

confirmed my fears and advised me to burn it, but as it did not belong to me I hesitated to do so, and decided to wait the first opportunity of seeing you, intending to return it to you, but that was two years ago, and during that time I have occasionally read the book, and now I would not give it up for its weight in gold; I do not need you to tell me of the good its instructions contain; I know that it is the Word of God.

At P———a woman bought a New Testament saying as she read the 5th of Matthew "Oh how beautiful this book is."

During a conversation which I had with some Frenchmen and Belgians on the wharves of P— L—— a Canadian came and joined me. He agreed so heartily with my words that I questioned him afterwards, and found that he was an individual to whom I had given a copy of the Gospel and who was now endeavouring to follow its teachings.

At C———I offered a New Testament to a young girl. "This book is not unknown to me," said she. "During my stay in Montreal where I was in service I received a copy from my master and mistress, but I have it no longer." I asked her if she had lost it, "no sir," said she, "but the priest tormented me so much about the book that yielding to his threats I burnt it." I spoke to her about the terrible judgments which attended such sacrilegious conduct, and she having expressed a desire to possess another New Testament, I gave her one.

In another house I sold some tracts and a Gospel. The father of the house said to me, "I now see, sir, why the priests forbid us reading books not approved by them. It is in order to keep us in ignorance and take from us our money more easily." His wife said "I will show these books to the priest," "No," said her husband, "for he will tell you to burn them, under the pretext that they are bad. We do not need to tell the priest that we have bought the books, let us read them and obtain the instruction they afford." I encouraged them in their desire for instruction, and the children as well as the father and mother paid great attention to what I said to them, and when I left them, they said to me, "when you come back here, come in and see us."

In a house which I visited, having offered my books, the woman of the house said, "As to the New Testament, I possess it already, but you have there a tract, the title of which pleases me very much", (the name of it was "*Allez a Jesus*") "and I wish to purchase it." As soon as she had bought it, she commenced to read it, saying to the persons present: "This is an excellent work." Then turning to me, she added: "I am sure, sir, that many people have repelled and even insulted you. Alas, they are so ignorant, that the priest has over them unlimited power."

COMFORT IN AFFLICTION.—I went also into a very wretched looking house, where four persons live, two brothers and two sisters. The eldest of the brothers was stretched upon a bed of sickness. After having purchased three of my books, they looked at a copy of the New Testament; "my brother," said one of the sisters to the poor sick man, "if you only knew what a fine book this is!" The sick man caused the book to be brought to him and after examining it said: "I have never read anything so interesting, we must buy it," "yes, it must be bought," they all said, "but we have not a cent remaining." I then went up to the bed of the invalid and gave him a Testament.

LEAVING THE CHURCH OF ROME.—At A———eight persons members of two families have just left the Church of Rome. I commenced to visit them, they accepted my invitation to attend our meetings, although this act exposed them to persecution. In my visits to them I read portions of the Scriptures and in other ways proclaimed the truth as it is in Jesus. The turning point came at last, they told me that they had determined to leave the Roman Catholic Church, as they did not believe it to be the church of Christ.