

to insufficient accommodation, and to the fact that it was impossible to classify the inmates ; so that those just entering upon a life of sin might be kept apart from those who had become hardened criminals. It was found, also, that laundry work, which had been started with a view to giving employment to the inmates, could not be carried on satisfactorily, as many of the women were physical wrecks, and unable for hard work ; consequently, it was shirked and slighted whenever an opportunity presented itself.

In order to obviate these difficulties, it was decided to enlarge the building, and to purchase machinery for the laundry.

In March, 1890, the new building was ready for occupation, and great was the joy of the women as they moved from the dark, cold crowded wash-room, into the large, airy rooms where the work of the Home Steam Laundry is now carried on, and which is one of the best equipped laundries in the city. In the basement is a twelve-horse power engine and a large boiler. On the ground floor is an office, a sorting and wash-room, with a large hydraulic washer, a centrifugal wringer, starch dipper, starch kettle, soap boiler, and stationary tubs. Upstairs, in a large