

on this account. It takes a strong faith in divine Providence, but God has helped us in the past, and we cannot believe that he will abandon us now.

I told Monseigneur that my arms ached from beating on the big drum. Do you know what he answered ? "Courage, it is our trade." Forward then !

There is no need to call the attention of our readers to the object of this letter. May some good soul fill the gap pointed out by Father Paradis and permit him to continue his work without the heavy burden of debts.

Mission of Ntakataka.

This mission is older than Bembéché and also more important. We give below the report from June 30, 1911 to June 30, 1912.

Missionaries	3
Catechists	50
Neophytes	979
Catechumens	10748
Baptisms of adults	303
Baptisms of children of neophytes	96
Baptisms <i>in articulo mortis</i> . . .	126
Marriages	23
Confessions	15422
Communions	24703
Confirmations	378
Schools	28
Boys	1795
Girls	245
Sick cared for	4655

Christians.—The number of our Christians, writes the Father Superior, has nearly doubled ; from 534 it has increased to 979. Our dear and regretted Father Onstenk launched the mission well, and we are gathering in the