

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

In again meeting the friends of this Institution, the Managers have to report for the past year—1882-83—as follows, viz :—

That the Institution is now on a sound financial basis. The liberal subscriptions of friends added to the Government grant and the fees received from pupils, are adequate to carry out to the fullest extent the philanthropic ideas of the friends of the unfortunate beings for whom the Institution was originated.

This is no doubt a matter of great satisfaction to those who have striven so long and so persistently in this labour of love. It has hitherto been carried on under the great disadvantages of a large debt and heavy interest. These are happily now things of the past.

It would probably be invidious to mention names, but many Ladies and Gentlemen there are, who since the very inception of this enterprise have worked and are working for the best interests of Protestant Deaf Mutes, and who well deserve the thanks of our citizens. It seems, in view of the loss annually sustained in the death of friends, that it is but right to acknowledge the value of the services of any willing workers, whilst we still enjoy the comfort of their presence.

We have during the past year to deplore the death of some warm friends, among others, that of Mr. Edward Mackay, who at the death of his brother Joseph, was nominated President. He took a lively interest in the work and his remembrance of the Institution in his Will shews how heartily he appreciated its importance. He has left us a legacy of \$8,000.

Mr. H. A. Nelson has also gone to his rest, honoured by all who knew him. His loss is felt by the Managers.

Mr. D. J. Greenshields is another friend taken from us. He also left the Institution a legacy of \$1,000.