

souls that had been drawn and enlightened were converted and saved. May we not continue to labor with that glorious result in view?

As we have already intimated, it would be a great mistake to suppose that Roman Catholicism in the Province of Quebec actually stands for a compact mass of sincere believers in its doctrines and practices. The political arena has abundantly shown during the past year or two, that the people dare to oppose the clergy in political and educational questions. Many of them who boldly say to their priests: "confine yourself to the work of your ministry, to your church and sacristy," would go further if their wives, mothers, and daughters had not been educated in convents, if they had not nuns as sisters and priests as brothers. But they are fettered, and hampered by this entanglement. With the knowledge of the Gospel, and the Spirit of the Lord upon them, some day they will be able to say to the priests: "We don't want your ministry any more. We go directly for guidance to the Master and to His Word."

Meanwhile it is our duty and privilege to do all that is in our power to give the light, to rouse what remains of the weakened conscience, after the long centuries of the teachings of that church which continues to be a strange mixture of christianity and paganism.

In summing up the results of this year's work, we cannot but be encouraged. All our fields and churches have more than kept their own, with increasing congregations, and forty persons have been baptized, quite a number having received the ordinance at Grande-Ligne while pupils of the Institute. Gospel light and words of truth are thus constantly radiating, while we see only a part of the results. Through the special efforts of evangelization proper, as in the work at Quebec, in the *salle evangelique* in Montreal, the visits of the Bible-women, and the services lately held in the Ottawa valley, thousands have heard repeatedly the pure Gospel from the lips of different preachers; now with strong reasoning in favor of the truth, and again with touching and tender appeals to the soul and conscience, surely all this sowing of the pure seed of the Word of God, all this yearning of soul for souls, was not wasted on barren soil.

On behalf of the board,

THEODORE LAFLEUR, *Secy.*

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