

ORPHANS' HOME.

The friends and contributors to this admirable institution gathered in large numbers in the school room of the home, Dovercourt, yesterday afternoon. Various reports of a very satisfactory kind regarding the year's work, were read. Rev. J. D. Cayley took the chair, and he was accompanied on the platform by Professor Symonds, Rev. W. Galbraith, Rev. C. L. Inglis, Rev. A. Hart, Dr. McConnell and Mr. Huson Murray. Many ladies occupied seats in the hall. The children contributed several songs.

Professor Symonds read the 28th annual report of the Committee of Management and that of the Treasurer, and moved their adoption. The former showed that since May, 1888, 72 children had been admitted, of whom 47 were boys and 25 girls, belonging to the following denominations: Presbyterians, 11; Methodists, 11; Baptists, 2; Salvation Army, 1; Church of England, 40; Protestants not specified, 7. Seventy-six children were discharged, 47 taken by relatives, one boy ran away, and four girls and sixteen boys were apprenticed. The total average per month in the home was 172—including the matron and staff, 181. The lady managers gratefully acknowledged the attention of medical officers and the unremitting care of Mr. Graham, and also tendered thanks to the public for generous support. The summer pleasure trips given by Messrs. Davis, McIntyre and others during the hot weather were thoroughly enjoyed. The school is under the control of the Public School Board, and the cost of each inmate per day was 14 cents. The council of the home recently transferred the mortgage from the North of Scotland Canadian Mortgage Co. and arranged a loan from the trustees of the late Wm. McMaster's estate for 18,600, at 5½ per cent. for ten years, thereby reducing the interest. Many favorable reports have been received from boys placed in situations. Among promised subscription was one of \$1,000 towards the debt from Mr. Wm. Gooderham. Mr. Sam. Taylor had contributed \$200, Miss Ellen Denison \$50, and Mrs. Franklin, Streetsville, \$200. The proceeds of the ball in the Pavilion amounted to \$706.21, and \$393.14 was received from the Orange lodges.