

*For the Success of the Wesleyan and McAll Missions in France.*

MRS. GIBSON'S REPORT ON THE WORK IN PARIS.

We are a mere handful of workers here in Paris, and are all of us engaged from morning to night the seven days of the week. Most of our helpers are "ignorant and unlearned" men and women but "having been with Jesus" they have learned the secret of power, and are just such agents as He can best use. Consequently, He opens doors before them everywhere—in trains, in trams, and notably at the doors of our halls while the services are going on, and in the quiet after meetings, when we get into close personal dealing with such as have stayed behind.

Our converts *live* well. Many of them have the old Huguenot spirit of endurance, and stand not only open persecution but the harassing pin-pricks of domestic taunts and ridiculings. And they *die* well. One of our members has just gone to heaven from the hospital proclaiming to all her fellow-suffers her joyful faith in Christ as the only Mediator, while the priest stood by cursing her and telling her she was "damned" and going to hell! Two young men, also, saved at the eleventh hour through the visits of another of our converts, a poor working man and a bigoted Romanist up to last November, have lately died exulting in Christ, though pursued to the end by the indignant threats of the priests. Our youngest daughter has remained behind in Philadelphia to study the Kindergarten system. She hoped shortly to establish that system in our French halls, and by securing the little children to get at the parents. We shall then need some young ladies to work under her direction and to help in the visits. They must have a knowledge of French, and be able to give something towards their support.

MCALL MISSION.

One result of the McAll Mission has been the effect it has had upon French Protestant Christians in the matter of evangelization. It is difficult for us who have been brought up to reckon personal work for the salvation of others as among the first of Christian duties, to understand how far French Christians are from any such notion. It is not long since even, that French pastors felt no such "burden of souls" as our ministers are wont to feel. The reason is not far to seek when we look over their past history. For generations they were positively forbidden, under heavy penalties, to make any attempt at proselytizing. But toleration came with the Republic and at this juncture Dr. McAll went to Paris. His mission was a wonderful object-lesson to the Christian people of France, and especially to the French pastors. Its progress has been very marked in the nineteen years of its existence. There are now forty-six mission halls in Paris and eighty in the provinces. For the benefit of any intending to cross the Atlantic and visit Paris, one of the most central halls of this mission for tourists is Salle Philadelphia, 23 Rue Royal. Meeting every evening, 8.15; Friday at 3.30 p.m. (worker's prayer-meeting), and Sunday at 4.30 p.m.

*That we may not lose our interest in our work, during summer vacation.*

1 Tim. iv. 13-16; Heb. xiii. 15, 16; 1 Cor. xv. 58; Rev. iii. 7, 8.