

Several evangelical chapels are open in this city and the number of Christians increases from day to day. Let me relate the conversion of two, which deserve to be known.

The nephew of the popish Archbishop, a soldier who had fought under Napoleon, became desponding, and had formed the criminal design to end his life by suicide. Passing along the street to go and throw himself into the Rhone, he perceived many people entering an evangelical chapel, and by a sort of mechanical impulse, or to speak better, by a secret direction of God, this unhappy man went in also. When he heard the sermon, the tears moistened his eyes; it seemed to him that a new world was opened before him, and he felt that man may taste happiness on earth. He put off his intended suicide. At night he came again to divine service, and felt still more the power of the Gospel. The Sunday following he sought further the spiritual nourishment which his soul craved, and abandoning wholly the fatal plan he had conceived, he exhibited an example of firm and cheerful piety. How many suicides (so numerous in France,) would be prevented, if the knowledge of the Gospel was more generally diffused!

The colporters pursue their work with zeal. Remarkable conversions prove that the Bible alone, without preaching, without human aid, is effectual to lead souls to the feet of Jesus Christ. A Colporter passing for the first time in one of our villages, met an old man with whom he felt at once an intimate fellowship. Surprised to see such a knowledge of the truth in a man who belonged to the popish communion, he asked him some questions; and the old man replied: "I was for a long time foolishly devoted to the ceremonies of the Romish church, but I had no peace of mind. An old Bible fell then into my hands. I read it, and a feeble ray of light penetrated my soul. Unhappily my wife, in a fit of passion tore up my precious Bible. I was very much grieved, and I sought for another copy. I found one in the bookstore in a neighboring town; but the price was twenty francs, (four dollars.) I was too poor to buy it. At last, I heard of a man who sold Bibles cheap. I went to see him; I brought home my treasure with unspeakable joy; and the study of the Word of God continued from day to day under my humble roof, has taught me that I have a divinely compassionate Saviour." "Such facts," adds the colporter, "show the importance of distributing the Bible."

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## PRESENT INFLUENCE OF THE JEWS.

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If it should be asserted, that at no time between the calling of Abram and the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans, was the influence of the Hebrew nation upon the world as great as it is at this time, the assertion might raise a smile of incredulity. And yet a little reflection might sustain such an assertion. The power, which has been wielded by the Rothschild family acting as bankers for European governments, and thereby controlling in some degree the action of those governments,