

from the school because we refused to agree to the demands of their parents. But, of course, we need not wonder at that for the same kind of thing is often noticed among white people.

We have much, however, to be thankful for ; the attendance at services this winter has been very good and much interest has been shown. The number of children in school is greater than ever before since the exodus to Regina. Their health during the present winter has been excellent, much better than last winter. Their progress has also been good this winter. We had an examination lately in all the work of the school—cooking, sewing, etc., school work and all. Some of them did very well and showed that they were able to put into practice what they had learned. We expect the examination, which I intend to conduct periodically, to be quite a stimulus in the regular daily work.

Feb. 16th.—My last mail brought me your note with copy of shipping bill of clothing from Ormstown Auxiliary. We shall likely be able to get their parcel in some day next week. It was very thoughtful of the Ormstown people to send us out a bundle of clothing. How very pleasant it is to see that we are being remembered in all corners.

Thank you for your kind wishes regarding the weather. The fact is that up here the winter could hardly be called severe. It was not nearly so bad as last winter. Our buildings have both been very comfortable. You may not know that we are outside of the blizzard belt, and while the thermometer falls, sometimes down to sixty or seventy below zero, we have but little wind, and these low temperatures are not nearly so terrible as they sound to Ontario ears.

The health of both staff and children has been good. I see that Mr. McKay, of Round Lake, remarks upon the absence of scrofula this winter, and we have had exactly the same experi-