

financial year. There were, however, at that time, considerable arrears due, which, when paid, more than swallowed up the entire balance. It is estimated that the expense of the Mission for this year will not be less than it was for the last year. A considerable amount of the past year's income was, besides, obtained by special efforts on the part of Mr. Chiniquy, a step which the Committee deemed necessary, by reason of the collections coming short of the requirements of the Mission; such effort will, they trust, be unnecessary this year, by the more liberal contributions, and more general taking up of collections in the congregation. When it is considered that upwards of 200 congregations, more than one half of the whole Church, made no collection last year for this Mission at all, and some of these too, the largest and wealthiest in the country, it will be seen how easily the amount necessary to sustain this important Mission could be obtained, were all to implement the instructions of Synod. It may further be noted, that the Church in Canada, bore only about one-half of of the whole expenses of the Mission for the past year; as may be seen by a reference to Mr. Chiniquy's own accounts published in the May number of the *Record*. This large measure of assistance was obtained partly from Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick, and partly from the Mother country—contributions which we can scarcely hope to be continued from year to year. By means of these funds a large accumulation of arrears, which burdened the Mission, were swept away, so that now our only obligations are well known and easily estimated current expenses.

As to the law-suits, about which so much solicitude is felt, there are only two now pending. The costs of these have, however, been paid up to the end of last year, and what further have been incurred since then are but trifling. At the worst these suits will not entail any great cost on the Mission. They are both of a public kind and directed against Mr. Chiniquy, because of his position as the head of the Protestant movement in St. Ann's.

It may be satisfactory to the Church to know that this French Mission comprises:—

1st. A fully organized congregation with Sunday and week-day schools, in the city of Kankakee, under the efficient superintendence of our faithful and earnest missionary the Rev. G. Demars. This congregation, though neither large nor wealthy, yet contains in it much life. They have a good Church, and a parsonage free from debt. They present interesting features of hopeful promise.

2nd. The Church at St. Ann's, of which Mr. Chiniquy himself is pastor. It is fully organized, numbers about 100 families, and has a widely scattered membership of about 650. The attendance on public worship and week-day services is large. The Sunday School is prosperous and increasing. Disinterested persons, who have recently visited St. Ann's, have publicly expressed their gratification at what they saw and heard of the substantial and growing character of the work of Protestant reformation there.

Around St. Ann's there are the Mission stations of Momenca, St. Mary's, Martintown and others. These places are visited more or less regularly. In them there are quite a number of Protestant families and earnest inquirers, for whose instruction religious meetings are held.

3rd. The College which has been in continuous operation during the past year, with the exception of a month's vacation during the extreme heat of the summer. Since April last it has been under the very efficient