

see the Cinematograph, to Mr. Osler for his annual gift of a new ten cent piece to each boy, to Mr. Carruthers for \$25 for special Christmas treat, which, with \$5 from the Lady True Blue Orphanage and some other smaller sums, enabled the Matron to provide a nice present for each of the 111 boys, who, bright and happy, were present to receive them.

In conclusion, the managers pray that the dear Heavenly Father, whose beloved Son said, "Suffer little children to come unto Me," will bless the work they have in hand, and which He has so far allowed them to continue with success.

K. S. SCOTT, *Secretary*.

Boys' HOME,

Feb. 22nd, 1897.

Rev. Prof. Wrong then read the Treasurer's Report in the absence through illness of Sir Casimer S. Gzowski. The Medical Officer's Report was then read by Dr. Thorburn.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEDICAL REPORT OF THE HOME.

During the past year the Home has been visited by no fewer than three epidemics.

The first was scarlet fever (scarlatina), which broke out among the inmates early in October. Thirty-one boys were attacked by the disease, of whom twenty-one were sent to the Isolation Hospital, and ten cared for by ourselves.

The second epidemic, mumps, (parotitis) appeared in December, attacking twenty-four boys. These boys were kept at home.

The third epidemic was chicken-pox (varicella), which appeared early in January, attacking some ten boys, who were also sent to the Infirmary.