

a large number of young men engaged during the winter in various occupations in the city. I have now to state that owing to most praiseworthy exertions on the part of the Young Men's Christian Association of St. George's Church, (a Society set on foot by our Superintendent the Rev. Canon Bond) a mission Church and Schools have been built in a rapidly growing part of the city, and that it was judged expedient to transfer both the Evening school, and the Reading room to the same locality in order to render them more effective in carrying out the objects for which they were intended. These are to be placed, as well as the Mission Church and schools, under the supervision of Mr. de Gruchy, and I have no doubt they will be productive of much good during the present winter.

I have done all in my power, since sending in my last report, to benefit by inspection or otherwise any of the Society's schools which were brought under my notice. The Rev. Canon Bond and myself attended a few days ago, the examination of Mr. Webb's school at Point St. Charles, a short distance from Montreal. This is a large school, and partly supported by the funds of the Society, and under the superintendence of a clergyman of the Church of England. More than a hundred children were present, and the results of the examination were all that could be wished, especially the answers in scriptural knowledge.

In bringing my report to a conclusion I am desirous of calling the attention of the Committee of the Colonial Church and School Society to the fact that but little has been done during the past year towards repairing the school building, or replacing the school apparatus which years of use have almost completely destroyed. Both the building and apparatus have been fairly worn out in educating and training many who are now engaged in the busy affairs of Montreal and its neighbourhood. It seems but right that all who can be proved to have either directly or indirectly received benefit from what has been done by our schools should be called upon to contribute to maintain an institution to which they owe so much, and I feel convinced that many would become subscribers to our funds if the subject, in this manner, were brought before them. In the meantime we are willing to work on with all the means at our command, in the consciousness that we are labouring in the cause of a Missionary Society, which, although increasing year by year the number of its supporters, finds more to be done than it has means to do, whether in teaching the truth where it has long been neglected, or in opposing ignorance where it has long maintained its dangerous influence.

Still for what has been done already may we be thankful; and when striving with difficulties may we reflect that it is possible to trust too much to what man can do for us, and forget from whom comes true support in the day of trial.