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## THIRTY-SIXTII ANNUAL REPORT

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## French Canadian Missionary Society,

## ANAIVERSARY MEETING.

The Annual Mecting of the Frrion Camadan Mismpary Society was held on the 28 th January, 1875 , in the Methodist Church, St. James Street, Montreal, the Rev. Henry Wilkes, D.D., LL. D., in the chair. After devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. F. A. 6tafford, an abstract of the Annual Report was read by the Recording Secretary, Rev. J. 'T. Pitcher; after which the following resolution was adopted :-

Moved by the Rev. Charles Chapman, M. A., and seconded in French by the Rev. Louis Lavgel:

1. Resolved, That the report, an abstract of which has now been eead, be adopted, printed and circulated, and that the following be the office-bearers a nil members of the Committee during the ensuing year, with power to add to their number.

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Moved by Rev. Prof. MacVicar, LI.D., seconded by the Rev. J. F. Stevenson, LL.B.
2. Resclied.-That on Patriotic, Historic and Religious grounds this mecting is calicd upon to give the Word of Life to the Frence Romanists of this Province.

Moved by the Rev. George. H. Wejls, and seconded by the Rex. C. Chiniqui.
3. Resolved, This meeting exprasies the conviction that a deeper impression of the entire dependence of the Chtrich on the Holy Spirit for the success of her evangelistic work should be earnestly sought; and that there is great need of increasing, beliewing and more fervent prayer for His gracious coming.

The pupils from Pointe-aux-Trembles and a choir from the various French Protestant Churches, sung several hymns during the evenins. After the Doxology the Chairman pronounced the Benediction.

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Rev. J. A. Vernon,
" L. Langel,
" R. P. Duclos,
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" T. G. A. Côté,
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" E. Seylaz.
" J. Jacroux,

Pointe-aux-Trembles, Principal, Rev. G. M.: DesIslets; Assistants, Messrs. J. Bourgoin and J. Watier ; Directress of Girls' School, Miss S. Cairns; Assistant, Miss Bouchard.

Teachers, at Qutbec, Miss Vary; Foilitte, Miss Lucas: Greni illc, Miss Flavie Groulx.

## THHTTY-SXTH ANNUAL REPOOTT.

The great qucstion now stirring to its depths our Fatherland, through Mr. Gladstone's pamphlet is equally pertinent to us in Canada. The progress of Ultramontanism, its designs against the liberties of our Country, and endeavours to deepen the spiritual slavery of its votaries are equally marked and persistent. How to peet and arrest the advancing ride is to us even a more practical duty and matter of enquiry. But while we are alive to its connection with the soci and political interests, not only of the French Canadian Romanists but of ourselves, as a Society we specially mark its influence in rivetting firmer the chains of errorand superstition by which they are bound, and at the same time endeavour to rescue them to the liberty with which the Lord Jesus Christ makes free His people.
This is no easy task in the face of long rooted habits, against the influence of a priesthood exercising perhaps more real moral power than in any other country, against selfish interests swaying all parties whether connected with municipal or provincial politics, and in the face of difficulties peculiar everywhere to aggressive efforts against Romanism. It is our duty to remind the friends of the Gospel again, as has been done repeatedly, that the work is one beyond the power of man, and that upon God alone can we rely for success, by the outpouring of His Holy Spirit in answer to fervent prayer. "Not by might, nor by power, but my Spirit sa:th the Lord of Hosts."
With these preliminary remarks, the Committee in presenting the Annual Report, desire to express their gratitude to Almighty God for His continued blessin ${ }_{5}$ s on the labours of the Society during the present year. It has been one of considerable anxiety, yet furnishing much to encourage and excite our gratitude. The work has gone on steadily, and there have been some gratifying instances of individuals freeing themselves from priest!! trammels and now resting by faith on Jesus Christ as their only Saviour.
The missomarics hase not met with that bitter persecution from the people that they have sometimes encountcred, and notwithstanding the firm and continued opposition of the prissthood, they have generally been
civilly treated, even at times, gladly welcomed and invited to converse on religious subjects, or to read a portion of Scripture to eager listeners. Many of the people express their surprise that they are forbidden by their Church to read a book which commends itself to them.

One marked feature among the French Canadians during the past year has been their strong desire to have their children educated, and educated at Protestant. schools. A much larger number than usual have applied for admission at Pointe-aux- Trembles, and the Principal of that Institution in his last monthly report, remarks that if the Society could furnish accommodation and supply teachers, five or six hundred French Canadian children would attend during the coming year.

A detailed account of the work of the year will be found under the following heads :-

## EDUCATION.

This department of the Society's work has continued to engage the. earnest attention of the Committee. For the permanent success of the Mission, too much importance cannot be attached to the establishment of efficient schools, where both"a sound Scriptural and secular education may be obtained. To prove that such has been the character of the training at our Mission schools, we have but to refer our friends to our published records, where it will be seen that many of the pupils coming mostly from poor and unetucated families, a large proportion of them being the children of Roman Catholic parents, have become decided Christian men and women and now fill positions of usefulness and honor. Our schools have thus been made a blessing to the country, the Mission has been partially supplied with Evangelists, Colporteurs and Teachers, and many families have received the truth from the lips of their own children.

It is encouraging to see that the French Canadians are waking up to the importance of having their children well educated, and that many of them prefer Protestant schools to their own. This is evident from the fact that a larger number than usual during this winter have made application to enter our Institutes.

## POINTE AUX TREMELES.

Whilst there is every desire to secure for the pupils at this Institute as thorough instruction in the elementary branches of education as their limited attendance will permit, the great objects of religious training and personal salvation are kept prominently in view. Every effort is made to awaken and instruct the conscience and to inform and educate the mind, and thus to lay a foundation for future improvement and usefulness,

Family worship morning and evening, and the regular and devout recognition of God's providential care, help to give a practical aspect to the formal instruction from the Scriptures which is daily given to the whole school for one hour, as well as in the Sabbath School and other religious services conducted in the Institute every Sabbath.
The Annual examination for the session of 18 /3-4 took place last April under the direction of the Rev. Charles Chapman, M.A., chairman of the Education Committec. The classes passed a satisfactory examination in History, Reading, Geography, Arithmetic, Grammar, Music and Com. position, and some of the older pupils in Latin, Greek and Mathematics, The whole school had been taught the Old and New Testament history. the principal evangelical doctrines, and the Scriptural arguments against the Church of Rome. There was an evident desire on the part of most to improve their advantages zealously, and some of them must have worked hard to have accomplished as much as was discovered. The general appearance and training of the pupils deserved praise. The thanks of all are due to Mr . Tanner and his indefatigable colleagues in this good work for their self-denying zeal and the thorough training given the pupils. During the session eight boys and four girls acknowledged Christ as their Saviour.

## CHANGF UF TEACIERS.

The Committec regret to state that the Rev. C. A. Tumer, Principal at Pointe-aux Trembles, owing to his wife's illness, had to resign his charge. The Committee accepted Mr. Tanner's withdrawal with much regret and recorded their high approval of the manner in which he had fuffilled his duties, as well as their sense of Mrs. Tanner's services. These vacancies have been supplied by the Rev. Mr. Des Islets and his wife who have thus returned to positions where they have been so useful. In the boys department Mr. Des Islets is ably assisted by Mr. Bourgoin and Mr. Watier. Miss Cairns with her unflagging zeal and devotion, continues as Directress of the girls' department, assisted by Miss Bouchard a former pupil. There are at present 64 boys and 41 girls in these schools being 31 more than last year. Of these 43 are Roman Catholics, 53 children of converts and 9 Protestants.

## MR. DESISLETS' REPORT.

[^0]owing to her mother's illness has gone home, she has been replaced by Mis. Elisa Touchette, a very industrious and honest young women, also a former pupil.

Mrs. Des Islets contindes to direct the household affuirs and to instruct The pupilis of both schools in vocal music. As this is the first session for the majority of the pupils they hear the Gospel for the first time. We make the salvation of those committed to our care the first olject, and at the same time seek to train them for usefulness in whatever station they may be called to fill. During the last month four of the pupils pas. took of the Lord's supper for the first time. Three of them having been brought.to Ch:ist in the school, the other one received the Gospel under our Missionary at Chi 4 coutimi. Considering their former instruction, the errors and superstitions that many of them have imbibed before coming to us, it is often wonderful the change that takes place in many of them during one session.

Our pupils have a prayer meeting among thensclves every sunday, and it is well attended. May God answer their prayers.

If we had means and accommodation we could have several hundred Roman Catholic children in our Institute. We are looking for the blessing of the Lord to rest upon our labors."


GIRLS' SCHOOL.

## MISS CAIRNS' REPORT.

"We are able to sum up the history of the past year in a few simple facts.
We commenced the year with 33 pupils, one-third of whom were Roman Catholics, the remainder were chiefly, the children of converts, 17 of these children were here for their first session, 6 in their second, 7 in their third, and 3 in their fourth session.

- In looking over the list of Roman Catholic pupils, we have asked ourselves thi question: Why do their parents send them to an avowedly Protestant School, where they know full well they will get no encouragement to strengthen them in their faith? We find, on enquiring, that some are sent because their parents begin to lose confidence in the teachings of Rome, and would wish to find out if Protestantism can give them something more solid and satisfying to rest upon. Others are sent bemaise their parents find they can get a better and cheaper education here than at their own-schopls and to combat our religicus teachings, they furnish their children with Rosary and Frayer

Book, and take care that their chilfren are not sent until after thetr first Commu. nion, and then they hope they are safe. The first class generally receive what they are looking for, the second, in part, i. e. their children make progress in Reading, Writing, Arithmetic. ©c., bul along with this their faith gets a great shaking. How can it be otherwise when they receive an hour's instruction every day in the truths of the Bible? these instruction; being accompanied with the prayer that God may bless His Word to their enlightepment. And not our prayers alone, but we have no doubt that the Throne of Grace is besiegred by the prayers of thousands all over the land, that our work here may be blessed and that error may be cast down. Another question we ask, ourselves Why do not all our pupils, who are admitted, return the second year? Again we find an answer for most of them. Those who do not return are those who could only be siared from their families for one winter, and that at some sacrifice, in order that they might simply learn to read and write a little-for the eyes of our French Canadians are. beginning to be opened to the inconverience of total ignorance in these branchesAgain we ask: Those that remain with us for two, three or four winters, what are they going to make of their privileges? During the past two years, five of our girls have ubtained Elementary Diplomas from the Board of Examiners, three of these have filled posts as teachers, in our Mission Stations. Those who may not see it their duty to teach will, we hope, return to their homes well grounded in the truth, and strive to exert a good influence in their families and among their neighbours, and when they have families of their own, that they shall bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and not in the superstitions of Rome.

We cannot speak of great results of the work of grace in our midst we have had no heavy showers, no great outpourings of the Holy Spirit, only just a gentle droppinit, only just enough to refresh us a little. Six of our girls have come out openly and professed Christ, and it seems to us that they ate fighting bravely to overcome the old man Adam, and striving to adorn themselves with the graces of Christ.

At the commencement of our Session in October, our pupils came in much pore promptly than usual. We have 43 names on our Roll, twenty-three of whom are here for the first time, fourteen of them are the children of Roman Catholies. As regards attainments, fourteen of our girls are beginners, i. e. some of them can read a little, others are not able to read. at all; seventeen are studying the ordinary branches: Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography, Composition and English ; the remaining twelve have, in addition to these, Canadian History and Art of Teaching. All the pupils have two lessons a week in Vocal Music and an hour each day in the study of the Scriptures, and are taught sewing every Saturday afternoon. Apart from study, two hours and a half each day are devoted to the house-work, and' every Saturday morning to scrubbing and cleaning. The washing awd ironing are done by the-larger girls, this takes up one day and half each fortnight.

In October last, our staff of teachers changed. Madame ßourgoin retiring from work was replaced by Miss Bouchard. Madame Gobeille is no longer with us, we cannot express the regret we feel at her departure; we miss so much her kind and Christian influence, her patient forbearance, and never-tiring charity for the shortcomings of others, in short, she seemed to be possessed of every quality necessary for the position she filled.

Some of our larger girls have aided us greatly. One of them who is studying to take her Diploma this Spring, has the entire charge of the girls during their stydy hours and has shown herself quite capable to maintain order among them. This has been a great help to us; for it is weary work when the teacher is obliged to be in the class in the eve-
ning after having taught all day. Some of the others have manifested a spirit of interest in the welfare of the Mission by trying to mend things that get broken, and in putting things in their places that are going astray. These seemingly little actions encourage us very much. They show us that these pupils feel grateful for the privileges they enjoy, thus trying to save the Mission funds.

On the whole, we are encouraged in our work, God has given us a good degree of health and strength. He has been with us to cheer us in the midst of our difficulties! and where His presence is, there the hardest labor seemselight. Our prayer is that He may continue to stand by us and that He may bless more abondantly our feeble effor for the enlightenment of the souls committed to our charge.

## OTHER SCHOOLS.

In addition to those at Pointe-aux-Trembles, the Socicty supports entirely, or in part, a number of smaller schools.

- Montreal.-For the prcsent this school has been closed partly owing to the want of a suitable room. There were 30 children in attendance when it closed. There is a pressing necessity for an efficient French school in this city. Considering the large number of immigrants from old France and the number of French Protestants already here, it is to be regretted that no provision has been made in any public school for the instruction of their children in all the various branches of education in the French language, and that some Protestant parents who desire to have their children taught in the French tongue are forced to send theit children to Roman Catholic schools. Had the Committee sufficient funds at their disposal they would at once establish a French Protestant school.

Quebec.-This school is under the care of Miss Vary, 15 children attend. The teacher furnishes an account of some very interesting cases of conversion. This is one: A Roman Catholic boy who for the first time had read the Bible, was greatly intcrested in reading about Joseph, Moses and Jacob. When he met his companions he would repeate these portions of Old Testament History to them, and assure them that they were not novel stories but real truths; soon his companions became as interested, and purchased a Bible that they might read for themselves. The same boy learned several hymns at the School, and during the summer, when with his father on a barge, the father often asked him to sing the hymns to the bargemen, and through the singing of these hymns at home, and the reading of his daily lessons in the Bible, the family were led to the Saviour.

Joliette.-Miss Lucas teaches a school of 15 scholars.
Grenvafer.--Since the resignation of Miss Matthieu this school has been taught by Miss Groulx, a former pupil of Pointe-aux-Trembles.

Ste. Cecile.-The school at this place is only open during the summer months. Since Mr. Boy the former teacher, resigned his connection with the Society in September last, no school has been taught. It is the intention of the Committee to open it again in the spring.

Chicourimi.-The Rev. Mir. Côté, one of the Missionaries continues to conduct a very important educational institution, it iscupported largely by friends of the Society. He has also a most interesting Sabhath school.

## EVANGELIZATION.

## SNNOD DES EGLISES EVANGEIIQUES.

$\checkmark$ The relations of this body with the Society have been repeatedily stated, and the conviction expressed that in aiding and countenancing the Synod formed to undertake the work of the churches, the Society was acting in accordance with its undenominational character, and the best interests of the church of Christ. As expressed in a preceding Report, there are strong reasons why French Canadian evangelization should take ecclesiastically, this national and independent form. The future alone can determine whether this is destined to take root amongst the French Canadians. They form a compact and separate community of nearly a million souis, intensely attached to their nationality and their language. A gospel and a church coming to them, associated with, rather than in opposition to, these deeply rooted sentiments, and freed from the difficulties presented by the outward•divisions of British Christians, would certainly possess some advantage over denominational effort. Nothing more formidable to the Church of Rome in this Province could well be conceived than the existence of an active earnest Protestant church essentially French Canadian.

The question how to render the Synod still more self-governing and independent, as well as self-reliant, has ofte: been raised, but without any distinct solution. In October last however, the ordained Missionaries in connection with the Society, by invitajion of the Committee, nret in Conference, and after revising the Cons' 'ation of the Synod in some points where needed to secure greater etriciency in its working but not altering its fundamental principles, a joint meeting with the Committee was held and after full discussion the following resolution was adopted.

[^1]circumstances of the case, approve of the course now taken by the Synod so far as giving greater independence of action by having the support of the Pastors disbursed through the Treasurèr or other agency appointed by the Synod. It being always provided that the adoption of this arrangement with the Synod in no wise affects the Committee's present relation to those Pastors who may not for any reason be a to become members of the Synod. Further that this Committee agree to pay over to theTreasurer of the Synod, for the year commencing ist November next the sum of $\$ 3,900$ by monthly instaliments of $\$ 325$ each, it being understood that the engagemem to contribute such funds shall only extend from year to year, the amount granted to be annually fixed according to circumstances, the Committee viewing the present arrangement asotemporary in character and as looking to the future independence of the Synod 25 to support from the Society.
It is further understond that ministers receiving any portion of the funds con!ributed by the Society, shall have signed the' Constitution and become bona fide members of the Syood. The amount now named is contributed with the understanding that the Syod will as a body and the members of it respectively so far as is consistent with due regard to its special work, seek to obtain funds from sources not open to the Society, so as to reduce the amount granted to the Synol. It being further understoot that all funds thus collected by the members of the Synod, and all contributions by the congregations over and above all ordinary contingent expensesmapart from the stifends of the ministers, shall be at the disposal of the Committee."

The Committee commend the Synod to the prayers and pecuniary liberality, of all who desire to advance the Gospel of the Lord Jesus among our benighted French Canadian population.

Saguenay. Report of the Rev T. G. A. Cote-_"The work entrusted to our charge furnishes much to encourage us and to be thankful for. I have recently net with most determined and bitter opposition from the Romish priests in this section, who have from the pulpit denounced me and warned their people not to admit me into their houses, or to hear me preach, and yet they cannot hinder their people from both receiving me kindly and often coming to hear me preach the Gospel. The people say that the bitterness of their priests only lessens their confidence in them.

I make Chicoutimi the centre of my field of labor. It has a•church, a day-school, containing 20 schulars of whom six are Roman Catholics, also a Sunday school with about ide same number of children. There are twelve Protestant families. About fifty persons attend preaching, twelve of whom are members of the church.

Grand Bay station contains twelve Protestant families, twenty people attend our preaching, eight of these are members of the church.

Lac St. Johns' station has eight Protestant families, thirty persons. attend preaching, we have no church at this station. At present we are endeavouring to establish a Protestant school, and I hope during the coming year to be able to preach at that station twice a month. It is
most important that an active Colporteur should be flaced in this section of the country."
Quebec.-Report of the Rev. I. Lavgil.-"The chief duty of the Evangelist in this city is to cast the seed of the Word of God amongst the French Canadians and immigrants from France, trying to win souls for the Lord whenever opporturity offers. I spend as much time as the claims of the congregation in the city wiH allow, in visiting Levis, St. Romuald, Stadacona, Beauport \&c., making Quebec the principal point of effort. During the year there has been a steady increase in the number of persons attending divine service. The services are held in a small chapel, kindly put at our disposal for this purpose. Four of our families have removed from the city, yet we have 52 persons attending our Sabbath and week day services being an increase of about 30 over the previous year. This increase encourages us to believe that God will bless our mission yet more abundantly. We wait as the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth and hath long patience until he receive the early and latter rain.

Those who attend our services are of two classes, French Canadians and immigrants from France ; the latter having been more numerous than previous years. Most of them are poor, and many of them are under the too prevalent infidelity of old France, hating popery, and jnclined to laugh at ail religious questions. Yet we meet with not a few, desiring to begin a new life. Some of them are r.al descendants of the Huguenots, who follitit for their faith and liberty. I must mention the case of a man and his wif who came from Toulouse, whose only possessions at the begining of this winter were a picture of C.Wvin and Luther, a Bible and one cotton quilt ; they were without money, bread or work. During the week of prajer theircase was mentioned at a !arge prayer meeting and help was at once sent them. We have made it uur duty to get hold of such people and as far as possible find them cinployment. Among the French Canadians we have seen some signs of spintual life, many of them asking for the Bible ànd receiving it as the $15 .-1$ of God. But the religious and moral slavery that they have been unchi for generations cannot be put off in a day, especially as many of them cannoigread.
The opposition of the priesthood ha, Leen felt in our school, and also in ${ }^{\circ}$ all the Protestant schools in the cit . as where large numbers of both French and Irish R Catholic children : merly attended, there are scarcely any now, their parents hate been s:: :! furbidlen by the priests to allow their children to attend.
Some members of our congregation who have for a time been almost persaaded to become Christians have yielded their hearts to the Lord

Jesus Christ, and are now decided in character and effort for good. We have some additions to our congregation almost every Sunday.

A generous friend of the mission has purchased a property on which we are hoping to see a mission church built. I am assisted in my work here by Mr. Guieu and Mr. Leclain two of the Society's Colporteurs."

Joliette.-Report of Rev. Joseph Vessot.-"During the past year I have been able to minister to the spiritual wants of from thirty to forty persons who have regularly attended the public services.

There are now in Joliette, twelve Protestant families, numbering sixty. three persons, of these seventeen are members of the Church. Eighteen children attend the Sunday school, partly directed by Mrs. Gilmour and myself, and fourteen the day school, under the care of Miss Lucas, who is highly qualified for teaching, holding a diploma from the McGill Normal school of Montreal. For the last months of the year I have been enabled to visit occasionally the stations of St. Elisabeth, Ramsay and Kildare, where we have had interesting mectings.

I have not forgotten my Komish friends, with many of whom I have had serious conversations, and am glad to see that some are enquiring after the truth and diligently searching the Scriptures. May light be given them from above and the blessing of the Lord rest more and more on the work to which He has called his unworthy servant, for notwithstanding the many mercies which have been our lot, it is still a source of pain to us and to the friends of the cause to see that our Mission-building remains unfinish. ed, and we call upon the generosity of Cod's people to help us out of this difficulty."

Montreal.-Report of the Rev. J. A. Vernon.-" Our Church in this city has suffered greatly from removals, and other causes have tended to weaken the cause, yet thirty or forty members continue faithful to the Lord and still adhere to our Church. Our congregation varies from 50 to 200 . The people being dispersed in all parts of the city, and some ourtside ' of it, when the weathet is cold or stormy, the attendance at the public services is not large. I have I 50 families that I should visit, but my time is much engaged in visiting the sick and poor and in attending French Protestants in the Hospital, House of Refuge, and in speaking to any who will allow me in the prison.

A large number of Roman Catholics have applied to me for counsel and to aid them in getting employment. This gives me an opportunity to call upon them at their homes and give to them the Gospel. I have succeeded in getting a number of their children into the French Protestant Mission schools. Several Roman Catholics have sent for me in ther
illness, and when asked why they had done so, they almost invariably reply, that they have no confidence in their priests.

About 30 children attend the Sunday school. We owe very much to Miss Wilkes for her perseverance and faithfulness in maintaining the school. Some of the students in the Presbyterian College have assisted me both if the Church and school."
St. Hyacinthe. - Report of the Rev. R. P. Duclos.-"The year has been marked by considerable increase bath in the congregation, the Church and the district school. Our Church having been regularly organized has taken many unpleasant duties from my hands, and at the cost of a good deal of sacrifice secured such articles as have contributed to the improvement of our religious services. Our meetings are well attended, and it is no uncommon thing to see from 10 to 30 Roman Catholics present. We have 25 members and a congregation of about 75 . It may be interesting to the friends of the Mission to know that young girls have been taken from the nunnery in this town and placed under our care, and are now being taught in our school. I have for the most part left Acton under the care of Mr. Gatignol. I have visited Riviere Noire where two families listen with pleasure to the Word of God. At Grand Range several families rejoice in the Word of our Lord. Besides in families have the Gospel in their homes in St. Hyasinthe, though they do not connect themselves with us. This is true also of other families in the. surrounding villages.

At a funeral of one of our members we could but exclaim, what a change! There were present at the preaching of the Word on that occasion 60 Roman Catholics of the best citizens in the town who gave most reverend and solemn attention to the Gospel. The work of the Lord is evidently prospering. May we see still more gracious fruits."

Grenville.-Report of Rev. I. Mathieu.-"My field extends over the districts of Grenville and Belle Riviere, with six stations, namely Grenville, Arundel, Harrington, Grand Lac, St. Andrew's and Belle Riviere. 'The families connected with these stations are 45. I hold regular services at Grenville and Belle Riviere, with congregations of 40 and 25 respectively. During the year ten members have been added to the church at Grenville.

The largest number of pupils at our mission school during the year was 43, 21 children of Roman Catholics, 15 of Protestants and 7 of converts. The largest number of children at our Sabbath School was 20."

## COLPORTAGE.

This Department of work, to which the Society has always given special prominence, continues to show progress and afford encouragement. It will be seen that the circulation of the Scriptures this year is about the same as last, while of Tracts and Books it is considerably larger; at the same time the people are reported as increasingly open to the visits of the Colporteurs and becoming more independent of priestly opposition.

Before entering into details, the following remarks as to the character and general influence of the Colportage work seem called for.

It is a work of great trial to the Colporteurs, owing not only to physical difficulties from extremes of cold in winter and heat in summer, from indifferent fare and lodging, from roads sometimes almost impassible, but from the power of the priests, greater perhaps than in any other country, in preventing the reception of the Word of God. To secure this end, they poison the minds of the people by representing it as only fitted to deceive them and lose their souls-a book to be torn up with contempt and burnt. If such treatment is not enough to prevent its purchase, then follow virulent persecution and threats of spiritual penalties, which the Romish clergy know so well to employ in crushing out the light of the Gospel. Add to all this the illiterate state and poverty of the people, and it will be realized that Colportage in this Province is a work of difficulty. Still it must be carried on if the French Canadians are to be made intelligent believers of the Gospel, for while the Word of God teaches, andevery one engaged in missionary work knows by experience, that without the omnipotent and Sovereign power of the Holy Spirit no soul will be converted to Christ, yet God has appointed His Word as the means by which the Holy Spirit works savingly.

How then can the French Canadian people be reached in their parishes and distant settlements, where scarcely a Protestant is to be found, andthe power of the priest is almost supreme, unless the Colporteur seeks them out in their homes or in the harvest field, carrying with him the Word of God and the religious tract or illustrated papers. To obtain an entrance to the truth he must offer his books and speak to the people in the Market place, at the Railroad depot, and on the steamboat, but especially does he aim, as he goes from house to house, to assemble in the evening the neighbours of some friendly farmer, and expound the Scriptures with prayer and singing, if allowed, until perhaps midnight.

This is a work separate from that of the schoolmaster and pastor, and in the present state of this province, must be persevered in and encouraged if the other departments of mission work, education and evangelization, are to be successful. From this point of view therefore the Committee
claim of all religious denominations labouring in this Province, support for a work virtually a pioneer and feeder to the work of the churches. More labourers in this department are needed to occupy this vast field, and there is no doubt under Divine aid, the result from an increase in our staff of labourers would be to augment and strengthen all the churches, and add to our mission schools.

In last report it was stated that advantage had been taken of Mr. Muraire's visit to the Continent of Europe to authorize him to engage additional Colporteurs. He succeeded in obtaining the services of three, Messrs Joseph Jacroux, Louis Leclain and J. Watier, who arrived safely in this country in May, and are now actively engaged, the two former as Colporteurs, the latter, since October as assistant teacher at Pointe auxTrembles. From testimonials possessed by these brethren as well as the evidence furnished from their labors, the Committee have reason to welcome them as useful missionaries.

Thanks are due to Mr. Muraire for his persevering efforts to secure suitable laborers, and the Committee have also to record their gratitude to the Rev. Professor LaHarpe, and the Rev. Mr. Dardier of Geneva, as well as other pastors in Switzerland and France for the help afforded Mr. Muraire in this important object. It is much to be regretted the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Muraire from Quebec, where their services have been so useful, and the Committee in acknowledging these, trust that in the new field to which he has been called, as pastor of a Swiss Church in the Western States, Mr. Muraire will prove himself as hitherto, a faithful . laborer in the Gospel. Reference to his collections is made elsewhere.
The Missionaries employed in this department with their stations are as follows, commencing from the Western extremity of the field.
i.-Mr. P. S. Vernier.-Formerly at Ottawa now.resides at Angers, more in the centre of his sphere of labor, which comprises the Ottawa region, west of Buckingham. Since the resignation in August of Mr. Boy, in charge of the school and congregation at St. Cecile, Mr. Vernier visits this place twice a month for Sabbath services, the Committee feeling the importance of these being kept up. He reports all here whom he has ever known as Protestants as continuing faithful, and that the attendance is good. The opportunities afforded him of máking known the Gospel are encouraging, he thus states;
"This summer in a Mill on the G——at mid-day at least fifty Roman Catholics heard me with respect and after an exhortation of three quarters of an hour, I was able to sell 6 Testaments and roo tracts."
"At N——on a Sabbath morning 22 French Canadians of whom 17 were Roman Catholics, were present at my meeting and I was afterwards able to speak of Jesus to pearly all of them individually."


#### Abstract

"At C__lately in the house of one of our Protestants, in the evening, M Roman Catholics heard the message of Jesus. 2.-Mr. Lous Leclain.-After his arrival in April he was stationed at Ottawa, where his visits to the families in the city as well as among the lumbermen and French immigrants passing through, have been warmly acknowledged by the Rev. M. Ami and other friends in Ottawa. At the close of the navigation, Mr. Leclain was transferred to Quebec, to labor with Mr. Guieu in the city and neighbourhood as well as to visit Riviere du Loup, which it is desirable should continue as a station of the Society.


3 -Rev. I. Mathieũ.-Although now adained Mr. M. by preference continues his visits fem house to house on week days, holding public services on Sabbaths. His report will be seen under Evangelisation.
4.-Mr. Elie Seylaz. - Was temporarily engaged as a Colporteur, and after labouring with Mr. F. Rondeau for*six weeks in the County of Joliette and vicinity, he has since November rolported in the County of Vaudreuil and other places on the Ottawa. It is desirable his engage. ment be continued.
5.-Mr. L. Van Bueren.-Devotes a large portion of his time, to the work of the Depository which continues to increase in its importations and issues. As usual he seizes every opportunity of conversing upon the gospel with persons entering the Depository, and for a portion of the day, visits the harbor, markets, and General Hospital. His special district is the Quebec suburbs, city and wharves, Montreal being districted with Messrs. Sarran and Jacroux as hereafter stated.
6.-Mr. A. Sarran.-Labors in the western parts of the city, comprising St. Joseph suburbs, the Tanneries and Griffintown, where he has regular meetings on Sabbath afternoons, and through the week. He has met with much encouragement both in his visits among the ${ }^{\prime}$ French Canadian families and the immigrants from France.
7. -Mr. Joseph Jacroux. - Has allotted to him the north easterm part of the city, including. St. Jean Baptiste village, visiting from house to house as he is able. He records interesting notices of the cases where these visits have been gratefully received. He as well as the other missionaries seeks to bring enquirers to the regular public meetings on Sabbath, and especially among the French immigrants, they are often successful.
8.-Mr. E. Richard continues as usual his evangelistic labors in'Terrebonne County, and adjacent region, including occasional supply of the church at Belle Riviere.
9.-Mr. Louis Marie, as health permits colports in the Island of

Montreal and Isle Jesus. and has sold a large quantity of Tracts and over fifty Testaments.
10.-Mr. J. Gatignol,, resides at Acton Vale, and labors in the County of St. Hyacinthe and neighbouring parishes and townships.
in.-Mr. A. Solandt, still visits as he has opportunity the large region of Megantic County, and the portions of the Seigniories towards the St. Lawrence on the North and the Chaudiere on the East. His reports of the fruits of the Cospel in that field are most encouraging. In one place he sold a Bible to the store keeper, and out of a dozen French Canadians whom he met in the shop, nine said they had Testaments, and .by their language it could be seen they were in the habit of reading the Scriptures.
12.-Rev. J. Vessot. - Resides at Joliette and while as often as possible keeping up the Sabbath services and visiting the converts there and at other stations, visits as previously the Roman Catholics in his field of labor.
13.-Mr. D. Amaron.-Owing to infirm health, Mr. A. has not for some time been regularly employed, but arrangements have been made for his visiting Berthier and immediate vicinity.
14.-Mr. Daniel Guieu.-Since Mr. Muraire's departure from Quebec, he has resided in that city, and labors there and in the neighbouring parishes, besides making a special work of visiting the French immigrants on their arrival at Pointe Levi. _Great encouragement was met with by himself and Mr. Watier among the latter, and a large number of Testaments and and tracts circulated.

I5.-Mr. Watier.-After colporting with Mr. Guieu,: during the summer and fall, was called to act as assistant teacher at Pointe aux Trembles.

To this record of the Stations where our missionariés labor, the Committee would add its high appreciation of their services and Christian character, and earnestly entreat for the prayers and sympathies of the Lord's people in their arduous work.

## Depository at Montreal.

The stock of French Scriptures, Books, Tracts and illustrated papers has been this year considerably increased; and the sales. including circulation by the Missionaries, are larger ; viz.


An increase over last year of 7,386 .

For grants_of the Scriptures, the Committee are much indebted to the British and Foreign Bible Society, and the American Bible Society; and for supplies of Books and Tracts, at greatly reduced prices, to the Religious Tract Society of London and to Henry Bewley Esq., of Dubliq A large importation of standard books has been made from Messrs. Sandoz. and Fishbacker, Paris. - The catalogue of French books and pamphlets from Paris and 'Toulouse comprises several hundreds of different torks, in Theology, History, Literature and Education. The Committee can thus offer every facility from assortment and lowness of price, for the circulation of French evangelical literature, an object of. so much importance in this country.

Besides these standard works there is on hand a large amount of Illustrated papers, L'ami de la Maison, L'Ouzrier Francais, Le Rayon de Solecil, and large posters, all well suited for circulation among the French Canadians.: 'There has also been received a great quantity of Tracts from Paris, Lausanné, and Dublin, the latter specially adapted for general circulation as being non-controvertial. These have been put up in packets of 100 tracts assorted, 4 and 8 pages, and are sold at 15 cents each packet, or 8 for a dollar, making 1000 tracts for that sum. The Committee most earnestly invite the attention of tract distributors, Sabbath School Teachers, and all interested in the evangelization of the French Canadians to the facilities thus afforded of circulating these messengers of the Gospel.

Orders sent to Mr. Van Bueren, at the Depository will be attended to.

## JOURNALS OF THE MISSIONARIES.

The following extracts show among other encouragements the blessed effect of God's word in leading the French Canadian people to the Lord Jesus Christ, their growing spiritual independence of, and want of conf. dence in their priests, and the new field of missionary labor presented among the immigrants from France. These results must be deeply interesting to the friends of the Redeemer, and cannot fail to call forth unceasing prayer to God for the Holy Spirit to inspire our Missionaries in their arduous labors.

## I.-ENCOURAGING FRUITS OF MISSIONARY WORK.

Haply death of an old pupil of Pointe aux Trembles. $-\mathbf{m} . \mathrm{F}-$ has just passed away. He was very young when left an orphan, a cheritable lady of the city of Quebec having taken him under her protection, sent him to thy Pointe aux: Trembles School. Although feeble in hody, he had a good intellect and an ardent
mind. All the teachers loved him tenderly and treated him as one of their own chil: dren. During his stay his health improved, and his mind greatly developed, his memory and heart became enriched with the precious truths of the Gospel. . He preferred manual labor to study and came to Montreal to learn the trade of a printer, but the influence of such a large city was prejudicial to his heart, and he appeared to have paid little attention to the claims of religion. While still young, he found himself at the head of a family. He did not succeed in his plans and became overwhelmed with troubles. IIe was at length arrested in his course and placed in face of eternity by a mortal sickness, which brought him to the grave before the age of 22 years, Blessed be God, the incorruptible seed of the word had been early thrown into his heart, and before his death he recognized and regretted his faults and his indifference to the calls of his Saviour. I often visited him during his illness and these visits were mot only to me a great privilege, but a means of edification. He several times frankly confessed his regret at having neglected the one thing needful. "Come often and see me" he would say, " and speak of the Saviour and His grace. You know we do not easily become detached from the things of earth. I know however that I am going to be with my Saviour. I leave behind me a wife and two little children, but the Lord has cared for us up to the present time and I am confident that He will take care of my family after my departure."
Thus M. F-died in the faith, in peace with his Saviour, after having early in life learnt the truth in our Missionary School. "Cast thy bread upon the waters, for thou shall find it after many days." J. A V.
The word having frer course. - At (i- the priest preached against mybooks, and had ordered his people to burn them. However I sold a Bible to a storekeeper, and about a dozen people entering the store, he told them what he had bought. One of them said he had a New Testament for ten years back and had kept it in spite of the priest. He had found out why their church would not let them read it, and this was because Jesus Christ had told his apostles not to take money for their services and what they freely received they were to give freely. He said further he had found that the purgatory taught in the New Testament was the blood of Christ which cleanses from all sin. Another man said he had his Testament for eight years, but had hard work to keep it. When the priest learned of his having it, he called to advise him to burn it, or give it to him for that purpose. "When I refused said the man," to do either, he asked my wife to burn it, but she being afraid, he refused her absolution during eighteen months. Finally he came one day to the house and accused me of not loving my wife, or I would take more to heart her salvation, and not allow her to perish for sake of the book. I told him if he wanted a woman to govern he should take a wife himself. The result was that seeing me so decided to keep. the book, he gave my wife absolution."

Out of the twelve who came into the housc, there were nine that said they had the New Testament, and by their language one could see they were in the habit of reading it.

At T. N $\quad 1$ visited several families to read the Scriptures to them. Among them was a young man, a French born Protestant, whose wife a Roman Catholic who had also come out from France, had left the Romish Church and had resolved to follow the Gospel, but needs instruction. A. S.

An Opponent turned Iveuirer. - Two years ago I happened to be in $G$ and offered my books to a blacksmith. He at first refused them, but at length accepted a tract, and a Gospel. I gave up the books for lost, as he appeared so very much
opposed to the truth. However man proposes, but God disposes, for this man met me lately and asked for a Testament and is now searching for the truth. P. S. V.

Progress among the people.-In spite of the farmers and their laborer, being very busy in the fields during the past month we have been able to place several Testaments and a large number of tracts, and the conversations which we have had prove that the Gospel is making progress in the hearts of the people. . Several person. are commencing to perceive the abuses of the Romish priests, hut they dare not speak against the existing state, of things; while others more courageous, are faithfully exposing the improper conduct of the clergy.

Good resul.ts. - I visited lately a family which appeared well disposed towards the Gospel. I found out they had been very badly treated by the priest who had refused to baptize one of the children without being paid at once, the woman having offered t1 pay him a little later. I have visited this family twice and the last time the woman appeared disposed to leave the church of Rome. I hope with God's help this step on their part will be taken. L. L.

An interesting case. - At one of our meetings a man and his wife were present and after my dis urse in which I referred to the Romish doctrine of confession they sent for me and I had an interesting conversation with diem in the presence of ten other persons. .Mr. M——apl his wife appear well dispused and I hope that soon they will leave the church of Rome in order to follow the Gospel. J. G.

The reading of the Scriptures blessed. - At C-_I met a man who had put me out of his shop at O ——and when I again offered him the Scriptures he reminded me of having done so. I said the master I served told me to be of good courage. He thought he must be a saint to act so, and when I told him it was Jesus' Christ and spoke to him of His doctrines, he at last bought a Testament, giving double price and wishing me God's blessing. P. S. V.

At A. "C_called on a Protestant married to a French Canadian Romanist, with a family of six children, the four boys Protestant and the two girls Roman Catholic. He asked me to dinner, and afterwards I gave some tracts to one of the girls. On that the wife abused me, and ordered me out of the house, but the husband calmly said to her, "my dear wife, I asked this gentleman to dinner and now I want him to read the Bible. If you do not like to listen you can retire." "I read and explained for one hour several passages bearing on the way of salvation, and when leaving, the woman came up and gave me her hand without saying a word. I met again the husband who said his wife had shed tears after I left, and wished to see me. The Bible had proihced fruit. Let us expect God has glorious results in reserve for us. P. S. V.

An early Convert.-Having heard that Madame G_- was very sick, I wem to see her. My visit was much welcomed and she begged me to return. This sister is one of the first fruits of our mission. For 34 years I have had the pleasure to speak to her of the Good news of salvation. She has been a consistent Christian and could well say with Paul. "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course', I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lorl the righteous Judge will give me at that day :" J. V.

D- jeg testimony to the Gospel.-During two weeks I visited one of our oldest converts, who latterly lived with a Roman Catholic family where I visited her. She was very ill and wished ta go to the General IIN,ital, and on my application she
was admitted and died there. As it was plain she would not live long, the people with whom she had stayed asked if she wished tof have the priest, "No" was her answer, "I wish to soe a minister, I believe in the Gospel and not in the priest." From that moment they would not keep her and told her to leave. She then sent word to Madam G —who sent for me. In the Hospital she was visited by two nuns, but was faithful in confessing Christ anl they left off visiting her. She was pretty deaf so I was obliged to read rather loud. Next to her was another French Canadian womanm who listened with great attention to what I was reading and when I explained the love of (rod towards us in Christ Jesus, she said, "That is the truth." ' After I had prayed with Josette, I asked this woman, if she had understood what I said? "O yes Sir! but there are many things I want to know." She then asked me about prayers to the Virgin and the Saints; about purgatory, good works \&c., and it took me more than half an hour to answer all her question:. She scemed delighted with what she heard and expressed her astonishment at the difference between the two religions, and begged me to come again. Next morning on returning I was surprised to find she had been taken to the Hotel Dien, so I was prevented from conversing any more with her. L. V. B.

A Fáminfl lischele.--I have much cause of rejoicing in Mr. D__a member of our Church, through his Christian coniluct, and the conversations he has with his fellow workmen. He has induced one to take the loan of a Bible, and another to buy. a copy, and a book in which the doctrines of Rome are shown to be condemned by the scriptures.. He speaks of the Saviour not only in the shop but to those he may be walking with. May God grant that many of His chiddren not only French but English speaking that language, be stirred up to do likewise and very soon we would wee a new life in our churches, and it would not be so hard to obtain money to carry on the work, as every one would be interested in it. I.. V. B.

A cle.sr Testrmony.-A woman said to me, "if we were to listen more to the ruice of our conscience and meditate more on the sufferings of our Lord who died for our sins, we would not live in, wickedness as many of us do." This is the best sermon I ever heard from a Koman Catholic, I thank God for it. I. M.

Scribivers vilued.-I found an obstacle to the sale of my books from the harvest being bad. I could read in a good many houses, the people wondering why their church will not permit them the reading of such a good book as the Bible. Several told me I should get the approbation of the Bishop and then I would sell a good many more. I found a woman having a Testament published by the British and Foreign Bible Sociedy in 152 . . The priest wanted to take it from her several times but she would not part with it. I found another woman who had a Testament much worn, so he bought one to replace it, telling me the more she reads the more she wants to read it. If it were not for the great efforts the Romish Church is making to keep the people in ignorance as regards religious things, they would soon receive the truth as it is in Jesus; May this time soon come.

Trutil AND, Erkur.-At P. C-I I visited a man to whom I had lent a Bible "ho said to me, "No priest could make me burn this Holy book, the Bible, though he hould ofer me this house full of gold or silver, for that gold would not save me at the last day. I beliege the bible to be the Book of books and feel very sorry whenever I hear of it being thrown into the fire by the priests." In the same house I met an old "oman ( 97 year, ohl) who was very poorly clad, to whom I sail, are you prepared to teave thi woml: he said, "I mom now nincty-seven years old and do not remember
of having wronged any one in all my life, I believe the Bible to be a good book and I do as well as I know how to please every body." "Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ," I said. Her answer was not at all satisfactory giving evidence that she trusted nò in her priest but in her conduct towards her neighbours, to be saved. I preached to her Christ as the only means given unto men under heaven whereby we must be saved, and left the house after praying and expounding the word of Gool.

## .II.-GROWING INDEPENDENCE AGAINST PRIESTLI JOW'ER.

Want of confidence in the priests. - At R——where the people are very much opposed to the Gospel, a man said to me speaking of the priests. "I cannot now have any confidence in them, because I am convinced the doctrines of the Church of Rome are false, and that the lives of the priests themselves are a complete contradiction to thair teachings."

At St. C_ after a day of fatigue and discouragemend, we entered into a board. ing house to spend the night, when our host, it being a Friday, asked us if we abstained from meat or not. Noticing our, surprise at his question, he said "Do not be astonished; gentlemen, at what I ask you, for many persons even priests do one and the other. Two years ago two priests came to my house on a Friday and not only took meat, but also drank freely of 'strong liquors. I was very much astonished at this and since then have not been apte to admit that the priests are really what they pretend to be, the representatives of God upon earth." "No,"we added, "the Bible is the only visible representative of God on the earth, IIe hasgivenit to us for our rule of life." D. G. and J. W.

The rigift of private judgment champin- - In epite of conimual prohibitions of the Romish clergy to their people not to purchase any book not approved by the - Bishop we occasionally meet with people courageous and reasonable enough to-say they cannot accept or copdemn a thing they do not know. Thus a man to whom I sold a Testament said to me." Your book is not approved by any Bishop and our priest is always preaching againstmbooks not sanctioned by them, but what do I care for their approbation or disapprobation? In order to knowl what a book is, we must read it, if it is good, it does not matter who the author is; if we cannot understand it, it cannot do us either good, or evil, and if it is a bad book, we can leave it alone." He then bought a Testament. D. G.

Conversation with a Pontiffcal Zulảvé.-Last week l met at C_with. a returned Zouave while waiting.the arrival of the cars. I asked him to tell me about his visit to Rome. He consented and among other things said: "Rome iṣ-not quite so holy a place as Canadians generally think, and as I believed it myself. We nearly died of hunger, and the day when the last place which we occupied was given up to the enemy, the Pope instead of remaining beside us, hurried away as fast as he could." I saw many scandalous things among the clergy and what I saw along with what I have learnt in 2 Bible brought from Europe has convinced me,that His IIoliness cannot be at the same time Pope and King. Onmy return to Canada I did not.conceal these facts and the priest came to see me and asked me if I had a Bible and at the same time reproached me for my conduct. I then found for him all the passages which condemn the pretentions of the papacy. The priest then said that I must give him up my Bible or burn it, because it was a bad book. I said to him, how can it become good, the moment it receives, the approbation of the Bishop!' Not knowing how to an-
swer me ; the priest said, 'Oh well you can read it, but do not show it fo any body." At the close of this conversation I sold two other Canadians, who wereurith my Zouave, each a Testament, and also 14 Gospels. I). (i.
Prifstly ${ }^{\prime}$ mpdind Rebuken. - Theypriest, who has been enraged againt me on account of certain books I had lent to some of his parishioners, wrote one of them a very haughty letter ordering him never to put his foot in my house again. But he a person of education replied thus, "I am much surprised at receiving your letter; it does, not indeed deserve any reply, but since you have gone out of your way to write me such absurdíties and moreover to tell a falsehood about certain books, I will answer it. As regards your attempt to prevent my visits to Mr. C-_ you need not hope to succeed. I have not found in $\mathrm{C}-\quad$ a more respectable family than the miaister's. I. meet at his house very polite and instructive people and when I leave after spending the evening I feel always better informed than when I went, and moreover, we do no speak evil of any body, but converse on interesting and instructive topics.". This answer evidently did not please the priest, but he has been at leasst obliged to hold his tongue ever since. T. A. C.
A Sexton's opinion of the Prifsts. - We went into a house whichtyrned out to he.that of the church Sexton with whom we had a long conversation on the errors of the Church of Rome. . At the close he said earnestly, "I see now the priests are a band of robbers and that purgatory and other like doctrines they teach are utter nonsense, and a powerful means for them to take our mozey; I hope the time is not far off when our country will shake off their tyrannical yoke. "He then took one of our Testaments and after examining it said "I would like," "to possess this book, but however small the price I could not purchase it" As he appeared desirous of learning the truth we gave him the book at which he appeared very much pleaied. D. G. and J. W.
Good results of a Conversation.-At L_-we met with a woman in the garden surrounded by her children. Among other things this person told us that the priests taught that earthly sufferings were meritorious and if borne patiently a means of gaining heaven. This furnished us with 'an opportunity of speaking of salvation by grace and of the errors of the Romish Churcl. On parting she said: "According to what you tell me, it is certain the priests aredeceiving us, and do so to enrich themselves at our expense whilst we are living in poverty, for as soon as we make any money, they take it from us, sometimes for Peter's pence, sometimes for missions,' for the souls in purgatory \&c." We gave her a small tract in which are refuted some of the errors of Rome., It G. and J. W.
Priestiy Intoleraxce. - Here at J- - since the lastelection the Rouge party is greatly irritated against the priests, for neary all of them, have preached that those who voted for that party would be damned. J. V.

## III. -UNSCRIPTURAL TEACHINGS OF ROME.

Salliation by money.-At A——I went into a house and found its mistress stretched upon a bed of sickness. I asked her if she believed, in case of her death, that her soul would go to heaven? She said, "I shall have to spend some time in purgatory " before reaching heaven." I told her there were but two places after death. She lise tened with attention to my remarks and said that the priest had told her she would not remain long in purgatory if ske paid him twenty-five dellars. Is not this simply abominable? 1's. 1.
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which had left the Church of Rome has again returned to it, as the result of a visit of the Bishop who in a sermon he preached against Protestantism declared that all who embraced its tenets would be condemned to eternal perdition. I: -6 .

## IV.-IMMIGRANTS FROM FRANCF..

Through the pecuniary encouragement of the Quebec Government without doubt. influenced by the Romish Hierarchy, a considerable number of immigrant, from France and Belgium have been induced to come to this Province. The Church of Rome has done its utmost to prevent Protestant immigration, and in this way expected to increase still more her followers, these French speaking immigrants being almost all Roman Catholics nominally. God has foiled her plans in a great measure however, and instead of being submissive votaries they are generally bitterly opposel tw the blind obedience demanded of them by the priests. The result has been they have met fith ill-treatment and discouragement from the French yanadians, under priestly instifation, which has led them to receive with more readiness our missionaries, (most of whom are natives of France,) in trying to lead them to the truth. On their arrival at Quebec they are visited, many receiving gladly the Word of God, and when they settle down in the cities, these kindly efforts are continued in inducing them in frequent Protestant places of worship and send their children to our schools. The most encouraging results have followed, and there is no doubt with the Divine blessing, many will be won over to the truth as it is in Jesus from a nominal belief in their church, and from what is much whre infidelity and indifference so common among them. These interesting strangers are commended to the prayers and warm sympathy of the Christian communif. The following extracts show how they receive our missionaries.

I am encouraged moy work amongit the French mmigrants who nearly all are prejudiced against the Romish clergy, but at the same time they are indifferent to the claimof evangelieal religion. With this indifference however, they have very little of the bigoty ound among the French Canadian. They receive me politely, although there aye few who occupy themselves seriously about their souls, some however, especially young people, give me pleasure who come to my meetings, and to the Craig street Church. One young man especially who has bought a lible, reads it with seriousness. Another young Frenchman who hidd been in the Hotel lieu, had a Testament burnt by a nun, much to his annoyance, and since his recovery he has left Romanism and attends to the instruction of the Bible.

A Frenchman who had been a very decuded Romanist and to whom I suht a Bible. has been studying it with great earnestness and begins to see that the Church of Rome is a false system: My impression is that he will through the operation of God's Spint coon become a true christian. He, comes occasionally in the Craig street Church. Afth S.

I have been well received by the french tmmingm, I met with. At In, gave some Lavoyards a Testament, I met also with a French Family who possessed a Bible and who appeared to love the truch, for they had attended Protestant worship in France and eemed to hare rejected the errors of the Church of Rome, J. B. M.
The Scriptires read by Immigrants.--I have distributed a number of Testaments among the French immigrants. There is one family specially interesting, the: head of it has a scholmaster's certificate and reads a great deal in the Bible. I often go to see him and can assemble at his house the members of some other familin

In another part of the city, there is a $n$ whman who as som as he come home from
work, begins to read his Te;tament. One night I went to see him and he was reading to his family and neighbours. Several families among these French, have entirely thrown of the yoke of Rome for the Gospel. I. J.
At the Hoiel Dieu, I visited several Frenchmen, and had an interesting conversation with one of them. This man has had a Testament since his entering the Hospital and said to me, "I ain very happy at haying this holy book with me, for often I think if innsolations, I never knew before."
I have received a letter from a young man who says he hav cead all the Testament, and thanks (iod for having brought him out of the paganism of Rome in which he wa., ant made him know His Word, through one of His servants. L. l..

Deitre for the Scriptcres. - An immigrant on returning to France, was presented in a lady from Alsace, with a Testament, which he received with joy, saying he had for a long time been persuaded of the error: of hic Church and wished to bave that Book.

I met another French immigrant a young man, very mtelligent, and after sonic consersation with him about the priests whose tyranny he complained of, I gave him a Testament, recommending him to come to our public service on Sabbath. He pro. mised to do so and has since attended them regularly, 1). (i.

## FINANCES

The Committee at the close of another financial year, render hearty thanks to God for the large income received, and especially for the donation at a time when pressingly needed of the large sum of $\$ 3200$. This gift acknowledged as from "a friend of the Society in Quebec," by special instruction of the generous donor, the Committee (owing to his death since) feel at liberty to make known as from- the late Peter I.e Rossignol, Esq., Merchant of Quebec. The widow and friends have the satisfaction to know that it has been of vital importance to the continued usefulness of the Societt.

The Committee also acknowledge with gratitude legacies from the late Mrs. Ralph Wilcon of Cumberland, and the late Thomas Fletcher Esq.. of Beverly, Ont.

The income of the Society this year has been $\$ 24,092$. being $\$ 1777$ wer that of last year, while the disbursementsvare $\$ 24,847$, being $\$ 3422$, in excess of last year. This addition has been principally in the departments of Education and Colportage, which have been proportionably. extended.

The balance due the Treasurer at the beginning of the year was $\$ 938$, at its close this date $\$ 1693$, as with be seen by the following abstract of the Treasurer's account :-Receipts, Canada, $\$ 15,47$; Great Britain and Ireland, $\$ 7,063$ : V'nited States, $\$ 1,214$ : Continent, $\$ 343$ : total. $\$ 24$ :092:

Disbursements-Education, $\$ 9,294$; Evangelization, $\$ 2950$; Colportage, $\$ 7,136$; Agency, $\$ 3,618$; Depository, $\$ 69$; Secretäry and office expenses, $\$ 406$; Printing $\$ 8 \mathbf{4 2}^{\text {; }}$; Miscellaneous, $\$ 183$; Interest, $\$ 349$;-total, $\$ 24,847$; leaving a balance due Treasurer on account of 1874 of $\$ 755$, to which add balance of debt in 1873 , making $\$ 1,693$ due the Treasurer.

It is most desirable this debt be paid off at once, and the Committee enabled to increase their operations. These have been considerably extended in all departments, but must be curtailed if the friends of the Society do not redouble their efforts, thus to pay off the debt and augment its income.

Auxiliary Committees are earnestiy requested to make their usual collections and remit the amount to James Court, Esquire, Treasurer.

Friends receiving collecting cards are respectfully urged to take up contributions in their respective neighbourhoods.

Copies of the Annual Report and of the Fournat, also of the form of constitution for an Auxiliary Committee will be sent, on application, by the Rev. J. T. Pitcher, Recording Secretary, Montreal.

The grateful acknouledgments of the Committee are tendered to the Ladies' Committees of Edinburgh and Glasgow, (through their 'zealous Secretaries Mrs. Macnider and Mrs. James Reid,) and to the Glasgow Committee. In connection with the latter, special thanks are due to Samuel Gunn Esq., acting Treasurer, Robert Young Esq., and other friends.

While acknowledging the valued services of long tried friends in the Parent Country still laboring for the Society, we have the painful duty of recording its obligations to others recently passed away, who almost from the commencement have been its active supporters. In the Journal for October will be found noticed the deaths of three such benefactors, Miss Janet Pinkerton, since 1845 , Secretary of the Glasgow Ladies' Committee; Bryce Allan Esg., for twenty-five years Secretary and Treasurer of the 1.verpool Auxiliary; and the Rev. William McClure, D.D. of I ondonderry. for many years a warm friend of the Society.

The warmest thanks of the Committee are also effered to the Montreal Ladies' Society and other Auxiliary Committees in the Dominion, and to the various congregations, Sabbath Schools, and contributors whose generous aid, has to so large an extent enabled the Committee to carry on the work of the Society. Under the head of Colportage and Scholerships will be found special acknowledgments.

To friends in the UNITEDSTATES the Committec offer their grateful
arknowledgments, for contributions in some cases repeated for many years. The claims of the Society's work upon Christians in the United States are set forth in the following extract from a paper read at the Dominion Evangelical Alliance Mecting, a perusal of which the Committce would earnestly invite.
The condition of Romanism in Canalla has a particular bearing upon the religious and social interests of the United States in many important aspects. The proximity of a people, a million in number, doubling every quarter of a century, cannot but exercise a potent influcpce upon the neighbouring country, especially when into it, a constant immigration is taking place. The French Canadians are found in large numbers in the factories, tanneries, brick yards, and shops of the States of New England and New York. It was stated that some 30,000 were enlisted in the Northern armies during the war. The Romish Church is looking for the control of the North West, and has already obtained a large share of political influence in that part belonging to the Dominion. Is it a matter of indifference to the United States whether the North Western region is to he filled and controlled by Roman Catholics or by Protestants? whether ministers of the Gospel or priests and nuns are sent to train up and mould the minds of the population, and lay the foundation of the vast power which some day will be there exercised? Is it the same thing in the warfare on school questions, or in the struggle for good government and for the right solution of many social and political questions dear to the Protestants of the United States, whether the French Canadians, either as immigrants or neighbors, are held in ignorance and under priestly control, or are well educated and intelligent Protestants? When the Charch of Rome commences in earnest her efforts to Romanize the colored population of the South, where can she better look for emissaries to send there than to the numerous and well-endowed institutions of the Province of Quebec, which have already chiefly supplied other parts of the United States with male and female ecclesiastics? The position of the Church of Rome in Canada, is, therefore, to the people of the United States, especially to the followers of Christ, not one o indifference, but of immediate and solemn interest ; and not only should they consider what is hest to de done to evangelize the French Canadian Romanists within their own bounds, but as to the duty of lending a helping hand te those in Canada who are con-- tending with the gigantic power of Rome, and seeking to bring her followers to Christ.

Thanks are also due for the generous aid afforded Mr. Muraire on the Continent. Christian friends there will read with interest of the new field presented to our missionaries by the coming of so many French speaking immigrants, among whom our missionaries labor with much acceptance. This bond of sympathy will doubtless induce brethren there to take a still deeper interest in mission work among the French Canadians, descendants from a common ancestry.

## SUPPORT §F COI.PORIELKS.

The Committee acknowledge with gratitude, continued contributione for the support of three Colporteurs from the following donors: George D. Fergusson, Fergus; A Friend of Missions in Ontario ; and from Messrs. Clerk, Anderson and Court for the support of Mr. Guieu.

Churches, Sabbath Schools, and Christian friends are invited to aid in this way. The cost of supporting a colporteur is from $\$ 40$ to $\$ 50$ per month, according to location and travelling expenses.

## SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Committee render their thanks to I. Cockshutt, Esq., for his continued grant of $\$ 400$ for the support of ten pupils at Pointe aux Trembles, and also to the various Sabbath Schools and friends contributing for scholarships Reports of the pupils allocated, will be sent quarterly during the session to their supporters." The Committee would earnestly press upon Sabbath Schools and friends of Christian education, an object so important as the rescue from Romanism of the French Canadian youth. The annual cost of each scholar is about $\$ 40$, but lesser con. tributions will be thankfully received.

Any information desired regarding the scholarships will be furnished $b$. the Rev. G. M. DesIslets, at Pointe aux Trembles.

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## AUSILIARIES AND COMMITIEFS.

The Committee take this opportunity to acknowledge their obligation to the Montreal Ladies' Auxiliary for the great assistance rendered the

Society. The Ladies continue to exercise a supervisionover the Girls' school at Pointe-aux-Trembles, adding murch to its efficiency and comfort: They held their Annual Meeting on the 5th of the present month in Knox Church. A report of their work will be published and circulated.

They have contributed to the Society's funds during the year• $\$ 840.33$
The Committee tender also cordial thanks to the Auxiliary Committees which have rendered valuable aid by taking up contributions. Friends of the cause are invited to form additional Auxiliaries, especially in localities where it is difficult for the agent to visit regularly. The form of a Constitution will be forwarded on application to our Secretary. The following is a list of Auxiliaries:-

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It is the sorrowful duty of the Committee to record the death of the Rev. J. T. Byrne, who, for twelve years, acted as General Agent of this Society in Canada and the United States. Mr. Byrne was deservedly held in high esteem for his uprightness, Christian devotedness and untiring zeal in the work of our Lorefs Kingdom. The services he rendered this Society and the Church of Christ generally, demand our most grateful acknowledgment.

Our Agents are not simply collectors of money, but ministers of the Gos pel, holding forth the great truths of our common Protestant faith, and seeking to warn against the errors and encroachments of the Church of Rome, and the duty of Protestants in resisting them. The Committee offer earnest prayer that the Head of the Church will send forth some one suitably qualified for this important work.

The Rev. 'T. Stevenson, British Agent, reports favourably on the whole of his past year's labours. The depressed state of trade; the greater interest taken in Continental Missions; ignorance of the extent and character, as well as claims, of the work among the million Romanis of Canada; and false impression as to the number and wealth of the supporters of the cause, have hindered his collections. The Committee request for Mr. Stevenson the continued co-operation and sympathy of the friends of the Society in Britain, and earnestly invite the conscientious consideration of British Christians to the following remarks from the paper on French Canadian Missions, already quoted from :-

The duty which the conquest imposed, when, in the Providence of God, Canada was transferred from Popish France to Protestant Britain, to evangelize its inhabitants, it has been seen was for seventy years almost wholly neglected by her Churches and people. Now that the task has been made so much harder by the immense': increased population, and wealth and power of the Church of Rome, it would be unjust to throw the whole responsibility of the work of evangelization upon the Protestants of the Dominion, struggling with limited means and numbers, against a hierarchy better organized and more influential than in any other country, and for fear of which worldly and timeserving Protestants withhold their countenance fromi evangelistic efforts among their Roman Catholic fellow-citizens.

## SUMMARY.

The number of missionaries permanently employed has been twenty, of whom seven are ordained ministers, besides six teachers. This does not include the wives of the missionaries, who assist more or less in the work, without receiving a separate salary, or being directly responsible to the Committee.

The number of pupils attending the Institute and Schools during the year has been 232. Looking at the blessed results that have spread.over the country from the Institutions at Pointe aux Trembles, and seeing that these are the most efficient means of promoting the work of colportage amongst the people, by preparing the way for the colporteur ; it must be a matter of deep regret to every friend of the cause, that, for want of resources, more pupils cannot be admitted. The day is past when French Canadians are unwilling to send their children to the Institute. No solicitation is now needed to obtain pupils. The privilege of admis-
 made and conditions imposed. Why shonla mus who are ansious for instruction be turned awse? At the instimen, one homdred and twenty applictions have been refusel darins the present sesion. Leet this forced denial of the Bread of Life lay on the cons ience of ever Evangelical Christian who hears of the fart. Lest him ask himelf if he has done all he could to assist a cause which ourht to entist both religious and patriotic symenties, and let him rally to the suphort of the Mission, become more interested himself in its operations and end eavour to secure the co-operations of others.
The Committee, in bringing to a conclusion this Report, would acknowledge with devout thanks to the heid of the Church, the many encouragements it presents. It shows that a deep spirit of encuiry after the Word of God exits in the French Canalim mind, which neither the authority nor misrepresentations of the pricsthood can restrain. The journals of the Colporteurs siow that the pricsts are slowly losing the hearts of the people, and the blind confilence of their simple-minded followers in them shaken. The French Candians are learning to think for themselves; they begin to appreciate the benctis of education, and impart them to their children, and are seekins that general enlightemment which has ever been fatal to the despotism of Kom in Catholicisin.

All these things are tokens of the Lords farour resting on our efforts; they stimulate us to increased sacrifice and exertion; they are gracious answers to our intercessions, and are, we trust, the earnest of richer blessings. With faith and hope let us labor on. The work may be arduous, formidable difficulties may be mat with, persecutions may be endured; but these things should not move us; confident that the Lord is onour side, let us persevere. It is our part to, contend for the faith once delivered to the Saints. We may not be privileged to see the victory but we know that it will come. Let the friendi of the Saviour pray more importunately that God, by His Holy Spirit, would enlighten the minds of the French Canadian Roman Catholics, and lead them to Jesus Christ the only mediator between God and man ; pray that He may bless the missionaries, whether eqgaged in preaching the (rospel, training the young, or soing from house to house with the Word of God-then the work will be crowned with still more signal success.

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## -APPENDIX.

## WEEKLY CONCERT OF PR.IYER.

'Ihe Committee for the encouragement of the Missionaries in their arduous labors and for obtaining a larger measure of the Divine blessing on the Mission invite its friends to engage in a concert of prayer, to be held on a portion of every Sabbath morning, beginning about nine o'clock. Making special supplication for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Missionaries and Mission Schools; for a greater blessing upon and larger circulation of the Holy Scriptures and religious literature ; for increased missionary spirit and zeal among the converts; for increased pecuniary success to attend the Society's Agents, and that the hearts of God's people be opened to give liberally of their means; for greater wisdom zeal, and faith to be accorded to the Committee; and for greater union and co-operation among all 1 :'oring for the evangelization of the French Canadians, so that they may be delivered from the darknes, and superstition of Rome and be converted to the Lord Jesus Christ. The Committee would also request prayer to be offered for the objects at other times, in the closet, at family devotions, in the prayer meeting, and at public worship.

## EXTRACTS FROM THE CONSTITUTION

Of THE

## Freñch Concadian Missionary Society.

II. The operations of this Society shall embrace-the employment of ministers, teachers, book-vendors and scripture readers (whose native language is French, if possible), -the establishment and .support of schools and places of worship,- and the distribution of the Holy Scriprures, and such publications as may be requisite in accomplishing the nbject of the Society.
III. Vo person shall be admitted or continued a Minister, Teacher. Agent, Trustee or Office-bearer, under any name in connection with this Society, whose religious sentiments are not decidedly in accordance with the great evangelical doctrines of the Protestant Faith namely, the fallen and totally depraved condition of human nature; the supreme divinity of our Lord lesus Christ ; the sacrificial character and design of the Saviours death : the Deity, the personality and saving influence of the Holy Spirit; justification by faith alone through the atoning merits and all-prevailing intercession of the Son of God ; the necessity of holiness of heart and life as produced and maintained by the indwelling Spirit of God, and the endless duration of future rewards and punishments. The above summary of doctrine shalf equally apply to all Books and Tracts distributed by the Agents of this Society.
IV. This socicty shall maintain an entire absence of a sectarian spirit in the choice of its agents the application of its funds, and the management of its concerns. In the selection of its agents there shall be alone consulted their religious and intellectual fitness for promoting the grand object in view, namely; the bringing of souls into the Kingdom of fod, and building them on the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets. lesuc Christ himself being the chief corner stone.

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

I gicic and bequeath to the Treasurer for the time being of. the French Canadian Missionary Society, instituted at Montreal, the sum of
out of my personal estate, without any sharge ordacluction whatever, and I direct that the receipt for the said sum of the 7 rcasurer for the time being of the said Frcnch Canadian Missionary Society shall constitute and be sufficient discharge therefor.


[^0]:    "As I returned to the Institute last October I can only speak of the labor of four months. By the assistance of Mr Bourgoin and Mr. Watier, we have been able to eniforce good discipline, during the hours of study and recitation. One of the older pupils directs the labor of the boys in their work outside andin the Institute.
    Miss Aurelie Morin, a former pupil, who has had charge of the children's clothes,

[^1]:    "A communic ${ }^{-1}$ tion having been'read from sevicil of the Ministers representing the * Synod des Eglises Evageliques, stating that the: had revised the Constitution and requesting that the Committee would grant the Syaod a yearly sum for the support of the Pastors and the work, to be disbursed by a Treasurer appointed by the Synod. After giving the subject due deliberation, having also discussed it at former meetings itwas unanimously resolved; that the Committee while not called upon to express any opinion upon the Constitution of the Synod, do in view of the good of the work, and

