

group of buildings comprise an emigrant shed, quarters for the emigration agent and his assistants, an hospital and the necessary outbuildings. The emigration shed consists of four large rooms 48x27 feet and a cook house fitted to suit the wants of a large number. Over four hundred individuals can be thus accommodated at one time. Since July, 1882, two hundred and thirty-nine persons have availed themselves of these quarters. Of these nineteen were from Scotland, one hundred and nineteen from England, forty from Ireland, thirty-four from the Eastern Provinces of Canada, twenty-two from Germany, four from Austria, and one from the United States. Mr. Thomas Bennett is the able and attentive Government emigration agent and M. Julius Aberhard his interpreter.

BRANDON CHURCHES.

THE ENGLISH CHURCH OF ST. MATTHEW.

An elegant structure of early gothic design, is situated near the south-east corner of Eleventh street and Princess avenue. The position is a very central and commanding one, and the high gables and bell turret of the pretty little church can be seen rearing itself conspicuously above its more rectangular surroundings from every part of the City. The cost of the site and building amounts to about \$7,000, E. McCoskrie & Co. being the architects. The interior of the building is made attractive by the roof, choir stalls and ceiling being of stained pine, the east window of ornamental glass representing a scene in the "Crucifixion," and the reredos composed of five lancet recesses of carved wood work filled in with tapestry. The reredos is the gift of the first organizer of the congregation, L. M. Fortier, Esq. The church was consecrated on the first of October, 1882, by the Lord Bishop of Rupert's Land, and since that time the congregation has steadily increased. A large proportion of the sittings are free and unappropriated. The Rev. T. Boydell is the respected rector. He is assisted in the services by a mixed choir of ladies and gentlemen, and Mr. Drake is the organist. Mr. Boydell is also the Rural Dean of the district. In the lay work of the parish the rector is assisted by an association of ladies and gentlemen called the St. Matthew's Guild. A Sunday School and Bible Class is conducted by the rector and a staff of teachers, every Sunday afternoon. T. Mayne Daly, jun., Esq., and L. M. Fortier, Esq., are the churchwardens.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The dawn of this denomination dates from the advent of Brandon's first settlers. It needs but a glance at the roll of names contained in this humble publication to assure the reader that the Presbyterian body in Brandon is both strong and numerous, and such is the case. It is one of the largest congregations in the city, and includes in the roll of its members many of the most influential men of Brandon. The Presbyterian place of worship is a handsome edifice situated on Eighth street. Its interior is lofty and spacious, and the acoustic properties of the room nearly perfect, and the hearty congregational singing in this crowded place of assembly on a Sabbath evening is a scene most delightful to join in and not easily forgotten. The Sabbath School and Bible Class of this body are ably conducted and well attended. The Rev. John Ferries has been the pastor of this flock since Brandon began "to be." Mr. William Barr is the able secretary of the Church and its Associations.

THE METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.

The prosperity of this Church is one of the telling features in the growth of the City. The organization began with Brandon, and was the first to rear a place of worship to supply the spiritual wants of the pioneers. During the winter of 1881-1882 this denomination extended the hand

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