

Supper of the Lord were blessed to them beyond all they had asked or thought. Their existence is renewed, they feel themselves as in the morning of their life; all things are become new to them, and the glorious prospect of an eternity of happiness is to them a continual subject of thanksgiving. It is edifying to hear them express their gratitude for the tender and boundless mercy of God, who has, at the eleventh hour, rescued them from the thick darkness in which they were buried. Though the life they have led has been much more regular than that of the generality of the Canadians, yet they put it entirely from them, and sometimes weep over it, seeing that during so long a time they did nothing but provoke the Lord who from their youth had loaded them with benefits. One of our Canadian brethren, asking our brother Brissette how old he was, he answered with the deepest feeling, "I am now sixty-three years old, but it would be more correct to say that I am scarcely sixty-three days old, for it is only since then that I have begun to see the light and to serve the Lord."

The two other daughters of Mr. Brissette are still quite young, the one being eleven, and the other thirteen years of age. There is also in them the beginning of a work of the Lord. A sensible change has been wrought, and we pray our kind Parent that he would finish what he has begun. These young girls told me a few days ago, that with sincerity, they prayed to God that he would convert them, and give them his Holy Spirit. May He grant it.

Our sisters, Mary and Adelaide Brissette, one aged seventeen and the other twenty-six, have a strong desire to devote themselves to the Lord, to labour for the advancement of his kingdom. They have much concern for their poor irreligious neighbours; and from the time that they knew Jesus Christ as their Saviour, they wished to convey to others the good tidings they had received. They visited the houses of the Canadians, and read to them the Oracles of eternal truth. In several houses they have been rejected: but in others received. Their desire is to have a school; and where they have been listened to, they have asked the parents to send their children who are old enough, to learn to read and write. Several have consented; and commencement would be immediately made, if an apartment could be found. Until the Lord shall open the way, which we hope will be before winter, Mary is come to the Grande Ligne to assist in the school of Madame Feller, and to receive such instructions as may be necessary to fit her for this employment. The need of a school is very great among the Canadians of Champlain; and the project of our two sisters, which we

hope the Lord will bless, rejoices us much. Their pure and simple piety visibly indicates to us that the Lord has called them and prepared them for his service. We believe they will be greatly useful in our little mission. We have never seen, either in Switzerland or in France, conversions which have borne such excellent fruit as in this dear family, in proportion to the short time since they embraced the gospel. Let us all unite in giving thanks to our God.

A Canadian woman named D. Bertram, has also passed from darkness to light. Some years since she had received serious impressions from the Christian preaching she had attended. But the fear of the world, and of her relations, induced her to hide her convictions. A few weeks after I commenced preaching at Champlain, a Christian lady introduced me to her; and I then found her in the same state. At length the Lord caused her seriously to reflect upon herself and her folly, and to feel that the world could not save her. She then began to attend the meetings more regularly, and to visit the family of Brissette. The truth made its way into her soul. The Lord drove away her fears. She comprehended the nature of the gospel and rejoiced in her Saviour. From that time her piety and spirituality have been strongly manifested.

This sister Bertrand, aged twenty-eight, has been many years a servant in the same house; and at length was admitted into the family of Madame Feller, which she regarded as a great favour. Being trustworthy, she can relieve Madame F. from many family cares. Several other persons in this village listen with attention to the word of life, and read it frequently among themselves at home. I hope that the work of grace, already commenced, will redound to the glory of God. Let us pray for them. The attendance at the preaching, which was numerous at first, is now greatly diminished—and those only attend now who esteem the word of the Lord. The opposition of the Canadians was very strong when the family of Brissette declared their attachment to the Gospel; but it has diminished, and scarcely passes beyond rallery and mockery.

Our dear Brother Gilmour will have informed you that I have commenced preaching at Plattsburgh. I go there every two weeks; and, God be praised, I find my strength sufficient for the work. I have good hope that a Canadian, Madame Fox, and her husband, have received the Gospel; nevertheless I dare not be too confident, but wait patiently for their further progress. These persons, whom I visited from the commencement, have regularly attended my preaching; and have procured a copy of the New Testa-