

Scholars on roll, 140. Amount raised by the people, \$640. Debt on property, \$950. Valuation of present property, \$2100.

The church is well organized with prayer meetings, Senior C. E. and Junior, S. S. Teachers' class, Ladies' Association, etc., in active working order.

QUEBEC PROVINCE.

MONTREAL, PT. ST. CHARLES.—Rev. D. S. Hamilton, B.A., pastor. Report of work from July 4th, 1896, to May 1st, 1897, inclusive:

Average attendance at morning service about 125; evening, 200 to 250. This is better than last year's average, which was given in the YEAR BOOK as 200. Our weekly prayer-meeting has averaged 25; Senior C. E., 20; Junior, 35. The Junior Society has shown marked progress, as the average, 8 or 10 months ago, was not more than 20, and now is 50.

The Ladies' Aid Society contributed over \$70 to the funds of the church. The Ladies' Missionary Society has held monthly meetings; distributed *barrels*; paid the membership fee of \$10, *for the first time*, to the "Woman's Board." Nine additions to the church membership, four men, five women. The church joined in November last with the Methodist and Presbyterian churches, in a series of union evangelistic services, under the leadership of Mr. Gale, of Boston. Although there were few conversions reported among our people, as a result many of the church members received a spiritual quickening. Good work is being done in our Sabbath Schools; and with our energetic Superintendent, Mr. Chas. Cushing, and an excellent staff of teachers and officers, the school promises to increase in numbers and usefulness.

I have made over 300 pastoral visits during the period under review, and the members of the Deacon's Board and of the Church Board have also done considerable visiting in their respective districts. I feel that visitation on the part of deacons and deaconesses should be largely engaged in, if the best results are to be reached. There are about 175 on our church roll; a careful revision would considerably reduce this number.

Probably the chief event in the history of the field during the year, has been the separation of the Institute from the Church. This separation was unanimously endorsed at the annual meeting in January last. While many were disappointed at giving up the Institutional feature of the work, it was felt that the wisest thing to do in the interest of the work in general was to carry out the plan of separation.

Spiritually, I believe the cause is in much better condition than it was ten months ago. There is a wide sphere of usefulness for the church in this section of the city.

MONTREAL, WESTMOUNT.—Rev. Robert Hopkin, pastor. On the 9th June, 1896, Mr. Hopkin and 26 members, together with a representative council of the four churches of Montreal, duly organized Bethlehem Congregational Church, Westmount. By

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