

times to overflowing, with very attentive hearers. They are, for the most part, members of the Church and habitual congregation; but there are also a good many strangers, Protestants and Catholics, every Sunday. If it were not for the scattered condition of the members of the flock, our place of worship would not suffice. It is acknowledged on all sides that there are now unusual opportunities afforded to make the Gospel known. There is also a very encouraging state of religious feelings in our midst. Last week Mr. Lafleur baptized seven candidates, some of whom recent converts from the Church of Rome; others had been Christians for some time without joining any Church. The baptism was administered in the St. Catherine Street Baptist Church, kindly opened to us, with all its conveniences, for the occasion. It was a solemn scene, in the presence of a large audience, partly English and partly French; among the latter were quite a large number of Roman Catholics. One of the candidates is a pious and devoted city missionary, who has already been engaged in the work of city evangelization. In that capacity he will prove a good help to the city pastor, as he is acquainted with many Roman Catholic families, where his affable manners, his love of souls, make him a welcome visitor. He will succeed Mr. Jousse, also a French evangelist, who, for the last six months, has been employed in the city as a help to Mr. Lafleur. While laboring in Montreal, Mr. Jousse visited other fields, especially the field of La Tortue, and at times went as far as Ely, where Mr. Jousse preached all last winter with much acceptance, and where he is to be settled the coming spring.

Were it not for the great and growing disadvantage of making converts, who many of them understand, more or less, the English language, and are drawn by the merest conveniences into English-speaking congregations, our French work here would present a most encouraging aspect in point of number and efficiency. Still we are pursuing the good work in a humble way, laboring for the benefit of others almost as much as for ourselves. In the meantime we are rejoicing to see the work of the Lord prosper and deepen in many souls, some of whom were but a few months ago in the dim light of Popery. Though we cannot boast of so numerous additions as others are making around us, we have not the space necessary to speak of all interesting cases we know. Only of a few shall we say a word. A few weeks ago a very intelligent