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THE ANNUAL MEETING.

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The tenth annual meeting of the Industrial School Association of Toronto was held at the Victoria Industrial School, Mimico, on Saturday, Oct. 17, 1896. The weather was very disagreeable and had a telling effect upon the attendance. However, upwards of 300 people defied the elements and responded to the invitation of the Board of Management to avail themselves of this opportunity to inspect the school.

On the arrival of the visitors from Toronto the boys were drawn up in line and gave a creditable exhibition of their proficiency in drill. The boys' brass band furnished the music for the occasion. The visitors then made a tour of the buildings, critically inspecting the various departments.

At about 3:30 o'clock the guests mustered in the Howland Memorial Hall to witness the ceremonies connected with the unveiling of the tablet placed therein to the memory of the late lamented founder of the institution—William H. Howland.

Mayor Fleming presided, and at his request the audience joined in singing two verses from the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers." Rev John Neil afterwards fervently invoked the Divine blessing.

His worship then spoke in eulogistic terms of the late W. H. Howland, and in appreciation of the work carried on at the school.

"I do not think," he said, "that the people of Toronto generally know what a splendid institution exists here—(hear, hear)—and the amount of good that is being done, and has been done, to boys who have been unfortunate enough to be left without homes or the parental instruction and care they should have had in early life. I am only sorry more do not avail themselves of the opportunities to learn the nature of the work being done here. My visit this afternoon will enliven my sympathy with you in the great work in which you are engaged. There could be no better way of employing a person's time than by trying to save those who might grow up to be a benefit to society if taken care of in early life. I know there are some who have taken objections to the great work which this institution is carrying on, but I have come to the conclusion that possibly they are a little short-sighted, and, after all, the labors of this institution are in the right line, and destined to accomplish a very great deal of good."

The Mayor paid a warm tribute to the late Mr. Howland, who,