

manent place of worship since the 1st of February; and I would say here that, according to my own judgment, there is no place in Ottawa or in Hull as suitable for the French work as was the little M. E. church which has just been surrendered to the Catholic Church; the said Church knew that, and she felt our influence over her people.

P. J. ROBIDOUX.

In concluding the report from Ottawa and Hull, I would say that, to a considerable extent, I sympathize with Bro. Robidoux in reference to places of worship. He became discouraged here, and has accepted a call to similar work in the United States. After his departure I engaged a colporteur for a time to keep together the adherents of Methodism. The appointment by Conference of a probationer for the French ministry, who is to come to this important field, will, I trust, be attended by the divine blessing, and it will be my duty and pleasure to render all possible assistance.

WILLIAM SCOTT.

LONGUEUIL AND BOUCHERVILLE.

The work of the year, now about to close, began by serious persecutions, which terminated in the burning of our outbuildings, not by accident. These persecutions for a time caused great discouragement, and we would have despaired for the future of this country, when, to our astonishment, the Omnipotent and All-wise made use of these same obstacles for the advancement of His kingdom, by the revival of religious interest in the heart of this population, more indifferent than Roman, and at the present time the future is much more encouraging. Our religious firmament is almost free from cloud or evil signs, so that ere long we shall reap in abundance, and with songs of triumph, the fruits of the divine seed we have sown in the midst of great tribulation, and notwithstanding the difficulties almost insurmountable. Already we have souls rejoicing in their only Saviour, who knew Him not a year ago. One of these has departed this life, and we have sufficient reason to believe she now rejoices in the privileges of the redeemed.

Since the 1st of July last we have held our services regularly, and by the kind assistance of Bro. Crowle, of Hochelaga, we have brought to interest themselves in our work a good number of friends who speak English, who come every Sunday to hear the Gospel.

Our Sunday-school commenced with ten scholars, and we now have thirty on our list. Since the opening of our school more than fifty scholars have met in our classes, a considerable proportion of these being French-Canadian Roman Catholics. An interest is shown in this work by our friends in general, but by our Superintendent, Mr. Morse, in particular, to whom we are much indebted, and we anticipate for our school brighter days. More than five hundred passages of Holy Scripture have been committed to memory and recited by the

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