

Beaver Hall Hill had, with its pastor, the Rev. Henry Wilkes, such an influence for good in the city.

In the rooms of a mission Sunday-school of that church some members of the congregation, amongst whom were Mr. John Ritchie, Mr. John Dougall, Mr. William McDougall, Mr. Charles Alexander, started a day infant school and secured a charter for it. This was about thirty-two years ago. When the day of school commissioners dawned, the teaching done at this school passed into their hands. Relieved from this the promoters found that the charter originally granted them was comprehensive enough to admit of a Newsboys' Home being started. The selling of the 'Daily Witness' on the streets of Montreal gave employment to a large number of news-

boys, many of whom seemed to be much neglected. For the benefit of these the Boys' Home was erected with the name of 'Shaftesbury Hall.' Mr. Chas. Alexander gave the money for the building. Shaftesbury Hall gave accommodation also to the Sunday-school and mission which in time developed into Calvary Church. The present Boys' Home was put up some seventeen years ago and the upper wing some ten years later.

The committee of the Boys' Home has now in contemplation the erection of a new wing. They will begin work as soon as the means—about ten thousand dollars—can be obtained for the purpose. The proposed addition will be known under the name of the 'Alexander wing,' and a swimming bath is designed to be one of its chief attractions.