

have thus materially aided them in their work by supplying these poor little ones with so much recreation, enjoyment, and solid comfort, in the shape of provisions of every kind, will one and all accept this general acknowledgment, with their very warmest thanks. The Committee desire particularly to draw attention to the handsome donations of \$100 from Col. Gzowski, \$50 from Mr. S. Alcorn, \$50 from Mr. James Lesslie, and \$40 from Mr. Robert Walker. To Dr. Thorburn, who has been the faithful friend and physician of the Institution ever since its commencement, and who still continues to attend the inmates free of all charge, the Managers feel they owe a large debt of gratitude. They have also to acknowledge, with thanks, the gratuitous services of Dr. Reeves and Dr. W. C. Adams. The Managers have pleasure in testifying to the continued energy and zeal displayed, in the discharge of her duties, by the Matron, Mrs. Munro, and that, too, under disadvantages of no ordinary character. The school continues under the charge of Mrs. Arthurs, who, by the steady and rapid progress made by the boys, proves herself to be a most efficient and painstaking teacher. The Sunday-School is also still conducted by that old friend of the Home, Mr. Thomas, who, with the ladies and gentlemen that assist him, claim the grateful thanks of the Managers.

The Treasurer's annual financial statement will be found annexed, a glance at which will show that the funds of the Institution are in a very low state, the balance on hand being quite inadequate to meet the current expenses of the Home for the next eight months, which must elapse before the annual collections are again made; but this state of the finances cannot be wondered at when it is seen that the result of the collections made by the Managers last autumn from house to house in the principal streets of the city was only about \$2,000. \$2,000 in a city of 70,000 inhabitants!

In January last the finances were in the same unsatisfactory condition that they are at present, and by the month of June the Managers found themselves without any means wherewith to carry on their work. In this emergency they decided, after giving the matter prayerful consideration, to throw themselves on the continued generosity of the public, rather than attempt to raise money by means of an entertainment or some such ordinary effort. Each member of the Board undertook to collect \$10 in any way that was most feasible to herself. By this