

olic families. Several of these profess to have become Protestants during the winter, but past experience warns us not to be too sanguine of their sincerity until they have been subjected to the test of home-influence. Some are very greatly changed since coming to us, and show clearly by their daily lives how much they are in earnest. One of them, a young man from below Quebec, came, feeling dissatisfied with his own Church, and yet very resentful of criticism in the lectures on controversial points. He was, however, very soon convinced of the errors of the Church of Rome; made a public confession of his faith in Christ alone, and has since been of the greatest assistance in every department of our work, especially relieving Madame Dalpé by superintending the home-work among the boys.

Our Roman Catholic students are required to attend all the Sunday and week-night services, and though some remain outwardly unimpressed, we feel that the seed sown cannot be lost.

We are specially thankful for the remarkably good health of the pupils, which we attribute partly to the unusual amount of outdoor exercise taken, owing to the attraction of a little skating-rink in our own grounds.

A new feature in our domestic department this session has been cooking lessons, which the Committee on Domestic Management requested us to arrange for the girls. These lessons are given by our own cook, and are planned, as far as possible, not to interfere with the regular school work.

In the boys' wing there is a very marked improvement as to tidiness and general order, they having had with them, for the first time, a lady—Madame Dalpé—who, with her husband, came to us in October, and who, owing to their intimate knowledge of the French mission work and long experience in teaching, have proved invaluable helpers.

A very happy spirit of unity and good-fellowship pervades the entire school. The greater part of the students are Christians, and of the others many are "almost persuaded." We would like to ask that these be remembered during the month of special prayer for our work, as we are very anxious that none should leave us undecided.

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