

"That in this District there has been comparatively but little opposition lately experienced. The work goes on much as usual, save that some parts of the District are not well supplied for want of labourers. There were more than 9,000 Tracts distributed in this District during the year."

From Quebec Suburbs Branch we have a report mentioning a decrease in the number of members and in the Tracts distributed. In that division there are twelve Districts, and the weekly distribution has been about 200 for the year, against 500 weekly for the year before. Though those labouring in that quarter have had many discouragements, yet good has there been done, and they strongly express their determination to persevere.

The distribution of Tracts merely, without the possibility of embracing the opportunities by that means presented of conversation on the subjects treated of in the Tracts with those who receive them, is not all that is necessary. But, as mentioned, there are but one or two Districts where it is possible to do more than deliver the Tract, and hurry on in order that none may be neglected. Nothing, or but very little, can be done in the way of conversation with the recipients on religious subjects. In consequence, the Distributor has rarely an opportunity of ascertaining if good has been effected :—good is done, but generally it must rest with those benefitted and their God.

That our labour is not in vain, the following recently reported cases emphatically prove :—

"In — Suburbs reside a family who received the Tracts for a long time very unwillingly : the husband was of drunken habits, though a Protestant, and the wife a Roman Catholic. The wife at length told the Distributor that it was of no use to leave Tracts with them,—she could not read, and her husband, she said in anguish, was such a confirmed drunkard, as almost to defy the power of the Almighty to reach his case. The daughter, however, promised to read the Tracts to her father, and the Distributor left some considered most suitable. The gratification of the Distributor was great indeed on being informed by the wife on the next Sabbath, that her husband had given up drinking. The daughter on