

Pastoral work has been pursued with fidelity and earnestness in the different stations where there are organized churches, and as one of the visible results *forty-two* persons have been received into the churches by baptism during the year, many of whom were Roman Catholics a year ago. This will appear with some details in the report of the different churches.

The Feller Institute is in a fine working condition, with a good staff of teachers, a large number of scholars, generally studious, some of them bright, a score of whom were Roman Catholics when they came, but who will not all be such when they leave. For details see Principal Masse's report of the school.

In connection with this centre of our operations, and cradle of our Missionary work, it may be mentioned that less than a mile from the mission house is a comparatively new wooden building, a Roman Catholic chapel with bells outside where it is intended that a large stone church shall be built as soon as the new parish is mapped out. It is to be formed out of portions of four other parishes. A good many of those interested object to parting with their ecclesiastical home, to be saddled with the heavy load of building a new and expensive church. The case is pending in court with some of them, and a good many Roman Catholics in the neighborhood freely say, that if they are caused to pay for that, they will join the Protestants. It would be a remarkable thing indeed, if so near the mission house we were to have another "*chapelle maudite*," as in Maskinongé. If it should ever come to that, let us earnestly pray to God that in the place sanctified by the life and prayers of our old missionaries, where so much good seed has been sown, we may at last reap a rich harvest. Many times have there been disputations, trouble, and threatenings of large secessions from such and such a parish church on account of some "*repartition*," or tax imposed for the building of a church; but habitually the people have submitted to the verdict of the bishops. The Maskinongé movement may prove the beginning of a new era in the struggle for soul liberty, and in which we may look for larger soul awakenings.

AGENCIES.—A friend of the mission, a devoted brother, Mr. George Edwards, of Thurso, the nephew of the Rev. John Edwards, for many years the faithful collecting agent of the mission, has kindly given several months of his time gratuitously to this work,