

The Committee would also record their grateful appreciation of the co-operation with them of the civil authorities in their benevolent designs, by sending to the Refuge those novices in crime whom they think will only be hardened by being sent to the jail, and who are willing to come to the Institution.

From the knowledge derived by the ladies from their visits to the jail, they know that the number of inmates at the Refuge might be greatly increased if extra efforts were made to procure them; but as the accommodation of the house and the limited funds at their disposal will not allow of more than ten inmates at one time, they have not used much exertion to induce persons to come. Whenever accommodation is provided for more inmates, the Committee will gladly form a plan for seeking out the fallen and degraded women for whom the Society was organized.

A deed of the four acres of land granted by the Corporation last year has been obtained; also a Charter from the Legislature.

The commercial distress of the past year has prevented the Committee from making any efforts to collect money for a building, but they still keep the object in view, and look to the Building Committee of gentlemen to use active exertions to procure the erection of a house, with suitable accommodation, as soon as the community are in circumstances to respond to the call.

With thankful acknowledgment of the Providential favors so far attendant on their feeble efforts, and an humble reliance on the same Divine aid in the future, the Committee recommend the cause to the zealous co-operation of the friends of the out-cast, and to the efficient management of their successors.

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