

bolton a church was erected a few years ago, and affords the people a comfortable and attractive place of worships. At Brierwood and Ralph-ton the services are still conducted in schoolhouses.

Mr. F. W. Gilmour was sent out by our Student's Missionary Society to carry on the work there during the summer. He had a most favourable report to present of the progress of the work during his sojourn in the field. Success was marked in every department: a larger average attendance, more hearty services, larger Sabbath schools and the communion roll lengthened by the addition of twelve new names. Last winter the field suffered a marked depression because of the lack of services, but we are pleased to be able to say that the good work carried on by Mr. Gilmour will be sustained during this winter by Mr. Robertson, a student from Manitoba College. Mr. Gilmour seems to realize how detrimental it is to have the work suspended for the winter months.

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Another field that should receive marked attention from our Church at present is the one in which Mr. M. McIntosh worked for the summer. Riverside is situated in southern Manitoba about forty miles south-east of Brandon. It is skirted on the north by the beautiful but diminutive Souris river, which, with its high and tree-clad banks, forms a striking feature in a prairie district.

In a settlement where the average farm contains over three hundred acres, it goes without saying that the neighbours are not very near each other. The settlers who come, for the most part, from the Province of Ontario, are proud of the new country which is now their home. The first question asked of a stranger is "How do you like the country"? and the second is like unto it, "From what part of *Ontario* do you come"?

After spending a summer in southern Manitoba, and beholding the changing aspect of its broad acres,—first the dark brown soil, then the waving wheat, then the myriad shocks, then the groups of stooks in 'orderly array', and finally the busy threshing scene, with its suggestion of bursting granaries, one no longer wonders that the people of the Prairie Province are proud of the land of "wind and wheat."

Riverside Field is of wide extent and contains six preaching stations, at three of which service was held each Lord's Day. The attendance at the various stations ranged from thirty to sixty, including adherents of several religious denominations. A Union Sabbath School was carried on at each station and was well attended. The people treated the missionary with great kindness, and set a good example to western fields by supplying him with a horse and buggy for the summer.

There is now on foot a movement to build two Presbyterian Churches, one at each side of the field. If