

to a place of safety; and while a large sum is to be expended in building a new Jail, might not a part be very wisely appropriated to the enlargement of our establishment, that branch of moral police, whose claim we now advocate.

The Committee gratefully mention the kind services of W. Lindsay, Esq., Assistant Clerk of Assembly, for having freed the Society of an expense connected with the passing of the Incorporation Act.

The ladies beg to return their sincere thanks to the public, for the kind subscription and donations of the past year. "It has not been hard times for us," for we have been cheerfully supported, and with few exceptions, the collectors found their duty, to be pleasant work, while many rejoiced to hear of such an Institution, and were ready to help it, either in one way or another. We do not require a great deal, because every thing connected with it, is managed with the strictest economy. The accounts are examined every month, and the smallest item is noted, for we feel ourselves responsible to the public for the wise appropriation of their funds; and with the help of donations of various kinds, as the Report testifies, everything connected with the domestic arrangements has gone on most comfortably, and thanks are due to some of the more active Members of Committee, for their unwearied exertions. Every year brings round changes in the list of the friends of the Institution and Members of Committee. This year we have to regret the loss of Mrs. Brett, our Secretary, and of Mrs. Badgley, one of the earliest friends of the Society. Two other Members of Committee have not been in the country, so that we have to look around us for the aid of other Christian Sisters to fill up vacant places; and surely there will not be wanting many who will rejoice to take part with us in our efforts to reclaim the degraded—to instruct the ignorant—to encourage the penitent, and restore the wanderer.

Our work is not all encouraging, for we have sometimes, hard materials to work upon; much has to be undone, and peculiar difficulties to be met. Our hopes may be raised, then dashed to the ground by some sudden outburst, and yielding to temptation; but all this, checks our boasting, makes us more prayerful and prompts to greater perseverance.

With the Gospel in our hand, we shall not weary of well-doing; with souls perishing around us, we shall not cease to pray, and with divine guidance and blessing, we shall seek to be steadfast and unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that our labour shall not be in vain in the Lord.

The following is a copy of part of a letter received from one of the inmates who left the Institution a week or two ago. (The writer is one of the sisters to whom reference is made in the report.)

July, 1859.

MY DEAR AND GENEROUS FRIENDS,

Permit me to return my sincere and grateful thanks for your great kindness to me and to my sisters. I shall ever hold you in grateful remembrance as long as God gives me life and reason. Where might I have been, had not God in tender pity and compassion brought me to that hallowed place? I love

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