

The late Mr. John Buckley kindly left a legacy of \$200 to the Protestant Orphans' Home

A clergyman of the Church of England wrote to know if one of the boys, in whom he was interested, had been baptized, and whether it was the custom of the Home to have them baptized? The answer was "yes, if in doubt," as in the case of the boy found in the Park, who could not tell his name; but *not* the children of people of other denominations, who can see to such things for themselves.

The sum of \$8 was allowed to the Superintendent of the Sunday School for prizes.

This little extract may not be amiss here; some one in parting from his apprentice, at the end of his time, wrote, "he was *truthful*, and that is one of the grandest things with a boy."

What might have proved a very disastrous fire occurred, owing to the defective setting of the kitchen range, by which some of the adjoining wood was badly scorched and charred; but providentially found out and checked in time, by Sergeant Major Wilton, the boy's Superintendent, in the night, for which the friends of the Home cannot be too thankful. In writing about it, the agent of the Western Assurance Company said, "considering the noble work that is being done by the Institution, and its marked success, we have thought it right to ask you to accept a cheque for the amount."

Another correspondent writes "Thank you, very much, for the Report, which is most interesting reading for one who has been so closely identified with the Home from its inception; looking back to the humble frame house on Bay street, with its first inmates, it seems almost incredible that the stately mansion on Dovercourt Road should have sprung from that feeble effort."

The Bishop of Athabasca was present, and saw the children receive their presents from Santa Claus. He spoke of the little Indian children, of the north, who are learning to know what Christmas means.

To show the good feeling existing, on their third year in the Home, the boys presented their Superintendent with a walking stick, and Nurse Wilton with a pickle jar, she returning the compliment with new blue ties. On the 25th anniversary of Miss Wheelwrights coming as Matron, the Lady Managers presented her with a handsome silver entree dish, suitably engraved, and a letter expressive of their appreciation of her long and faithful services.

Sincere thanks are offered to the Medical staff for their kind services; to Mr Graham, to the lady teachers in the school, and to those who have interested themselves in the children;