

ISOLATED CONFERENCES.

The Conference of Our Lady of Guelph mentions two special cases. The first was that of a poor family who arrived in the city entirely destitute, and with a sick father. They were supplied with a stove, furniture and bedding, and were visited weekly and assisted until the father recovered and was able to work. The children also were comfortably clad, and enabled to attend school regularly.

Several years ago a poor family was assisted by the Conference, and loaned a sum of money to enable them to tide over a crisis. Having attained to better circumstances, the money was all paid back during the past year.

The Conference is very vigilant in looking after neglected children. Several have been placed in comfortable homes, and others in the Orphans' Home at Dundas. In this good work they are encouraged and assisted by the parish priest and the solicitor. So far as known, this is the only Conference within the circumscription that has adopted the beautiful devotion of the nocturnal adoration. The members supply the guard of honor in the parish church from Holy Thursday evening to Good Friday morning.

ORILLIA.—The Conference of the Angel Guardian reports having sent a poor woman to St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto; while there, they paid half of the expenses, and had the satisfaction of learning that it was the means of saving her life.

KINGSTON.—The Conference of St. Mary Immaculate reports that the members visit the poor families regularly, and endeavor to get parents to send their children to school, and also to induce both parents and children to attend Mass regularly. They also look after neglected children who are taken in charge by the Children's Aid Society. During the year they secured the baptism of three children between 1 and 4 years of age, who had been neglected by their parents.

CHATHAM.—The Conference of St. Joseph assisted a poor family whose head was a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital; the members visited him there until he died.