

moccasins, striped faces, and blanketed men, attract little more attention than high-heeled shoes, Parisian bonnets, or the Englishman adjusting his monocular. Quaintest of all vehicles is the Red River cart, in the construction of which not an ounce of iron finds a place,—that metal, as late as 1825, sold for one dollar a pound. It is, as its name signifies, two-wheeled, built wholly of wood, with heavy felloes, spokes and shafts. Necessity devised it, and it has "filled the bill" for eighty-seven years, since it is better adapted to the soft, yielding soil of the prairies than the iron-bound wheel of modern times. A single steer, harnessed and driven as we do a horse, is the motive power. Before the advent of railways, Winnipeggers made pilgrimages in these carts to St. Paul, five hundred miles south, consuming weeks in the journey, taking down furs, and bringing back comforts for their homes. An iron bridge over the Red River leads to an odd little French village, St. Boniface, noted for its cathedral, and because the archiepiscopal residence of Prince Rupert's Land is located here. The cathedral is of cream-colored brick, quite plain, in both exterior and interior finish, and has a chime of three sweet-toned bells. Who wrote the poem entitled "The Silver Chimes of Boniface"? The churchyard is nearly filled with graves, and most of the inscriptions are in French, several of which terminate with R. I. P. The see-house is embowered in trees, and the grounds are lighted up with a profusion of flowers. Archbishop Tache, the present incumbent, is fat and fifty, and arrays himself in a purple cassock, bordered with gold, but otherwise, without ornament. He is always welcomed wherever he carries his genial face. In the extreme northern part of the city is an old English cathedral, founded in the early part of the century. Building and surrounding yards, *loud ensemble*, are a good type of a country church in England.

As early as 1792, *Lord Selkirk*, a nobleman of Scotland, became deeply interested in the condition of the Highland