

LITTLE LAMB,

Little lamb, who made thee?
 Dost thou know who made thee?
 Gave thee life and made thee feed
 By the stream and o'er the mead?
 Gave thee clothing of delight—
 Softest clothing, woolly, bright?
 Gave thee such a tender voice,
 Making all the vales rejoice?
 Little lamb, who made thee?
 Dost thou know who made thee?

Little lamb, I'll tell thee;
 Little lamb, I'll tell thee:
 He is called by thy name,
 For He calls Himself a lamb.
 He is meek and He is mild;
 He became a little child;
 I a child, and thou a lamb,
 We are called by His name.
 Little lamb, God bless thee!
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BLAKE.

FIELD STUDY FOR JULY.

Our French Work

Beautiful for situation is the French Institute, Westmount, Montreal, and there good work is being done. We are apt to think that in our own land there is no need for missionary effort, but we shall realize our mistake when we take into consideration the darkness and superstition which prevail in the Province of Quebec. Tennyson says:—

"A lie that is all a lie may be met and fought with outright.
 But a lie which is half a truth is a harder matter to fight."

We think this applies to the religion of Quebec. It is better than the religion of pagan countries, because there is some knowledge of Christ and some belief in Him, but so crusted over is it with superstition and error that it counts for little. And it never will amount to much while "The Bible, God's great missionary," is withheld from the common people. The chains of priestly tyranny are woven too tightly to be easily broken, but in spite of this many catholics have availed themselves of the more liberal education to be had in our French Institute, planted there with the idea of doing missionary work among the young people, bringing light and knowledge through the study of God's Word. This Institute is held jointly by the General Society and the W. M. S. Last year there were 132 applications for admission, 55 of this number from R. C. families. All could not be accommodated at once. Some of the most promising pupils had to leave on account of sickness in their homes. The standard of education lately raised in the Province by the Council of Public Instruction has greatly increased the work of the Institute, making normal examinations more difficult and compulsory for teachers. One of the girls who secured a diploma is now assistant in the East End school, and others have found positions in the country. Not many girls are able to prepare for teachers, nearly all being obliged to take up housework or sewing, an

experience which often proves equally valuable. Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's days are made bright for the pupils, many of whom find for the first time what these days really mean. In the Sunday-school missionary boxes have been introduced and an interest created. An association for the re-union of old and new pupils has been formed, from which much is hoped. There is discouragement in this work, arising from priestly opposition, but there is encouragement too. At the last Sunday service of the year more than half of the pupils partook of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, many of them expressing a determination to follow Him through good and evil report. Mrs. R. M. Ross is the efficient matron, Miss Masten is a faithful teacher, and another young lady is about entering on her duties there.

The day school at East End, Montreal, has been very successful; 34 boys and 32 girls registered there, of whom 28 were Roman Catholics. Miss Matthien and an assistant are the teachers.

In the West End school 131 pupils were enrolled, 73 French, of whom 54 were Roman Catholics. All who afterward entered the public school were promoted to a higher grade, showing that good work has been done in these schools. Miss Jackson is teacher here.

Two smaller schools have been established at St. Theodore and St. Levitte. Miss LePage, teacher in the former, and Miss Petit, a former student, at the Institute, in the latter.

Beside school work district visiting is carried on by Miss Matthien, the Word of God is read in homes and invitations given to church and school. Tracts and portions of Scripture are distributed, but fear or bigotry prevent some from receiving them. Temperance work is also being done.

QUESTIONS FOR JULY.

What is one reason for doing Missionary work in Quebec?
 In what is the religion of Quebec different from that of the heathen countries, and why does it count for little more? What is withheld?

What is the object of the French Institute? Who have availed themselves of it, among others?

What success did it have last year? What has increased its work?

What is said of the girls? Of Missionary boxes, etc.

What is the cause of discouragement in this work?

Will you tell what encouragement they have had?

Who are our workers there? What of the East End School.

What of the West End School? What sign of good work.

Are there other schools? What other work is done in Montreal?

Suggested Programme for July.

Hymn. Selected by Leader or President.

Short Scripture reading in Concert.

Lord's Prayer, all together.

Solo or Recitation.

Roll call.

Business—Reports, etc.

One verse of some bright hymn.

Field Study with maps and questions.

Sentence prayers for lights to lighten the darkness of our land

One parting verse of a hymn—Benediction.