

have in store for us, useless regrets and sad repinings can neither retrieve the past nor place success within our reach in the future. Let us then take up our life work with a resolute purpose, a hopeful spirit, an honest endeavour and a perseverance that already anticipates success. The failures of the past should not crush us, neither should its triumphs unduly elate us. With our zeal guided by knowledge, our hopes tempered by experience, and possessing that faith which works by love, the future need not alarm us, and the present will be devoted to loving toil in the Master's cause. Profiting by all the rich experience of the past, we should make fewer mistakes, our work should be better done, our labors for good ought to be more abundant, and our lives should more truly testify for Christ during this year, than in any former period of our existence. Relying alone upon Him who is the source of all our strength, we may manfully go forward and cheerfully spend and be spent in His work and for His glory.

#### OUR FRENCH MISSION SCHOOL.

ONE of the most effective agencies employed in the evangelization of French Roman Catholics is the work of the twenty-eight mission schools which the Board has been enabled to establish in various parts of the country. In these schools during the year ending May 1st, 1887, under the enlightening influence of gospel teaching, were 277 children of Roman Catholic parents; and their presence amid such surroundings was not without results. For in one school during that term, *twelve* pupils renounced Romanism, and publicly professed their faith in Christ as the only mediator between God and man.

The students of this College have felt that French Romanism is the special object against which their missionary zeal at present should be directed. We need offer no apology for this choice. They have further felt that, in view of such facts as the above, the most powerful engine they could bring to play upon that stronghold of error would be another mission school. Accordingly, after mature deliberation our Students' Missionary Society committed itself to the task of equipping such an institution in the neighbourhood of this City—the work of erection to be proceeded with as soon as funds sufficient have been collected. A committee composed of ministers, business-men, and students, was appointed to oversee and manage the work. It is estimated that the cost of a suitable building and the running expenses of the first year will amount to about three thousand dollars. The greater part of this sum, the supporters of French Evangelization and stewards of God's wealth throughout the country are to be asked to contribute. But unless there is some definite and practical movement on the part of the students to evince their own interest in the matter, it can hardly be expected that the outside world