

THE REGINA SCHOOL.

During the recent session of the Synod in Regina, the board of management of Knox Church kindly provided conveyances to take the members of synod to visit the new school. About twenty availed themselves of the opportunity and spent a very pleasant afternoon. Mr. Hayter Reed, the Indian Commissioner, and the Rev. A. J. McLeod, the principal of the school, did the honors. The building is substantially built of brick on a stone foundation, the heating and ventilation are provided for by the Smead-Dowd system, and there is a well in the basement from which tanks in the attic are filled, so providing for the baths and the fire extinguishing apparatus. Mr. McLeod is assisted by Mrs. McLeod who has kindly consented to act as matron until a suitable permanent appointment can be made, and by Mr. C. D. Mackenzie as assistant principal. Dr. Willoughby, of Regina, has been appointed medical attendant. Sixteen children, eight boys and eight girls, were in attendance at the time of the synodical visit which was about a fortnight after the school was opened for the reception of pupils. These were from Indian Head and from Muscowpetung's, and several other reserves have promised to send in detachments while of course many parents are waiting to hear what the children now in attendance have to say of that school, before they commit themselves to it. Altogether the prospects for a good attendance and for successful missionary and educational work are very hopeful.

After the visitors had inspected the building from cellar to garret they gathered in the school room where Mr. Baird read the parable of the Good Samaritan, Dr. Bryce led in prayer for the blessing of God upon the undertaking, and after a few words from the principal, coffee and cake were served; several very small brown-skinned waiters shyly helping with cream and sugar and cake basket.

AN EPIDEMIC AT THE CROWSTAND.

The Rev. G. A. Laird, B. A., writes on the 18th of April:

Our school has again been visited by a somewhat serious sickness. The children have all been laid up with *la grippe*. Teaching was suspended for several days and the school turned into a hospital. The children have only partially recovered, and great care is necessary as the weather at present is very damp. Several of them suffered severely and one boy is still in a precarious condition. We have also a little girl in an advanced stage of consumption. Her mother died lately and her father sent her here to see if anything could be done for her. There are 60 children in school at present, a great many more than we can properly accommodate. Several were sent in by the agent to be nursed through this sickness which has been prevalent all over the reserves. Of course these will be permanent scholars.