

\$81 per boy ; and the British people think that a much cheaper way of checking crime than by sending juveniles to Bridewells, or Rockheads, to live there awhile at a heavier cost and then to be sent back into society hardened and desperate, because they had been associated with irreclaimable criminals, or it may be brought under the authoritative teaching of an older convict in a so-called Prison Reformatory !

What then have we done this year ? We have cleared off our debt, thanks chiefly to the ladies who got up a bazaar for the purpose, and to some half-dozen liberal friends who completed the work. We have paid our way up to this date, and \$200 more will bring us to the end of our year—January 31st, without being in debt for the working expenses, and in a position to begin next year's operations quite unincumbered. We are erecting a new building, which will be finished in November, at a cost of \$600, the greater part of which we expect to get from a sale of fancy work that the ladies intend holding in the Mason Hall a few days before Christmas. As far as money is concerned, all that we now ask is that God would put it into the hearts of His people to send us about \$300 additional, and we would feel that nothing was lacking, and that our most sanguine hopes were more than realized ; for we thought that we would do well this year if we held our own, whereas we could then say that we had cleared off the liabilities of the past, met all the demands of the present, and laid a broader foundation for the future. But we have done far more this year than get into a sound financial condition. Our Reformatory has become one in fact as well as name. The material, intellectual, and moral improvement of the boys is positively wonderful. Take this threefold aspect of the case and consider what has been effected. In the first place we desire to make men of them ; not to coddle them as in a hothouse, nor to enforce a rigid machine-like uniformity in little things, but to make them reliant and handy. So while the twelve oldest learn shoemaking, they are not confined to that. They are called on to assist the others at times in gardening, in doing the work of the house, in making little repairs &c. The other boys are employed in various ways ; some are hired out by the week, day, or hour to run errands or do jobs about houses, and in every case these are required to be back at the Home in time for the evening school ; others assist in the house work, cleaning their own

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