

The Missionaries, generally speaking, have a wide range of country over which to extend their ministrations. During ten years my own charge embraced a district covering twelve of the old French Parishes, in which were five small English communities, at considerable distances from each other; it must be at once apparent that it is impossible for a Missionary to do what is necessary to supply the religious wants of persons so situated. These can be met only by the establishment of schools, which, being local, constant, and direct in their operations, supplement the general efforts of the Missionary, and bring to bear on the young, and through them on the parents,—a power for good which is so frequently attended with the most blessed results.

For these reasons, after the Church Society, which, of course, should hold the first place in our regards, I have long looked on the Colonial, Church and School Society as deserving the hearty support of all who love our Zion, and care for the scattered ones of the fold—who desire to stay the progress of error, and build up amongst us the Church of the Redeemer.

There are two schools, under the auspices of the Society, in the district with which I have connection, that at one of my former stations is now looked after by the Rev. Mr.—; who is labouring faithfully in the country at the rear of this.

The school here, I am thankful to say, was never in a better condition; the teacher is Mr.—, I believe a sincere follower of the Saviour and desires to promote his cause in any way he can.

He is a very efficient instructor of youth, and has brought to bear on his work the results of the training he received at the Normal School.

The average attendance, during the last session, was thirty, of whom twelve were Roman Catholics; I have good hope that another school will be opened in a very interesting and promising locality, (D. V.) next spring.

May God prosper the Society in its good work everywhere, and put it into the hearts of many to afford it that increased support which it needs, if it would proceed successfully in the high and holy mission which the Great Head of the Church has entrusted to it.

From a Schoolmaster who has been many years in the employment of the Society:

JANUARY, 1866.—I beg leave to send you a few remarks concerning the Society's school at—, which I hope you will find satisfactory. About 112 scholars have passed through the school, all of whom can read, write, and cast accounts. There are at present 39 children on the books, nearly all under 12 years of age; the greater number of them can spell well, read and write passably, and several learn compound arithmetic, a few study geography and history, and some have made considerable progress in grammar.

The average attendance, this year, will be small, as nearly all the scholars reside at a distance from the school, being scattered over the 7th, 8th, and 9th, ranges of this Township. The number who are of school age has also decreased considerably within the last year. The average will be about 16.

I desire also to state, that without the aid which we receive from your Society the Trustees would be obliged to close the school, as they would not have the means to pay the teacher. Since the year 1860, our share