

In addition to the original gable roof there are two different constructions of this roof. The apex instead of being in the centre may be placed nearer the front or the back. One construction has the long part of the roof to the back and the small part to the front; in this the back wall is low and the front wall high, this allows for a fairly high window and a low place for the roosts. We have found that as a rule this style of house with the higher front gives better results than where it is turned the other way.

The Monitor Top House.—This is a gable roof with a farther projection at the top, having a little roof of its own. The sides of this roof at the top contain windows to permit sunlight and allow for ventilation. This style is not used as much now as formerly.

The Semi-Monitor Top House.—The Semi-Monitor Top House is a double roofed house, but instead of the two sides going to one point at the top, the south side of the roof goes to the centre a foot or two lower than the north side. This space allows for a window which permits the sunlight to get to the back of the interior.



COTTON FRONT LAYING HOUSES USED AT INDIAN HEAD, SASK.

These houses are 12' x 16' and on the level prairie can be moved with ease by a four horse team.

Cotton Front House.—Of recent years the open or cotton front house has become very popular in places having a fairly moderate climate and is used in localities even where the temperature is extremely cold. It is for the purpose of giving more thorough ventilation. So called cotton front houses may have other material beside cotton on the south side, but more or less of the front is given up to this or similar material. Various plans of the cotton front are given, a number are used in the west, and as far north as Edmonton have proved quite satisfactory. Where there are no windbreaks the cotton front may not prove as satisfactory as where these are provided. Where there is any doubt as to the suitability of this type part of the window or door can be replaced by cotton or a section of the south wall, as seems best. Should the arrangement not be satisfactory, the cotton can be removed, or if it fills the bill, it can remain and if so desired it can be increased.