

ceased. A school for colored children, and one in the St. Lawrence Suburbs, were among these efforts. In 1864 an enterprise was commenced by some of its members near Chaboillez Square, in what was at that time one of the most neglected sections of the city. An experienced missionary was employed to conduct the work, a flourishing Sunday School was formed, a branch of the church was organized, and the ordinances administered at the mission building. The old accommodations soon proved too small, and, in 1870, the present commodious and substantial stone chapel, in Inspector Street, was erected, at an expense of more than \$12,000. A congregation, respectable in size and appearance, now worship statedly within its walls, and all the services usual to an independent church are in successful operation.

The religious destitution of the surrounding country attracted the attention of our fathers, and enlisted their hearty efforts at an early day. In 1827, an organization, called the Canada Education and Home Missionary Society, was formed, mainly, or wholly, by persons connected with this congregation, though some of them belonged to other denominations not represented in the city at that time. The object of this Society was declared by its constitution to be the promulgation of the gospel in Canada, and in accomplishing this end, it sought to educate pious young men for the ministry, to assist feeble congregations, and to send the preaching of the truth to the destitute in both Provinces.