

"Oh, yes," she answered. "what a day that will be! what a blessed day!"

When a partial cessation of pain would enable her, she would repeat hymns or passages of Scripture; but, towards her end, her memory failed her, and she would request some one near her to remind her of what she had forgotten.

Her weakness increasing, she could not bear to have much either read or said to her. But she seemed in constant prayer. Indeed, her soul was ever in communion with her Lord, as her ejaculations were, "Lord, have mercy upon me!" "Lord, take me!"

"Lord, be merciful to a poor sinner!" She could never allow any reference to be made to the life she had spent in

the service of her Lord; and to her privations and trials as meriting any reward. "Oh, no!" she would exclaim, "don't mention it; I am only an unworthy sinner."

She often requested those around her to pray that she might be speedily released, to join her Lord.

Great was her interest in the salvation of the souls of those about her. She said to one of her attendants one day, "Shall I meet you in heaven?" and repeated the question three times. Then she added, "Pray, pray, that I may soon be released, and that we may meet in heaven."

Almost her last expression was, "Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly! Oh, come quickly!"

## Christian Work.

CANADA.—There is no Christian work in Canada of more interest and importance, all things considered, than the work carried on in the Province of Quebec by the French Canadian Missionary Society. It is not simply that the Society is doing a spiritual work in the way of leading men to the liberty with which Christ makes his people free, but they are helping to solve by moral means, the social and civil problem that lies hid in the presence of Popery in such magnitude in the very centre of our Dominion. We commend to the careful attention of readers, and to their grateful thanksgiving, the opening sentences of this year's report which has just reached us. In our next issue, we will give some details of the practical work of a Society with which we wish our readers to become very intimate.

Another year's labor in connection with French Canadian Evangelization has passed away, carrying with it its full share of encouragement and difficulties, which seem ever to be associated with the prosecution of God's work in this sin-stricken world. The many public renunciations of the Church of Rome throughout the Province; the growth of French Protestantism in localities where, un-

til lately, unbroken Romanism prevailed; a larger average in the sale and circulation of the Scriptures; and, what with God's blessing may be a token of larger success in the future, an extending spirit of inquiry on the part of the people; each and all denote extraordinary changes when comparing the present with the state of this Province at the formation of the Society thirty-four years ago.

The spirit of the age has set in so strongly against the ecclesiastical feudalism that has for so long a time prevailed here, that changes in the social and national characteristics of the people must sooner or later be brought about. To preserve them from the too prevalent infidelity of old France, and to lead them to the knowledge and acceptance of the Gospel of God's grace, is the first and ardent desire of every true friend of this Society. Were the adherents of Evangelical religion disposed to let them alone, as some would recommend, there would be nothing to counterbalance other and evil influences that are constantly extending. It may be long, or it may be a short time, before these expected changes will be effected, but, whatever be either the immediate or the distant future, the Christian's duty calls upon him to act *to day*. Souls are perishing for lack of knowledge; men and women are denied their heaven-born birth-right, and they know it not, and the 'children of the light' are unmistakably called upon to be 'good stewards of the manifold grace of God.'

The growing intelligence and independence of the French Canadian population opens the