

GRANDE LIGNE.

The time has arrived once more for us missionaries to come forward and give our account, 1st of the way we have spent our days, 2nd, of the results obtained.

In connection with the work of this station we have to report that the pastor has preached regularly twice every Sunday and sometimes taken charge of a Sunday school class.

There is progress in financial matters. Besides meeting our usual obligations we have renewed for three years our insurance policy on the Church building and we have some improvements and repairs done to that building. The Ladies' Aid Society last year raised the sum of \$55.00; this year they have presented us with the sum of \$117.00. There is also a slight increase in the subscriptions, and that notwithstanding a "hard year."

The spiritual tone of the Church has improved. Greater interest seems to be taken in Church matters; each one feeling to a certain degree at least that the business of the Church is his business, and while this exists there is less party-spirit than before, but a desire to avoid hurting a brother's feelings without necessity. We record also with pleasure a larger attendance of adults at Sunday school. Many of those who were wont to slip out as soon as the benediction is pronounced remained to study the Scriptures and by their questions showed a spirit of inquiry.

Last but not least we register an increase in membership. Nineteen persons, most of them pupils of the Institute, have professed their faith by baptism since our last report. These remain united with us until they find an opportunity of joining a church of the same faith where they may happen to live. Two of the pupils, however, are likely to remain here with their families. One is a young man whose father has been for a long time a respectable member of the congregation, but who decided last year to follow his Lord more closely and was baptized on the same day as his son. The mother is still a Roman Catholic and naturally opposed to such an act, and yet when the son politely asked her permission to be baptized, said: "Do as you think best." The other of the two is an amiable young girl whose father was for a long time very indifferent as to religious matters, though an honest man, and whose mother was a staunch Roman Catholic. A year