

From the above statistics you will see that some progress has been made, and made in the right direction. During the past summer about 80 volumes were added to the library. Among them were Alison's, Gibbon's, Hallam's, Maunder's, Scott's, Kane's, Redhead's, and Humboldt's works. I am taking steps to procure an orrery, tellurian, numerical frame, and other apparatus. I trust that I shall succeed. One young man whom I trained passed a creditable examination in Canada West, and is very successful in teaching. Thus it is that the light and knowledge emanating from the Society's School in Montreal gradually extends its beneficial influence. The lectures and debating-club produced much good, and will be resumed the ensuing winter. My lectures will be on Physical Geography and Astronomy. A Bible-class has been organized, to meet weekly. I left it optional with my pupils to join it or not. Nearly all did. I trust that it will do good. I visit the Sabbath and Elementary Schools, and give object-lessons, &c. as often as possible. Perfect order is maintained in school.

Though I may not have been sustained as I could have wished, I have never been opposed. The text-books are the same as heretofore, with the addition of Markham's England, Parker's Exercises, and Davies's Legendre. I hope the Society will grant us some aid the ensuing year, it being much needed, as they are furnishing their new building and are heavily taxed."

LAPRAIRIE, *Jan. 4th, 1858.*

"There is at Longneuil an excellent School, attended by over sixty children. The master is one of the most efficient that I have met with in any country mission. His whole time and energy are devoted to the instruction of the large number of children in daily attendance. The parents, however, who are all day-work men, cannot remunerate the teacher as he deserves; and it would be a cause of grief to me were he compelled to withdraw his services from such an important post. I therefore ask the Society to try and make a small annual allowance, in order to be able to retain the services of an efficient teacher."

BERTHIER EN HAUT, *26th Dec. 1857.*

"I am very happy, at the close of another year, to be able to report favorably of the success of our School. It has been well attended by French Canadians, and a greater desire for English instruction manifested in the neighbourhood.

The Commissioners of the Roman Catholic Academy in this village made an effort, during the past summer, to arrange with the Trustees of this School to join them, and remove me to their establishment; and to that end offered every inducement in their power.