in the harbor and I resolved to go on board, with the permission of the Captains. These gentlemen not only granted me permission to visit them but were so kind as to send their boat on shore for me every time I was willing to go. I found that those sailors were not better than those I visited before. As they were mostly all English and that none of them could speak French except one who was a Frenchman, and could not read—I did not succeed as well as I might have desired. I was happy enough, however, to see a few of them anxious to receive the Bible, who a short time before would have disdained to look at it. For the first time in my life I felt sorry that I could not master the *English language at my wish*.

On board the ship *Regent*, I met with a young man desirous to study and to be useful in the world. I had occasion to meet him very often and to discover his good dispositions for the cause of Christ. The Captain told me that his conduct was irreproachable. I am poor, but I am willing to do all in my power to help that poor disciple of Christ. I am willing to impose upon myself any sacrifice and to suffer all human privations if necessary for his cause—for I know that in a short time he will help me to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ amongst my dear countrymen. I asked him how he would like to do missionary work and to walk from ten to fifteen miles a day, distributing the work of God in our heathen land? He answered that it was the most glorious work that a man could be engaged into. I hope that I will be able with the Grace of God and the help of Christian friends to place means into the young man's hands—that he may resume his studies for the great work of evangelization—and before long, he will devote his time and help to spread the Bible truths all over our dear Canada. I have applied to the F. C. M. Society for his admission at Pointe aux Trembles school, and I am waiting for a favourable answer. I paid a visit every day to the poor family which I described in my last. I have already seen the happy results of the word of God in the midst of that family. The woman was surprised to see that the Church of Rome did not agree with the teachings of Jesus Christ,—that she forbid the reading of the Gospel, while Jesus, by his Apostle John says:—"Search the Scriptures; for in them ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." (John v., 39.) She said that there was nothing said about "Purgatory, confession of sins to the Priests,