

Bible, when God plainly enjoined it! I read many passages proving this. Before he left, the Lawyer came up to my room and got with thanks, a Bible and some tracts. A storekeeper also who had been present, borrowed a Testament and some tracts. May God bless the reading of His Word to them.

ENCOURAGEMENTS.—In S———Some new families seem as if they would open their minds to receive the truth as it is in Jesus. The other families who have left the Romish Church, continue steadfast in the Gospel.

At C——I sold but little. I could read and talk nearly in every house, and during the two evenings I spent there, there was a good many who collected to hear me speak of the Gospel of Christ.

I believe thousands of French Canadians who were once dead in Popery, have been brought out of the grave of spiritual darkness and superstition, through the instrumentality of the French Canadian Missionary Society.

At W——I found several Testaments had been sold or given, some of them used as reading books in the family.

HARDSHIPS OF COLPORTAGE.—Near W———owing to a snow-storm, I was obliged to put up, and the following day being stormy, I had some good conversation. The next day the storm continued so that neither man nor beast could stir outside, on the following day I directed my steps to the village of W———, where I arrived in the evening, but no one would take me in for the night. So I was obliged to travel three miles further to an Irish Roman Catholic family which I was in the habit of visiting, going over fearfully bad roads with the snow knee deep.

FRENCH CANADIANS IN THE TOWNSHIPS.—In the Township of S———, the people are kind and willing to receive the Scriptures, they are far from any church, and number about a hundred families, nearly all young people. Most of them can read, coming from older settlements where there are schools, and a number have been in the United States, some of whom are acquainted with the Bible. They said the priest would not get these. We had very pleasant meetings, speaking about Temperance and Religion generally, and continuing till midnight.

At C———, found the people well disposed to listen to the Gospel, had good sales and every evening interesting meetings, it is also a new place.

At St. G———, I was told the priest spoke against my books, yet I could read and explain the Scriptures in nearly every house. I sold a couple of Testaments.

SEWING IN GLADNESS.—At St H———, I lodged with a family to whom before breakfast I began to read the Scriptures. It was about the sufferings of Christ, and all were very attentive; when the old mother asked if I would sell the book and what was its price. She paid the price willingly, and I sold another Testament to her son-in-law. I could not express the happiness with which these people seemed to be filled at having the Word of God read.

THE GOSPEL PREACHED IN THE WOODS.—While crossing the range of L———, I asked leave to spend the night in a house, I was very politely received and after the evening meal, I displayed the contents of my bag. At first I was saluted with the usual epithet of "Swiss," but after a time I was enabled to open my Bible and read portions of it. Some said "what he reads is very fine," while others added, "if it be true, we are lost." At ten o'clock the house was full of people, sixty or more being present. As I spoke of the false doctrine of the mediation of the Virgin Mary and the Saints several persons insulted me, saying I was blaspheming, but others silenced them, and I was enabled to read till ready to drop with fatigue. The next day five of those present,