

ur own funds. (I may say that with the approval of Prof. Hart, we are getting a uniform of dark blue and white for all our children.) If I would suggest anything in regard to the most suitable clothes for another year it would be :

For the Reserves, similar to last year, as much as you can.

For the School, grey cotton, grey flannel, navy blue worsted, and any navy blue cloth or other material, blankets and quilts ; all these will be most gratefully received, and prove a great blessing and assistance to us in our work.

I may say that after a year of very many trials, Christ's cause on these Reserves has prospered, and our Mission under the Divine blessing has been firmly established, and the means has been in the largest measure due to the labors of your Society.

Statement of Mission Work on Cote's and Kese-Koos Reserves, 1888-9.

REV. G. A. LAIRD.—The past year has been a busy one, and I might say marks an era in Mission work, or rather in the work of education on these reserves. The unsatisfactory day school method has given place to a better one, that of the boarding school. Through the liberal provision made by the F. M. C., we have been enabled to complete a substantial boarding and industrial school. The building, which is 26 by 38 and two stories in height, contains nine rooms. It is capable of accommodating some thirty children.

Situated as we are, about seventy miles from railway communication, this entailed no little labor. The lumber, most of which was purchased in Winnipeg, was brought by train to Russell, the terminus of a branch of the M. & N. W. R. R., and was freighted the balance of the way on wagons by the Indians. The greater part of the lime used in plastering was burnt on the mission premises under my supervision. The stone for the foundation and a plentiful supply of sand and gravel were obtained near at hand.

The school was opened for the reception of pupils on the 28th of January, and at once more than the number for whose board the Government has made provision were taken in. We are glad to be able to report that the new system gives promise of much success. There have been twenty-seven pupils regularly in attendance since the opening, besides several day scholars, and