

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF No. 1. MOTHERS' MEETING.

THIS Meeting was commenced in March 1870, by Mrs. Renaud, and had for its object the awakening of an interest in spiritual things, in the hearts of those who might attend, and at the same time offer to them the advantages of a Clothing club. The meetings have been held almost uninterruptedly every Thursday afternoon, and although the attendance has not been as large as could have been wished, it has been sufficiently encouraging to induce those Ladies who have taken charge, to continue the meeting. The plan pursued has been to furnish material for clothing of various kinds, and those desirous of obtaining it become subscribers, and pay in small sums as they find it convenient. While the articles of clothing are being cut out and made, one of the ladies reads some interesting and instructive book, and the meeting is closed with a Bible lesson and prayer.

The number of persons who have taken advantage of the Clothing Club during the year is 21, and these have paid in at the meeting in small sums \$70,92½.

As it was necessary to have some funds to purchase material to commence operations with, and also to furnish linings &c. to be given with the dresses subscribed for, some of the committee kindly contributed about \$4, and \$8 was granted from the Domestic Mission funds.

When Mrs. Tannahill took charge of the Treasurer's book in May, a balance was handed to her of \$4,12cts, to which subscriptions have been added at various times during the year, from Mrs. Jas. Ponton, Mrs. Holton, Miss Wallbridge, Mrs. Northrup, and Mrs. Tannahill, amounting to \$8,50,—making in all \$12,62. Adding this sum to the amount paid in by the women, we have \$83,54½. The amount expended for material has been \$82,95; leaving a balance in hand of 59½ cts. The articles of clothing made up and sold during the year are:—26 dresses, 14 girls' do., 15 shirts, 20 chemises, 42 aprons, 26 sheets, 7 night-gowns, 7 pairs drawers, 2 linen jackets, 1 cloth do.

And there were received from the Mission School ready made: 2 shirts, 2 small frocks, 1 petticoat, 12 aprons, 3 shirts, 4 chemises, also sold at the meeting; the proceeds of which are included in the amount paid in by the women.

Mrs. Hanwell, Mrs. Baker, and Miss Ritchie, kindly sent parcels of clothing in December, partly new and partly second-hand, which