

hourers circulated some French scriptures among the *habitants* on the Neche River. A colporteur from the French Canadian Missionary Society afterwards followed and left some more. These books were kept and read; and, last winter, of a sudden, a considerable number avowed the convictions they had been acquiring. At present there are twenty-nine or thirty families who have separated themselves from Rome. They have public worship every Lord's Day, numerously attended, in the Protestant Schoolroom which they have provided, and they are taken steps to secure without delay a suitable and permanent house of prayer.

"On the whole it seems to us that colportage has the stamp of heaven upon it. We must persevere with it and extend it."

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### NEW BRANCHES AND DEPOSITORIES.

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A new Branch and Depository have been formed at Parry Sound, and a Colporteur employed for the winter months. See letter of the Secretary of this Branch on another page.

The officers of this new Branch are W. Beatty, Esq., M.P.P., President; Rev. C. A. Hanson, Secretary; George Slade, Treasurer; Thos. McMurray, Depository.

At Bracebridge, the Depository has been re-opened and the Branch re-organized.

Officers—Thos. Myers, President and Depository; James Cleriken, Secretary.

We had hoped ere this to have established one or more Branches in the Red River Settlement.

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### MEETINGS OF AUXILIARIES.

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#### KINGSTON.

The annual meeting of the Kingston Auxiliary was held in the Ontario Hall, on Tuesday, 18th inst. The large hall was filled. The Rev. R. V. Rogers in the chair, made an excellent speech. Report read by the Secretary, the Venerable Dr. Mair. Addresses by the Rev. Mr. Graffey, Baptist Church, Kingston, and Rev. John Gemley, of Toronto.

#### OTTAWA.

This Auxiliary held its anniversary on Wednesday evening, 19th inst., in the Presbyterian Church, Bank street. W. Hay, Esq., President, in the chair. His Excellency the Governor-General authorized the President of the Society to express his regret at being unable to occupy, as requested, the chair on that occasion, as he had frequently done in Australia, when Governor of that colony. An admirable report was read by the Secretary, the Rev. R. Gavin. The speakers were the Hon. Mr. Morris, Minister of Inland Revenue, and the Hon. Mr. Aikins, Secretary of State, and P. Le Sueur, Esq., the Revs. Messrs. Moore, Johnson, Gemley, Thompson, Pollard and Gordon. The meeting was large and enthusiastic. The Ottawa Citizen very kindly furnishes a full report of this meeting.

#### MONTREAL.

At the time of going to press, we can only say that the meeting was held in the Wesleyan Church, Great St. James Street, on Wednesday evening,