

and the Rev. E. A. Dunn, were also present. Owing to a previous engagement the Dean of Quebec was unable to attend. After a Hymn and Prayers the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read. The Lord Bishop then addressed the meeting, speaking a few words of kindness and encouragement to the Ladies of the Committee of Management and to the orphan children. In alluding to the Treasurer's report, the Bishop said he was sorry to hear that the expenditure for the past year exceeded the receipts, but the fact was easily explained by the decrease in the income owing to the low rate of interest. The many repairs and improvements needed from time to time necessitated large outlays. He hoped, however, Donations would be received from many kind friends interested in the Institution towards the funds of the Asylum. Canon Richardson followed in a similar strain, strongly endorsing all the Bishop had said as to the needs of the Institution, and suggested a sum of money should be raised to be called the Sustentation Fund. After a few words from the Rev. L. W. Williams and the Rev. H. J. Petry, a Hymn was sung, and the Bishop pronounced the Blessing.

Tea and coffee were served to the visitors, many of whom went over the building. The boys of the Male Orphan Asylum were present and remained to join in the "Tea" provided for the children.

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ORPHAN ASYLUM.

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The affairs of the Institution have gone on in a fairly satisfactory manner during the past year.

Finding our expenses were running rather in advance of our income, several reductions in our expenditure have been made, and we hope by practising strict economy for the next year or two to bring affairs back to their proper level. Owing to the reduction in interest and Govern-

ment grant, our income for the last year or two has been much reduced. Large outlays for needful repairs and improvements in the drainage and building, etc., have made our expenses very heavy, and it being quite impossible to meet them out of our income, we have been obliged to use a portion of our capital. We were much disappointed at not receiving a more liberal portion from the late James Ross' estate, \$1,000 only having been received from the Trustees of the Finlay Asylum out of the portion allotted to the Finlay Male and Female Orphan Asylums.

We have also to gratefully acknowledge a bequest from the late Mr. O'Connor, of five shares in the Quebec Bank. These sums have been set apart to form the nucleus of a Repair Fund.

Nine children have been received into the Institution during the past year. Three girls have been placed in service and five removed by parents and guardians, leaving the total number of eighteen now under our care. Four of the girls have been confirmed.

Mrs. F. Wurtele having been obliged to resign the Treasurership, Mrs. P. P. Hall has been appointed to take her place. The Committee have to report a change of Matron, Mrs. Browning having left and Miss Brooke having been engaged in her place. Miss Ord still continues to give entire satisfaction.

The Committee wish to place on record their deep sense of the loss they have sustained in the death of Miss Forsyth, for many years a faithful member of the Committee and at all times a sincere and kind friend to the orphan children. The Committee also regret having lost another member, Miss Burstall, who, having left Canada to reside in England, has been obliged to resign. Mrs. R. Hale and Mrs. W. Price have been elected members to fill the vacant places. Our President, Mrs. Dunn, has very kindly presented the Institution with a Harmonium, which affords the inmates a great deal of pleas-