

GRANDE-LIGNE MISSION.

ENLARGEMENT.

Those who attended the Baptist Convention held in Montreal two years ago will not have forgotten the trip to Grande Ligne, when 300 delegates, marshalled by Mr. Richards, visited the historic scenes of Mdme. Feller's life and labor. Their first glance at the buildings revealed the fact of their incompleteness —one wing was lacking. It is lacking still! And the purpose of this article is to give some reasons why the churches should take into immediate consideration the desirability of enlargement.

The School at Grande Ligne is our chief Evangelical Agency in Quebec. There the gospel is preached, and taught, and exemplified amidst surroundings so sympathetic and spiritual that conversions are constantly occurring, and Romanists brought into the light of a purer faith. The reader will recall that last winter twenty-seven pupils were baptized on profession of their faith. Preachers and Evangelists are trained there. We depend upon this school for all we hope for in the way of evangelization and denominational progress in the Province. Our Church would be wise to let nothing hinder the full work, quantity and quality, which this school may be able to accomplish. In one sense, however, it has now reached its limit and enlargement is made necessary because :

1. Each year from twenty-five to seventy-five applications have to be refused from lack of accommodation. All these pupils, year by year, ought to be under the influence of our work. It seems too bad that when so many difficulties are in the way of reaching the people, when the churches and Missionaries and Society strive so hard to get a willing ear for their message, so many fresh young lives seeking our ministry should be turned away from what we are organized to give. But our School is filled to the doors, and many of those who desire so earnestly to come to us have to be refused.

2. A place must be found in our work somewhere for the admission of children of the age of 10 to 13. This is the impressionable period of