

HISTORY OF TEULON HOSPITAL.

It was in the fall of 1902 that the writer, who had offered himself for work among the foreigners in the Canadian West, was sent to the Teulon district. Here was a large and growing colony of Ruthenians closely adjoining an old established Canadian settlement, and it was thought at first that possibly some of the new comers might be attracted to an English service among their Canadian neighbors. This plan did not prove very successful. Some of the Ruthenians were strongly Catholic in sentiment, and, therefore, unfriendly to a Protestant Mission. Some were atheistic socialists and equally hostile from another standpoint. A few, influenced by movements among the Ruthenians in the United States, were tending towards independence and the Protestant point of view, but then between them and the Missionary there was the barrier of language, and an English service was of little use to them. It soon became apparent that the easiest line of approach was through medical assistance in case of sickness, and for the next year the Missionary boarded