

overwork and partly as the result of a series of carriage accidents. Special services are being held at present, and the earnest prayer of many is that great blessing may rest on Lachute.

Baldwin's Mills has a fortnightly service from the Dixville pastor, while Potton and Beebe Plains have had very acceptable student service. Within the past month a new chapel was dedicated at Potton and the outlook is very encouraging.

No person is competent to pass judgment upon the work in Quebec until he has made himself familiarly acquainted with the conditions under which the churches and missionaries labor. The constantly decreasing Protestant population in the towns and rural districts does not tell the whole story. Protestant Quebec still suffers from the withering blight produced by the Millerite craze of over fifty years ago. "Isms" of all kinds abound on every hand. Spiritual torpor to an alarming extent binds in its icy embrace the membership of the churches, while an easy, self-indulgent, indifferent spirit animates and largely controls the world without. Quebec needs missionaries cast in heroic mould, brethren of the stamp and quality described by Dr. Culross, "Men of princely manhood, wide and various culture, grasp and sweep of intellect, valour, hardihood and fulness of resource," and over and above all these gifts, hearts that throb with heavenly sympathy and thrill to the touch of Divine love. Strong, buoyant warm hearts animated and controlled by the over-mastering Spirit of God must consent to spend and be spent in the effort to lift Quebec from the thralldom of Papal superstition, lifeless formalism and unveiled scepticism which at present all but universally prevail.

In the Ottawa Association the conditions are happier. In almost every church you find a nucleus of choice men and women, the spiritual children of such stalwart pastors as Edwards, Gilmour, King, Fraser, McPhail, Dempsey, and Anderson, and wherever these are found, you can rest assured that you are clasping hands with devoted intelligent Christians, and uncompromising Baptists. On the Quebec side of the Ottawa river the missionaries have large fields to cultivate: 25 to 30 miles to travel on Sunday and a still more liberal mileage during the week. No wonder though they find their strength giving way under the strain.

Grenville, though aggressive, holds her own with difficulty: Papi-neauville, North Nation Mills, and St. Amadee, have enjoyed a larger measure of prosperity, while Clarendon and Billerica have had an exceptionally prosperous year. Generous additions have been made to the membership of both churches and an excellent chapel has been dedicated and paid for at Clarendon. Templeton, Mulgrave, and the Augmentation have had student supply during the summer months, and all three report progress.

On the Ontario side of the river Vankleek Hill reports hopefully. Evangelists Moore and Whyte have assisted the pastor in special work