

The exceedingly dry weather of last autumn, fire was communicated ~~for~~ by a spark from a locomotive and house & implements were destroyed. The "model school house" built by the government is a ^{very inconvenient} two story building, with a couple of tables, & two or three chairs & desks, I could not call it a "model" either in construction or equipments, & I occupied it seven months. What school has been maintained for the last two or three years has been taught in the Mission building erected by O. Sinclair. In his report for 1893 the Agent reports, "There has been ten months of school, with an average attendance of ten pupils." In 1894 he says "They appear to be slowly but surely advancing in civilization, though they do not appreciate the advantages arising from education. The school is very small compared with the whole number of children, averaging ^{but} from ten to in daily attendance." The article says, "They still hoe their corn, use no machinery of the white man's invention, nor even a wagon, on which to haul their tents, xxx & in spite of the cheapness of lumber, have not yet erected a house." In regard to farming implements & farm machinery I have already shown that they use both. In respect to wagons I will quote from the reports of the Committee, made to the Yearly Mtg, 1st from the report of 1892. "When the committee first visited them they had but three wagons