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Schools. We cannot in the present transition state of the country maintain our Ladies' School without outside help. We have a fine building with a valuable piece of land—but we have a debt of £1,000. We need at least £300 yearly.

I only desire farther to point out what is so peculiar a feature in our case.

Most Colonies have grown so gradually that by the time they have reached any size there has been some City and portion of country able to assist. Here there has sprung up within, I may say, two years an enormous area covered with a sparse population while every Parish and Settlement has only temporary buildings. Winnipeg lies in 4 Parishes. Every one of these has only what I may call a temporary Church. There is not a single Parish that is not burdened with its own cares.

Our farmers and men of business are all beginning life, struggling to find the capital they need, having more than they can manage as a rule at present in their own private buildings, common schools, roads, and other necessities.

But there is a country rising up here that will repay any effort—any aid.

I write this letter with the conviction that there are many members of the Church of England, who, if they only realized our position, could and would give us what would both fit us for the work of to-day, and cheer up many a future emigrant to our land.

I am,

My Lord Archbishop,

Your Grace's most obedient servant,

R. RUPERT'S LAND,

Metropolitan.

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