

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

WHEN this Report was published the time seemed opportune for the organization of a Children's Aid Society, to wisely direct the trend of legislation that was sure to follow.

In preparing the way for the proposed society a letter was written to the *Toronto News* on April 15, 1891, from which the following extract is taken:

Editor News: I happened to be at the Police Court the other day and the first thing that caught my attention was the presence before the bar of no less than seven boys, not one of whom was eighteen years of age. They were charged with larceny in various degrees, and one had even gone so far as to have served a term in Kingston penitentiary. The number of boys who come up in the Police Court from day to day is a problem that calls for the most careful inquiry and the application of remedies calculated to effect a decided change. The Police report for the past year gives the number of boys arrested between the ages of ten and fifteen to be 653, while the number between the ages of fifteen and twenty was 971, a total of 1,624.

Should we not organize at once a Society that will rescue children from such unfortunate conditions and afford them the opportunity to grow up good men and women?

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ACTION APPROVED.

After securing the cordial endorsement of such men as W. H. Howland, Beverley Jones, Inspector Archibald, Mr. Langmuir, and Dr. Rose-