

out a certificate (from a medical man of the place in which the boy resides), stating in full the mental and physical condition of the applicant, which should be subsequently submitted to the Managers for approval before admission.

In consequence of small-pox prevailing in our country, all the inmates have been vaccinated once and some twice and three times. I am happy to say that the dreaded disease did not make its appearance among us, which we can safely attribute to the precautionary measure of vaccination.

The sanitary condition of the Home is very excellent. I would however make the two following suggestions:—First, in reference to the Gymnasium; the present concrete floor should be changed to a wooden one, the dust arising from the former is a constant source of irritation to throat and lungs of the boys, which would be completely removed by replacing it by the latter.

Secondly, there is an absolute necessity for an Infirmary and Dispensary in the Home. At present we have no means of separating the sick from the well, which in the event of an epidemic would militate against the recovery of the sick and greatly endanger the other inmates of the Home.

As in former years, I wish to place on record my full appreciation of the courtesies and assistance rendered me at all times by the Managers and Officials of the Institution.

The presence of Mr. Wilson has been conducive of much good; he teaches the boys to be methodical and regular in their habits, lessons which they cannot forget in after life.

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The Bishop of Algoma moved that the adoption of the Secretary, Treasurer, and Medical Officer's reports, now read, and the Matron's report, be adopted and printed for