

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
NEWS-BOYS' LODGING
AND INDUSTRIAL HOME.

The Managers of the News-boys' Lodging have much pleasure in being able to report the close of another year of successful work among the neglected children of the street ; and in doing so they have, once more, to make grateful acknowledgement of the valuable co-operation so heartily and efficiently rendered by the Ladies' Committee, who undertake the entire oversight and charge of all domestic arrangements of the Home.

There are two classes of boys under the care of this Institution : 1st. Casual wanderers who, after obtaining shelter for a few nights,—generally in the most inclement winter season,—are lost sight of ; or drift back again to the Home, after fruitless efforts at self-maintenance, or a renewed trial of mendicancy and such wretched shelter as drunken or criminal parents will give. The 2nd are permanent lodgers, to whom the News-boys' Lodging is their only home ; and who continue to regard it as such, and to visit it from time to time, for years after they have ceased to be its inmates.

One or two examples of those admitted during the past year will best illustrate the class for whom such a home is required.

T. P., aged 10. His father, an old pensioner, is an habitual drunkard : his step-mother sent him out to beg, and beat him when he failed to bring home a sufficient amount.