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REPORT.

LAST year's report of the Industrial School, reviewed the history of the three preceding years, and was lengthy in proportion. We believe, however, that the better plan is to give an annual report however short, and that the public has a right to this, and to be told frankly in it the working of the Institution, the new experiments tried, the disappointments and success, the difficulties and the needs. And more particularly as our plan has been considerably extended during the past year, there is the more occasion for a Report now. We wish to tell every one who takes an interest in the School all that any member of the Committee knows about it, and to invite from every one counsel, criticism, and aid.

During the year ending Sept. 30th, 1867, things have gone on with us as well as we could have reasonably expected. At the beginning of the year we had room for twentyeight boys. We extended our premises so that we can now accommodate forty-two; and that there was need for so doing, is proved by the fact that for five or six months back we have had from thirty-nine to forty-one boys or lads in the Institution. A few sentences will show of what classes these are composed, what they are doing, and what is becoming of them as they leave.

At the date of our last Report we had twenty-eight boys. We have received since twenty-one additional. Of these five were taken from the City Prison, where they were on the high road to degradation and destruction; and the rest with one or two exceptions were on the streets, and on the high road to crime. The father of one applied for him after he had been in the school for two or three months, and another left about the same time rather than submit to the regular discipline and restraints that are necessary. Eight of the old twenty-eight have left the school during the year;