

# MONTREAL

## PROTESTANT ORPHAN ASYLUM.

### SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum, was held at the Institution, 93 Côte des Neiges Road, on Wednesday, the 11th of January, 1899, the Right Reverend W. B. Bond, Bishop of Montreal, presiding, when the following annual report was submitted and adopted :—

In presenting their Seventy-seventh Annual Report, the Managers of the Protestant Orphan Asylum desire to express their gratitude to all who have contributed to the support of the Institution, and feel confident that, though the occurrences of the past year differ but slightly from those of other years, a record of the work accomplished will not be devoid of interest to its many friends and patrons. It also affords an opportunity of reaching the notice of strangers to its usefulness, who may possibly be induced to assist the Institution, when they become better acquainted with its needs.

No special feature has marked the year just closed ; yet, under the watchful care of an ever kind Providence, we acknowledge with a deep sense of gratitude that a singular amount of prosperity has been accorded us.

Founded in 1822, the Protestant Orphan Asylum holds a distinct, as well as prominent place, among the numerous and varied charities of Montreal, being the only one specially set apart for the free support, maintenance and education of destitute and friendless Protestant children who have lost both parents.

At the beginning of January, 1898, there were thirty-nine children in the Home ; since then fourteen (14), seven boys and seven girls have been admitted, making a total of fifty-three who have benefited by the Institution during the year ; a larger number than for many years past. Small, perhaps, by comparison with the numbers received and cared for by other Institutions in the city, but it must be remembered that we give our children a permanent, not a temporary home. Once admitted, they remain