

nightly, and with it the Stair farm and mines, where a number of men are employed. The average attendance at Dunmore during the summer was 40, of which the greater number are Presbyterians, but denominationalism has not as yet sown its seeds of strife, and people of every belief meet together to unite in worshipping the one God and Father of us all. The population in this place does not exceed 75 men, women, and children.

The next important point is Gleichen, a railway divisional point, beside the Blackfoot Indian Reserve. Very little land has been taken up yet, and colonization seems impeded because of the Indians who have the best soil and situation, in the district allotted them. This was visited monthly, as was also Cochrane, a small settlement 25 miles west of Calgary. About here are a number of ranches, and within a few miles there is a large saw mill and a coal mine. The mill and mine were not in operation last summer.

The remaining places visited were of two kinds, section houses and colonization farms. The former of these, situated at intervals along the road, are for the accommodation of the railway men. During the early part of the season from 15 to 25 men were at each of these places without any opportunity of attending divine service except those given by the writer on week evenings. The same may be said of the colonization farms where about the same number of men are employed.

*The class of people visited.*—These may be roughly divided into two classes, Canadians, and immigrants. A great many have the idea that the people out west are uneducated and uncultured. On the contrary, however, the average Canadian in the North-West Territories is above the average countryman in the east. It is not the slothful, ignorant, unsuccessful man in the east, who has the hardihood to brave the difficulties of a new settler, but rather the energetic, get-along-sort of educated man, who sees there greater rewards for perseverance, and hence we find that in a great many cases the very cream of the typical Canadian is in the North-West.

The other class of people, the immigrants, consists practically of Englishmen, Scotchmen, Norwegians, Swedes, Icelanders and Germans. Most of these make good desirable settlers, particularly the Swedes, who are greatly esteemed as laboring men.

All these seemed anxious for services, and were regular attendants, with the exception of Bavarian Catholics and Episcopalian