

BOYS' HOME.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual meeting of the lady managers and patrons of the Boys' Home took place on Tuesday, the 6th February, 1883, at the Home on George Street. Among those present were the Hon. G. W. Allan, Professor Daniel Wilson, Mr. S. H. Blake, Col Gzowski, Rev. Mr. King, Rev. Mr. Sweeny, Mr. Robert Walker.

Mayor Boswell occupied the chair, and the Rev. Canon Dumoulin opened the meeting with prayer.

Professor Wilson then read the Twenty-third Annual Report, as follows:

The Lady Managers of the Boys' Home beg to lay before their friends and the public, a report of the work done in the institution during the year just ended.

The total number of inmates during the past year, including those in residence on the 1st January, 1882, was 154. Of these 41 were removed by their parents, 30 were sent to situations, 10 absconded, 2 were sent to the hospital and 1 died, leaving the large balance of 70 boys still resident in the Home.

Of the 30 boys sent out to situations, 20 have proved satisfactory and have been bound to their employers till they are 18 years of age, 5 were returned to the Home, not being found suitable, and 5 are still on probation.

There are, therefore, now no less than 55 boys in different parts of the country serving their terms of apprenticeship with farmers, and the Managers endeavour by regular and careful enquiry to assure themselves that these absent children are being well brought up and kindly treated. During the last year three of these lads fulfilled their terms of service to the satisfaction of their employers, and are receiving the money which the Managers have in trust for them, as they require it. A short