

PRINCE ALBERT.

Two hundred and forty seven miles northwest of Regina by rail this rising town of 1200 is reached. It was begun in 1866 by Rev. James Nesbit as an Indian mission, but is now the centre of a thriving white settlement. The town may be said to date from 1882, when Rev. James Sieveright, our missionary, introduced a liberal policy and secured the town at the mission. This part of the North Saskatchewan holds out great attractions to immigrants. About it are good land, plenty of timber and fuel, excellent pasture, plenty of hay and abundance of good water, while far to the north of it are said to be large areas of the best farming land. The people claim for their district immunity from all blizzards and storms, exemption from early fall frosts and complete freedom from grasshoppers. This year they reaped a very fine crop, and can ship out, if it is required for seed, a large amount of superior Ladoga wheat. The M. & N. W. Ry. is expected to reach the settlement next season. The Presbyterian, Methodist and Anglican churches have congregations here and the Roman Catholic church is going to erect a cathedral, Prince Albert being the centre of the new diocese. The town has good schools and a Roman Catholic convent. Emmanuel College (Anglican) is only two miles distant. Prince Albert Presbyterian congregation is under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Rochester and through his efforts and those of his accomplished wife the congregation is making gratifying progress. There are about 70 families connected with the church and about the same number of communicants. The old church being found too small, a neat brick structure capable of accommodating 350 people, has been erected this year at a cost of about \$5,000. The congregation met one half of the amount this year, and the balance will be wiped out as speedily as possible. In 1893 the congregation expects to become selfsustaining. Ladies Aid and Missionary Societies, Sabbath School, Bible Class, etc., are all in operation and doing good work.

ON THE SASKATCHEWAN.

In the Prince Albert district are a number of places of promise, but read the Superintendent's sad story about them:

Colleston.—This mission is without any supply this winter, although there are now 30 families connected with it. Mr. G. Gunn, student of Manitoba College, did good work in this field last summer, but during the long winter the fruit of his labors will be largely lost.

Kinistino.—This place, 55 miles south-east of Prince Albert, is supplied this winter for the first time in the twelve years of its existence. The settlement is growing steadily and the Mission promises to become a good congregation in a short time. Mr. Muirhead, of Queen's, did excellent service there last summer.

Saskatoon.—Within five or six miles of this centre are about 50 families, while at Alvena and Duck Lake are other growing settle-