

mind. All the teachers loved him tenderly and treated him as one of their own children. During his stay his health improved, and his mind greatly developed, his memory and heart became enriched with the precious truths of the Gospel. He preferred manual labor to study and came to Montreal to learn the trade of a printer, but the influence of such a large city was prejudicial to his heart, and he appeared to have paid little attention to the claims of religion. While still young, he found himself at the head of a family. He did not succeed in his plans and became overwhelmed with troubles. He was at length arrested in his course and placed in face of eternity by a mortal sickness, which brought him to the grave before the age of 22 years. Blessed be God, the incorruptible seed of the word had been early thrown into his heart, and before his death he recognized and regretted his faults and his indifference to the calls of his Saviour. I often visited him during his illness and these visits were not only to me a great privilege, but a means of edification. He several times frankly confessed his regret at having neglected the one thing needful. "Come often and see me" he would say, "and speak of the Saviour and His grace. You know we do not easily become detached from the things of earth. I know however that I am going to be with my Saviour. I leave behind me a wife and two little children, but the Lord has cared for us up to the present time and I am confident that He will take care of my family after my departure."

Thus M. F——died in the faith, in peace with his Saviour, after having early in life learnt the truth in our Missionary School. "Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shalt find it after many days." J. A. V.

THE WORD HAVING FREE COURSE.—At G—— the priest preached against my books, and had ordered his people to burn them. However I sold a Bible to a store-keeper, and about a dozen people entering the store, he told them what he had bought. One of them said he had a New Testament for ten years back and had kept it in spite of the priest. He had found out why their church would not let them read it, and this was because Jesus Christ had told his apostles not to take money for their services and what they freely received they were to give freely. He said further he had found that the purgatory taught in the New Testament was the blood of Christ which cleanses from all sin. Another man said he had his Testament for eight years, but had hard work to keep it. When the priest learned of his having it, he called to advise him to burn it, or give it to him for that purpose. "When I refused said the man," to do either, he asked my wife to burn it, but she being afraid, he refused her absolution during eighteen months. Finally he came one day to the house and accused me of not loving my wife, or I would take more to heart her salvation, and not allow her to perish for sake of the book. I told him if he wanted a woman to govern he should take a wife himself. The result was that seeing me so decided to keep the book, he gave my wife absolution."

Out of the twelve who came into the house, there were nine that said they had the New Testament, and by their language one could see they were in the habit of reading it.

At T. N——I visited several families to read the Scriptures to them. Among them was a young man, a French born Protestant, whose wife a Roman Catholic who had also come out from France, had left the Romish Church and had resolved to follow the Gospel, but needs instruction. A. S.

AN OPPONENT TURNED INQUIRER.—Two years ago I happened to be in G—— and offered my books to a blacksmith. He at first refused them, but at length accepted a tract, and a Gospel. I gave up the books for lost, as he appeared so very much