

Forest, who had adopted one of the little girls. The widow not feeling able to provide for her, she was transferred as an apprentice to another place (a nephew of Mrs. Carscaden). Fifty of the boys and girls were invited to hear the Victoria Minstrels, by the Rev. G. Davidson. Through the kindness of J. Ross Robertson, Esq., M.P., 160 of the little ones were taken (free of cost by the T. S. R.) to the Pavilion to see the Monkey Theatre, with which they were delighted. It must not be forgotten that all this time the lessons were going on regularly under Miss Armstrong, the Lady Principal and the other teachers, who take a great interest in their studies, and also in the Kindergarten classes. All those connected with the School and Home, and also the Sunday School are agreed in the desire to send out good children, who will be a blessing to themselves and others. Through the very kind thoughtfulness of St. Andrew's C. E. Society of Drumbo, eleven barrels of apples were received, and needless to say enjoyed by the many little mouths.

In December, the children's month, the Angel of death again hovered near and took a sweet little girl of 3½, Cora Eva Findley, of diphtherial croup, away to the bright world beyond. The rest of the nursery children were isolated, and two others, Ethel Levaek and Lottie Gillespie were sent to the Isolation Hospital (where they recovered). Eventually, no more cases appearing, they were allowed downstairs again. A few words of praise must be given to the nurses in charge of them, who were assiduous in their duty. The Managers also wish to give a hearty vote of thanks to the members of the Medical Staff for their unremitting kindness to the children. During this month Miss Wheelright removed to her sister's, in Bellevue Avenue, and one of the older girls went with her. A legacy of \$4,000 had been left by Miss Jane Porter, but was disputed by her relatives, who were not affluent themselves. The matter was left in the hands of the Home's invaluable solicitor, Huson Murray, Esq., Q.C. The Managers would wish here, to express their great appreciation of Mr. Murray's services. In acknowledging the receipt of an Indenture with a girl, a person said the terms were "unreasonable," so the Secretary was obliged to say in return, "she was the only one who had said so." As a rule the small annual payments for apprentices is made very promptly (*the* exception proves the rule!) the farmers evidently feeling glad that there is some provision being made for the girls and boys when their time is up with them. If they go at eleven years of age and remain until seventeen, the sum is fifty-four dollars, with a little interest. They have to be fed, clothed and sent to school part of the time, and to be treated with consideration. Should any child be found to be unsuitable to the