

HOME MISSION WORK.

A REPORT OF THE WORK DONE BY THE STUDENTS' MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

It is twenty-eight years this fall, since the Students' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian College, Montreal, was first organized. The object of this Society is to foster a missionary spirit among the students, and to promote missionary work in the world at large. Our college recognizes the importance of missionary work in both the foreign and the home fields. Self-centration is death, altruism is life.

For a number of years the Society sent missionaries to labor in the English and French districts of Canada, but afterwards concentrated its energies in the establishment of a French Mission School in St. Jean Baptiste ward of this city. Mr. G. Charles, who is now doing good work among the French in Pennsylvania, carried on this work most successfully, and in March, 1894, the mission was handed over to the care of the Presbytery of Montreal.

On the following summer we entered upon more extended labors, and appointed five students to the home mission fields, and two French students to labor among their fellow countrymen. Last summer eight students went out to work in the home mission districts, and two French students carried the gospel to the French.

In this issue of the "Journal," we give a report of the work done by these students.

Last spring the Sarnia Presbytery assigned Sombra and Duthill to our care. To this field we sent Mr. Douglas, who did his work with great credit to himself, and honor to our Society. Sombra village is beautifully situated on the crystal St. Clair, about twenty miles from the town of Sarnia. This splendid river bears upon its bosom the traffic of the lakes. In