

be able to take in quite a number of children which we might get until the permanent buildings are erected. Our present house is log plastered with mud, and of course has to be renewed every fall. So for the last week and a half I have had an Indian plastering. I have been his assistant, getting the water for him and mixing the mortar, and we have made a good job. I mention this to show you that an Indian can work. He plastered the whole house, roof and walls, all with his hands. He would scorn to use a trowel, and I was surprised to see how quickly he splashed on the mud, effectually filling up every crevice. The water with which it was mixed was icy cold, and yet he kept his hands in it all day, working faithfully and without any grumbling. No murmur escaped his lips. I don't think there are many white men who would have done the same without grumbling a little about cold hands. I may add that with regard to the school, we hope to have the usual number in attendance by the first of November, and we are aiming at least at having thirty in school during the winter.

THE RECOMMENDATION OF COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee desires to make the following recommendation to the Society, to come up for decision at the Annual Meeting in April, respecting the printing of the Annual Reports according to instructions received at the last annual meeting:

"That the Annual Reports of the Board of Management, as prepared by the Home, Foreign and Recording Secretaries and Treasurer, be printed for distribution at the Annual Meeting; and that these officers be prepared to read extracts from their respective reports or make explanations with regard to them; and that the reports of Presbyterian Societies be read in condensed form as usual."

MAP NOTICE.

A *limited* number of maps of Manitoba and the North-West having been secured, the Board will dispose of them as follows: Two to each Presbyterian Society for lending to Auxiliaries and Mission Bands in the Presbytery. Cost (including express charges), \$1 each. An early application urged.