

anxious to be "fitting" and establishing ourselves under more favourable conditions.

It is almost two years since the old "Home" was burned. During the period intervening between that time and the present, more has been accomplished than we could have thought possible under the circumstances. Times without number have we tested the truth of the old adage, "Necessity is the mother of invention." For instance, when a medium sized room was required to do service as dining-room and boys' dormitory, we made three tiers of bunks on one side, moved in a couple of tables, and the thing was done. When there were more boys to accommodate, some more tiers were put up on the other side, and they, too, had a place to sleep, whilst by a little "pushing up" at the table a place for eating was also provided.

We have worked under disadvantages, still we are glad to know that our school is in better favour with the Indians than ever before. Numbers are applying for admission, and we anticipate no difficulty in bringing the number up to fifty immediately on opening the Institute.

Concerning our work of late, there is nothing remarkable or startling to relate. For several months we have been moving along in the usual routine, with little to mark one week from another. For the children, five and a half days' work and study, with a little recreation interspersed, Saturday afternoon for play, and Sunday a day of service and Sabbath rest.

It gives us much satisfaction to see in the children real development. The three eldest girls, especially, are growing to be so womanly and helpful. I think they truly appreciate the advantages they are receiving in this place, and believe we shall yet be rewarded in seeing them such women as we would wish them to be. The same spirit to a greater or less degree has a place in the heart of almost every child. We neither expect nor find perfection, yet we find enough that is good to make us rejoice in hope.

The all pervading law of work is a cardinal doctrine with us. We have no place in our economy for idlers. We put before each child the possibility of living an honest and respectable life before all men; but to do this, they must