

SALTCOATS CROFTER SCHOOLS.

Last summer an Ottawa gentleman visited the Crofters and sent up a sum of money, which with the Government grant, has supported the "Eden" school and will give help to the new "Tupper" school when it is once agoing. The teacher writes: "I opened the new Eden school on the 12th of May. The house is 24 ft. long, 18 ft. wide and 10 ft. in height. The lumber, windows, &c., cost \$109, and I helped them myself to get the tar paper with which the roof is covered. Mr. Hewgill, the inspector, visited the school last Wednesday. Eighteen out of twenty-two on the register were in attendance. Follows a copy of his report: "I am much pleased with the progress made. Considering the difficulties under which the teacher labors, he has done surprising work. I trust those who have assisted the school so far will be able to see their way clear to the increased expenditure of better school appliances and new text books, as without it the progress of the school will be hampered and the comfort of the children lost sight of. Very satisfactory results are apparent."

"The other district—Tupper—is quite disappointed. They fitted up one of the abandoned Crofter houses some time ago thinking a teacher would be sent."

We are glad to state that money has been sent forward for school supplies; and an offer made to a second teacher for the Tupper school.

THEOLOGY IN MANITOBA COLLEGE.

The splendid showing of Manitoba College at the Assembly, not only in its extensive arts work, but in having this year turned out ten graduates in theology, who are specially acceptable and useful men, has given us fresh courage in the West. It was fitting that a year showing such great results should be marked by the appointment of Rev. A. B. Baird, as another professor in Theology. Mr. Baird has hitherto been in charge of Augustine church, and this church helped liberally in his support. Now the college will have to assume the entire salary. A meeting of the representatives of the Presbyteries of the synod was held at Kingston during the meeting of the General Assembly. At this meeting it was thought that in addition to the \$3,000 for which the Synod is at present held responsible another \$500 might be assumed without unduly pressing the Synod. With this understanding the circulars will be issued to all the ministers and missionaries of the Synod. The matter will come up, however, at the next meeting of the Synod, which fortunately meets in November at Brandon. While speaking specially on the finances of this department, we may be allowed to congratulate the new professor of Theology on his appointment and the church that she has secured so faithful a servant.