

most visible manner in preserving us all in good health. Thanks to the regularity of the occupations, time passes most quickly. We are now rapidly approaching the examinations; for that reason, our pupils are more attentive than ever to their studies.

We have admitted this quarter, three new pupils; one of them is a Roman Catholic from Caughnawaga. The two others come from the neighborhood, who previous to entering here used to go to the Friars' school according to the wishes of their mothers who are Roman Catholic. So, it may be seen that our mission is exercising a beneficial influence on its direct neighborhood. I have reason to believe that this change for the better is due in a certain measure to the effect produced by the social gatherings we have held this winter, in which recitations, dialogues, songs, &c., were rendered by our pupils to the delight of an audience in which were to be found many Roman Catholics.

You will be pleased to hear that many of our pupils are preparing themselves in order to be admitted to the Holy rite of Confirmation. May God bless these dear young men in the new path they want to enter! Two of them wanting to do some work in the "vineyard of the Lord" have employed their leisure time on Saturdays to make missionary visits to Roman Catholics in the village. I am happy to say, that so far, they have been well received; they succeeded in inducing many Roman Catholics to take copies of the Gospels as well as tracts.

*July.*—It is with a deep sense of gratitude to the Almighty One for His having so visibly protected us, that I forward this report of the last scholastic quarter of the year. The final examinations took place on the 10th and 11th April last. The reason which induced us to recommend this early date to the Committee, was that, as the great majority of our scholars were young men whose parents are engaged in the pursuit of farming, it would have been found most difficult to retain many of them until the end of the Session, as they would have been needed at home, in order to help their parents in the busy season of sowing. These examinations did not hasten the close of the schools which took place on the 20th May last.

On the 10th April, the examinations took place at the Boys School, in presence of the Rev. Dr. Schulte, who acted as examiner, by request of the Committee, and also of a great many friends from the neighborhood, among which were to be noticed many Roman Catholics. For want of time, all the branches taught in the school could not be examined; these taken, were: Arithmetic, Algebra and Geometry, Physical and Political Geography with the use of terrestrial globes, Ancient and Modern History, Latin and Greek. Specimens of writing and map drawing were also submitted to the examiner. The boys answered in a remarkable manner to all the questions set to them on the above mentioned branches, especially in