the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia. The Committee pay a small sum for the rent, as well as the Schoolmaster's salary, and other incidental expenses.

On the Sunday evening the schoolroom is opened for the poor who are unable from various causes to attend any place of worship,—a short service is held, and some interesting narrative read, after singing and the reading of a portion of scripture.

Dr. Cogswell and the Committee entered most warmly into the plan proposed for forming an Industrial school, and on the 16th Dec. 1863 six boys were taken out of the Ragged school, clothed in a suitable uniform, and sent out as errand boys—their average age was about 12. The result of the first days earnings did not afford much encouragement, as they only brought in between them 25 cents:—with one or two exceptions these boys had been in prison. A shoemakers class was also formed of older boys, average age 18, and a first class workman engaged to instruct and superintend that department. At the close of the day the boys assembled at the schoolroom when they were supplied with a hot meal. Mr. Willis of the National school was engaged to give them two hours instruction in the evenings. The numbers rapidly increased but it was sad to witness their miserably degraded state—the name of God blasphemed, His law set at defiance, and broken with impunity,—all more or less addicted to drinking, (shame to the Publicans of the Upper Streets who are so dead to all sense of shame or feeling as to make lads of tender years helplessly drunk) quarrelsome, filthy in their habits, and regardless of truth ! such was the state of this bear-garden in the commencement of Jan. 1864 as seen in the Albermarle Street Ragged school. But the law of love and kindness, and the softening influences of the Gospel of Christ began gradually to make itself felt, and it was encouraging to see the marked change that came over many a poor lad,—several of them earnestly asking whether they could not be taken charge of altogether, and be provided with sleeping places, for other-