

not be done, placed those who came under their rules in the Infants' Home, already established, that the few who remained we could by God's blessing get adopted. Of course details of this work would have to be prayerfully thought out.

Another difficulty arises as to how far the work for the class of whom I am now speaking, and that for discharged prisoners and friendless women sent to us in various ways, can be carried on in the same building. For the present, I suppose, each case must be looked at calmly before the Lord, and received if it seems to be His will, trusting Him, should the work become too large for one building, to give means to provide another. But to carry on the work effectually we need three homes in one—one where the poor mothers could be attended, one for children and one for prisoners, and those gathered in from the streets, etc.

Among the latter, many cases occur requiring prompt decision, in which *one* person must have power to act, as there is no time for consultation. I could give details (as you well know) which would thrill the hearts of those who are not in daily contact with the sin and sorrow which goes up before God from street after street of this city, but these are things that can be poured into but *one* ear! I will not therefore, trespass, further upon your time, except to say that I earnestly hope that you and Mrs. Taylor will see it to be the Lord's will that you should not withdraw from a work in which you have had so much blessing. In the great day when all secrets are disclosed I believe it will be found that precious jewels have here been won for Christ.

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This witness is true, and the testimony is important, and the point is this: If the work of the Home, in its old character, goes on, as heretofore, in its full degree, and otherwise it is not a complete nor satisfactory work, arrangements and room must really be added for retaining the children, since the mothers in so many cases try to evade their responsibility as to their unfortunate children,—and this is a large proposal, and would be a large undertaking. But the one who has heretofore had responsibility as to the Home must now leave this question to others. It will be conceded, we believe, that twelve years of one's active life is enough to expect of any one for so onerous a work, and that he may therefore reasonably expect to be relieved. He is thankful that the affairs of the Home are all in good and satisfactory condition. He desires now to give in his final report of it, adding the expression of his conviction that the work in its fullest character, as heretofore carried on, that is, receiving maternity and non-maternity cases equally and alike, should still be continued if any considerable work of rescue and reformation is to be expected. This is unquestionably the lesson of experience.