

Cree Indians who have wandered there; a certain proportion are coming here. Thus the opening for work is enlarging. These Indians have no reservation, they live on what refuse they get from the town slaughter house. They will do anything to get money. I am most anxious to get the young girls into the School—some of them before they live a life of sin and shame, others in order to rescue them from the actual life of wickedness they are leading. It is so hard that not only should their means of livelihood be taken away by the coming of the white population, but that they should be degraded and debased as well.

(7) Boarding Schools are the only hope—to take the children when they are quite young, to teach them the truth of the Gospels, educate them in the Church, and bring them up to some trade by which they can afterwards earn their living.

The congregation of Church people here is very small. They are doing their best to place the Church in a satisfactory financial state, and are quite unable to incur any further liabilities. It would not be right for them to do so.

Personally, I cannot leave to ask for assistance; *my only hope lies in answer to this appeal.* I have to trust to the generosity of the English friends of the work for the necessary help which is so much wanted. If it were only in working order I could tell you of the good done to the children. If I were to say anything *now* it would be to tell you of the wickedness they are learning. It is an absolute impossibility to do any good until they are removed from their present surroundings. *Please help me to do this for the Master's sake.*

Mrs. Knight, Eastnor House, Malvern Link, England, will gladly receive contributions. Please state, in sending money, the object: The Indian School, Medicine Hat.

Medicine Hat, April 24, 1896.

W. NICOLLS.

Of the £100 required only £28 has yet been given. The case is *most urgent*, for unless the building can be put in order before the end of September, it will only fall into worse repair during the winter, and the money already spent on it will be wasted.

E. E. K.

THE SALTCOATS COTTAGE HOSPITAL.

It will, I am sure, be very gratifying to our friends to know that since last writing we have made considerable progress. Our fund now stands at 1,400 dols. (£280); we need 600 dols. to complete our fund, and I am sure we shall not be left long without it. The buildings are already under construction, as it is very necessary to make the best of our short summer; I would therefore earnestly ask our friends to help us with the balance so that we may continue the work. I should like to remind our friends that we are badly in need of furnishings; we