

undoubted, and is still manifested. Some encouraging circumstances in connection with the French Canadians are reported, and the distribution is carried on regularly; though, from the few distributors in one of the Districts, it is not so frequent as is desirable. Seamen and the unfortunate emigrants, with the sick in the several hospitals, were not last season neglected; though from the malignant nature of the disease that prevailed there was not so much done as was desirable. As to seamen, they have been well attended to by one who, though he has but recently joined us, has shown himself alive to the importance of the work, and animated we believe with the spirit of his Master. Rev. Mr. Osgood and his assistant, Mr. Duncan, have done much in distributing to the emigrants during the past trying season.

In this imperfect review of the proceedings of the Association during the year, it will be perceived that some good has been effected. Three cases of sound conversion to God are reported as resulting from a perusal of the tracts distributed: and how much have these silent messengers effected which we can never be here apprised of? how many poor, afflicted believers must have received consolation from the precious truths contained in these tracts? and who will say that many sinners may not have been induced to ponder well their ways, and resolve while these powerful little pleaders for God were at work on their hearts, to turn from sin and folly to the paths of religion and virtue? The influence of a faithful religious tract distribution is incalculable, and its effects are never ending. We again appeal to the evangelical Christians of Montreal for assistants. Year after year has this petition been presented, and still with no adequate successful