

that the people may be trained thereby to join more intelligently and reverently in the act of prayer."

Amongst the papers published by the Society are the following: (1) on Public Prayer; (2) on Public Prayer and Worship; (3) on the arrangement of the several parts of Public Worship; all these are beautifully written, and are characterized by a reasonableness, which cannot fail to commend the Society and its aims to every candid and unprejudiced mind. They are worthy of the careful perusal and earnest consideration of our ministers and also of that of our people. Besides these tracts, the Society has also published *Εὐχολόγιον* or Book of Prayers, a carrying out in part the idea avowed in the Rule of the Constitution before quoted, "the ultimate publication of certain forms of Prayer for Public Worship, and services for the administration of the Sacraments, &c." This volume, the Editors tell us, is not offered to the public as a complete work, but as "a contribution to the good cause, which has during the last ten or twelve years called forth in Britain and in America a great deal of diligent research, of pious thought and of reverent interest." They express the hope that "their offering may be found acceptable and useful to clergy and laity, as aids and guides to their devotions in their public acts of worship. The highest reward of their labours which they could desire," they say, "would be, that these should be found of some avail in preparing clergymen to recognize the benefit of the Church's possessing a Book of Prayers (and such she practically possessed in the 16th and first half of 17th century) calculated to be a constant help to her ministers in the discharge of their most solemn duties, and full of comfort and edification for her people at home and abroad.

We sympathize in the aims which the Society has in view, and regard their undertaking as one that is highly laudable. We believe that the public services of our Church are capable of being greatly improved, and we are hopeful that through the influence and labours of the Society, this improvement may be brought about. *Εὐχολόγιον* we heartily commend to our Ministers and also to our people. Copies of it, and also of Tract on "Public Prayer and Worship," may be had at Messrs. Dawson Bros. Montreal, and at Messrs. Adam, Stevenson & Co., Toronto.

At its institution none but ministers were eligible for membership of the Church Service Society, but we learn that at last

annual meeting the following motion was agreed to: "That the Society, recognising the lay members of the Church in all that relate to its worship and the sympathy felt by many of them in the objects of the Society, agrees to invite the co-operation of laymen " &c." Clergymen and laymen desirous of becoming members of the Society are requested to make known, their desire to the Society's Canadian Secretary, the Rev. Robert Dobie, Lindsay, Ontario. The annual payment of members is five shillings sterling.



THE Convener of the French Mission Scheme, has received the subjoined interesting letter from Mr. Charles Doudiet, relative to the work in Montreal resumed by him since the close of the session at Queen's College Theological Hall.

The Convener respectfully requests a prompt transmission to the Treasurer, ARCHIBALD FERGUSON, Esq., Mansfield Street, Montreal of any moneys, now in the hands of Clergymen or Sessions on account of this Scheme.

*Report of Missionary Work for fortnight May 1—15.*

I have not much to report as far as actual results are concerned, this spring; there have been some changes, in the attendance at church, not in numbers, these keep to about the same, 30 to 40 in the morning, 20 to 30 in the evening, but the "personnel" of the church has changed to a certain extent. A few of those that attended last summer, have left off; some through carelessness, two have joined another Protestant Church, three have left Montreal, and there are more or fewer confined to their houses by sickness. On the other hand, new comers have taken the vacant places. Mr. B. and his family attend pretty regularly. A Mr. M. a young Canadian, who was visited by Miss Vernier, whilst lying sick at the M. Gen. Hospital, has attended our services regularly, since he was able to go about. Another, a respectable looking man, whose name I have not yet ascertained, but who I judge to be a Frenchman, has attended for the last two Sabbaths. He waited for me at the door, last Sabbath, expressed his pleasure at what he had heard and his intention to come again. He has not been long in Montreal, but intends to remain. He seems a well to do, respectable and well-informed man. A young lady a Swiss Protestant who has come here, to reside, has also become a regular attendant, on the Sabbath. I have taken pains to collect all the addresses of the various families and individuals attending at present and with one or two exceptions, have visited them all. Those visits often give me good opportunities to urge the truth of the Gospel, upon their friends, who may be present at the time. From all my