

attendance from fifteen to fifty at times. As a first result, nine new converts were publicly baptized in the river, before a large concourse of people, protestants and catholics. Everything passed off very quietly, and with a certain sense of solemnity. Things seemed to go along smoothly until an insignificant incident, a quiet conversation of our *Colporteur Gendreau* on the public square, was the occasion of a so called tumult and his arrest. He was condemned by the local magistrate to pay the cost and penalty; the judgment appeared so unwarrantable to our Board that the case was appealed, but supposing it was all right, pending the decision of the higher court, our friends there neglected to pay the cost or to give bail for it. On the strength of this neglect, and out of sheer chuckling malice, our Colporteur was arrested and put in jail where he remained three days. It may easily be imagined what our missionary reformers would have to suffer, if we were not under the protection of a great Protestant Government. As will be seen further on, the work is still going on encouragingly in Sorel.

The Feller Institute has been in excellent working order, and were it not that our dear Principal was for several months incapacitated by nervous prostration, mostly as the result of intense labor, we could have mentioned its sessions as one of the most successful scholastic years of our establishment. However, as the Grande Ligne missionaries have some fellow feelings and some devotedness, brother Massé's work was not entirely dropped. His pastor and colleague, Mr. Parent, came to the rescue, taking several of his classes, and brethren Therrien and Lafleur from Montreal, went there often to preach and thus relieve the pastor of some of his work of preparation for Sundays.

The Feller Institute closed its session by the end of May, after very successful examinations. In the month of March, the pastor baptised eleven believers, nine of whom were pupils in the Institute. Three of them went out to engage in the work of evangelization in different parts of the field. The number of pupils during the term was: average 107, total number 122.

We feel truly grateful for the measure of success granted to our labors during the past twelve months. There has been regular preaching in our established stations, evangelistic preaching and colportage in new places, Bible women work in Montreal, Ottawa and Quebec, besides special services in several of our stations. The immediate result in actual addition to our numbers by baptism has been 37.