

religious tracts have been published in the Maliseet language ; tracts, catechisms and hymns have also been prepared in the Micmac language, and a dictionary of Micmac and English, containing nearly thirty thousand words, is about completed.

Dr. Rand says concerning his work: " Mark, also, the change that has taken place in the condition of the tribe as respects *civilization* since we commenced our labors, despite all kinds and sorts of obstacles that have been placed in their way and in ours. Mark, for instance, the change in their *dress* and their domestic habits—in their culture generally. Forty years ago, you could not tell Indian men and women, as far as you could see them, by their dress. A few old women still wear the old-fashioned head and *shoulder* gear : but these cases, so far as my own observations go, are few and far between.

" And at the present you will meet with no intelligent man who will contend stoutly that an Indian ' can never be persuaded to live in a house,' or that ' Indians are like partridges, that no skill can tame,' all which nonsense, and much more of the same stamp, I used to have to meet. The rare thing *now* is to see a wigwam.

" More than this, I have found everywhere a determination to obtain learning, to learn the English language, to send the children to the English schools and to adopt all the habits of civilization. To be able to read and write, well and fluently, is what but few comparatively of their white neighbors have attained