

increase, he is able to buy larger kettles and pans, and thus extend the business.

RELIGIOUS.

Owing to the large number of German settlers, the German Lutheran Society numbers more than any other. They are under the charge of Rev. P. H. Dicke, a devout and christian clergyman, who labors faithfully and conscientiously to advance the interests of the church. The society has a handsome frame church in Bell Plain, and comfortable log churches in Grant, Pella and Hartland, and adjoining towns. The Evangelical church, under charge of that denomination, has good churches in the towns of Grant and Hartland and among their number will be found some of our best German farmers. The Methodist Episcopal church has an organization in Shawano Village, and a comfortable, well built church nearly ready to occupy. The society has no regular preacher at the present time, but the pulpit is supplied by Dr. E. W. Stevens, formerly chaplain in the army, who is now practicing medicine at Shawano Village. The Roman Catholics have a mission church at Keshena, under charge of a Rev. Father of that denomination. They have also a comfortable, cozy little church nearly completed in the village of Shawano. The Presbyterians have a mission church at Red Spring (Stockbridge) in this county, under the charge of Rev. Jeremiah Slingerland, a full blooded Stockbridge Indian, who has received a liberal education, and is respected by all classes for his christian and moral character. He also preaches at Shawano when circumstances permit.

EDUCATIONAL.

There is a system of free schools in every town in the county, that affords an excellent opportunity for educating the children of the emigrant. The common schools are supported, in the main, by the proceeds of the sale of school lands, and also by taxes levied upon the county, town and school district, and are under the supervision of the county superintendent of schools, who is elected by the people every second year. In many districts among the Germans, German teachers are employed, and the schools are therefore made beneficial to the German emigrants at once. As the county becomes more settled, new districts will

be organized, so as to accommodate every neighborhood with educational advantages.

WELCOME TO EMIGRANTS.

Unlike some other localities, the emigrant from foreign countries is received with a cordial welcome, not only by his own countrymen, but also by the native born citizens, the majority of whom are singularly free from native and religious prejudices; as they are well aware that honest and industrious immigrants add to the wealth, greatness and welfare of their country, which every European will love as well as the native born, when he owns a portion of its rich soil and calls it Home.