

EDUCATION.

Industrial Training School.—The Industrial Training School at Portage la Prairie gave instruction during the year to 255 boys. Of these, 113 were admitted from July 1st, 1913, to June 30th, 1914, and 108 were released during that time. These lads are those whom their parents have been unable properly to discipline, and an opportunity is given the boys to start work anew under more favourable auspices. Two regularly qualified teachers give instruction in ordinary school subjects, and instructors are provided in blacksmithing, shoemaking, tailoring, baking, horticulture, laundering and farming. The boys are offered every inducement to live a busy, happy life, and a short time spent in the school frequently alters their whole viewpoint on life.

University Education.—The University, situated at Winnipeg, is the oldest university in the west. It was established in 1877, and affiliated to it are seven colleges, three of which were already in existence when the University was founded. These are St. Boniface, the chief Roman Catholic college in the west, dating from the beginning of the nineteenth century; St. John's, the Church of England college, re-organized in 1866; Manitoba College, organized by the Presbyterian Church in 1871; the Medical College, affiliated in 1882; Wesley College, supported by the Methodist Church, affiliated in 1888; the College of Pharmacy, affiliated in 1902 and the Manitoba Law School, affiliated in 1914. The University has an endowment of 150,000 acres of land. The property is being sold in parcels from time to time, and the proceeds are invested in trust. The income, which is largely supplemented by grants from the provincial government, enables the University to provide higher education at moderate cost. Instruction is given in arts, divinity, medicine, law, the various branches of engineering, and also in pharmacy. Extension work is carried on throughout the province, and lecturers from the University give courses in their various subjects. This work has proved very popular in the past, and steps are being taken to enlarge its scope. There are 830 students now in the University taking work in arts and engineering. The medical students have ample opportunities for practical work in the hospitals and laboratories of Winnipeg. The course in medicine extends over five years.

Agricultural Education.—The courses given in agriculture in several of the high schools have already been mentioned, but the institution which has the work of agricultural education chiefly in hand is the Manitoba Agricultural College. This institution, which was opened at Winnipeg in 1906, has been moved to the new buildings on the banks of the Red River. The work of the college falls into three divisions—agriculture proper, home economics and extension work. There are two courses in agriculture—the diploma course, extending over three winters of five months each, and the degree course, extending over five years. The diploma course is designed to meet the requirements of the lad who will in due course work on a farm. To enter, he must be over sixteen years of age, have spent at least two summers on a farm doing practical work, and have a sufficiently good English education to derive benefit from the lectures. Students who have obtained a diploma at the end of the three years' course may proceed to study for the B.S.A. degree. This course is meant for those who will take up the higher