



*A Little Prairie Papoose as snug as a bug in a rug.*

**The Co-operation of State and Church**—Up to the time of Confederation, 1867, the Indians had access to all lands, but when immigration turned westward, the Government found it necessary to keep the good will of the Indians by buying up the titles of their lands, giving them in re-

turn 160 acres for a family of five or more, and an annuity of \$5 to each man, woman and child, with the further promise of Schools for their children, help to become farmers, and food in time of scarcity.

When the Government agreed to look after the physical welfare of the Indians, they also decided that the Churches were best able to help the Indian morally and in the education of his family. Already the Roman Catholic, Anglican and Methodist Churches had established many missions among them, and, in 1866, the Presbyterian Church accepted the responsibility for a mission.

Forty per cent. of the Indians are claimed by the Roman Catholic Church,