

In conclusion the managers pray that Almighty God will bless the work they have in hand and which He has so far allowed them to continue with such success.

FLORRIE PATERSON,

Act. Secretary.

The Treasurer's Report, which will be found annexed, was then read by Col. Gzowski.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

In presenting my twenty-ninth Annual Report, I beg to inform our friends, that during the summer of 1888, several of the boys contracted a very contagious and troublesome disease of the scalp, "Tenia Tonsurans," and knowing how rapidly it spreads, when it enters an Institution, and especially as we had no means of separating them, I personally took the first two boys to the General Hospital, but the authorities would not receive them, later on the lady Directresses procured a suitable building on Parliament Street, to which twenty-four of the boys were sent, six have been returned cured. Doctors Graham and Cavan kindly consented to take charge of the quarantined boys, and I wish here to express my thanks to them for their attention.

With the exception of this troublesome and annoying affection, the inmates have enjoyed most excellent health. There were a few cases of catarrhal condition of the respiratory tract, and it is gratifying to know that there have been no deaths to record. This is a cause of thankfulness, for both scarlet fever and diphtheria, invaded many houses in our neighborhood, with fatal effect. The question may be asked how it is that these hundred boys escape sickness, etc., while others who live in comfortable houses, surrounded by every care and luxury are very often sick.