

they would be left without a preacher, went over to the Episcopal Church of England; and so a farther reduction to our Mission of 19 took place. Members 18; of whom 13 are French Canadians.

ANTOINE GEOFROY.

#### ROXTON FALLS AND ACTON.

Our success in Taber during the past year though not very great is nevertheless encouraging. A church costing about \$600 is now nearly finished in South Roxton. We expect to have it formally dedicated during the summer. We have raised nearly \$200 for the re-erection of our parsonage at Roxton Pond, where we have a lot of land and a barn; and to repair the church, that again we may worship in our own house where none may attempt to molest us. Besides attending my preaching and other appointments on this large Mission, I have organized four Sabbath-schools which are being worked with a good promise of permanent results. We have in them about 100 children. Our school at Bered, although rendering valuable service, has scarcely equalled the schools of former years. Yet we have great faith in our schools, and are satisfied they are an important auxiliary to our work generally. Our congregations during the year have been good. We have had 4 removals; 1 we have dropped; and yet we can report 10 of an increase. We return this year 79 members.

ED. DEGRUCHY.

#### WATERLOO.

By the blessing of God upon our labours in this Mission during the year your Missionary has felt much encouragement. We have had our share of difficulties, as all are sure to have who work for the Lord among the Roman Catholics, be they French or Irish; but the presence of the Lord has cheered us onwards, and prompted the exclamation: "What hath God to-night!" We have five appointments in this Mission which have been kept as fully as the weather and traveling, which on several occasions during the winter was very bad, would admit. We have had no less than 18 removals during the year and 3 deaths; yet we have a membership of 69; being an increase over last year of 2. Our schools—the one in Canaan and the other in Waterloo—are doing well and are a strength to us. The French people are becoming more and more anxious to get their children taught in our schools, and, although the priests are vigilant to prevent this if possible, yet they cannot always do this. The people are learning more and more every day in whom to trust in these matters. Visitations from house to house, with the distribution of the Scriptures and tracts among the people, are doing a work for God; and we may look through such means for a success which shall fill all hearts with gladness and praise. Since coming on this Mission I have had 52 baptisms; 9 burials; 8 marriages; and 14 conversions from the Roman Church. I have succeeded in acquiring for the Mission, in the village of Waterloo, property consisting of two acres of land, on which a parsonage and a school-house, used also for a place of worship, are built.

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