

here every week, Mrs. Spence seems to have succeeded admirably in keeping harmony and order. The position of Assistant Matron was filled by Mrs. Rowe, of Port Hope, who came to us warmly recommended by her minister, Dr. O'Meara, and by several others who knew her well. She has charge of the sewing department, and her quiet, gentle deportment cannot fail to exert a beneficial influence upon those about her.

The laundry is efficiently managed at present. Mrs. Spence has one of the inmates in charge under her, who is untiring in her zeal. The aim of the managers has ever been to have the washing and sewing well done, not only for the sake of giving satisfaction to those who send work to be done, but also to train the inmates in habits of industry and neatness. It is lamentable how many girls who come to us can do nothing well, and seem to have received no training except in sin.

The Sabbath services, morning and evening, have been conducted by laymen; and we wish to again express our appreciation of their kindness and faithfulness. The managers thought it would be well to have a short afternoon service, conducted by ministers of different denominations, and have succeeded in finding eight ministers, living in the northern part of the city, who have kindly consented to take this service in turn. The singing has been taken in charge by a young lady, who makes this part of the service most enjoyable.

Notwithstanding the hard times, the managers acknowledge with thankfulness that owing to the continued support of the friends of the institution they have this year reduced the debt on the building \$1,100. There now remains a debt of only \$400.

Feeling that Dr. Geikie had been taxed too much in his attendance at the Home the Managers offered to release him, conveying to him their appreciation of his valuable services. Dr. Geikie expressed his undiminished interest in the Home, but owing to the pressure of other duties would be glad to resign his position. Dr. Britton kindly consented to take his place.

The inmates have earned during the year \$865.34.

The weight of this world's sin and misery rests heavily on all Christian hearts. When we see those who have been shown the right way deliberately choosing the way of temptation and sin, we catch the reflection, but ah! so faintly, of the dark shadow which swept over Christ's heart when He said, "Ye will not