

REPORT

Of the Managers of the Orphans' Home and Female Aid Society.

SUBMITTED TO THE FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, HELD IN ST. LAWRENCE HALL,
TORONTO, THE 1ST OF JUNE, 1852.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY :

In obedience to the Act of Incorporation, the Managers present the first Annual Report ; and, whilst they regret that they have not yet been able to take under their charge the avowed objects of the Charity, they trust that the following detail of the preliminary business and establishment of the Society will prove that the delay has arisen from circumstances over which they had no control.

At the public meeting held in the City Hall on the 15th day of July 1851 twenty managers were elected, and on the 29th of July the Managers chose from among themselves the officers of the Society.

The first monthly meetings of the Managers were fully occupied in the proper organization of the Association ; and finally, the nine Rules and Regulations (now printed) were adopted, and having been duly signed, became the Rules and Regulations of the Society. The Managers also decided upon, and caused to be engraved, a seal for the use of the Society, as a Corporate Seal.

In accordance with the provisions of the Act of Incorporation, the Managers now submit the said nine printed rules, and a tenth in writing, for the approval and confirmation of the members of the Society, at this their first general meeting held under the authority of the said act.

A valuable site for the buildings was verbally offered by the Hon. R. Baldwin and the Hon. Wm. Cayley to the promoters of the Charity, which offer was repeated in writing to the Managers at their first meeting, and accepted by them ; but the deed has not yet been completed and handed to the Managers.

After the Managers had entered upon their duties they lost no time in sending round collectors with the subscription lists, and had every reason to be satisfied with the result during the short time the lists were in the hands of the collectors.

Madlle. Jenny Lind having arrived in Toronto, most munificently directed that the proceeds of one of the Concerts to be given by her should be divided among the charitable institutions of the city, and left the appropriation thereof to John G. Bowes, Esq., as Mayor.

His Worship accordingly offered a considerable portion of this donation to the Managers, upon condition of their raising a like sum within ten days, the whole to be applied to the erection of an