

Society has not been materially lessened. Although the long-continued monetary depression, and the withdrawal of some old friends, and other adverse circumstances might naturally be supposed to affect the Income of your Society, the Managers have much pleasure in stating, that such is not the fact to any great extent. For these and other mercies they give their unfeigned thanks to the Giver of all good.

The Managers feel that their grateful acknowledgments are due to their distinguished Lady Patroness, Her Excellency Lady Head, for the warm interest which she has taken in the Institution, and the valuable support and countenance afforded it by her upon all occasions, more especially at the Christmas Festival of last year.

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In conclusion, the Managers would now say that it has ever been their constant aim, their earnest wish, their anxious prayer, that each child entrusted to them—no matter where its lot in life may be cast hereafter—may not forget the early lessons that have been taught them here—that in every trial and temptation to which they may be exposed, they may through the Grace of Christ, be enabled to “fight the good fight of Faith, and lay hold on Eternal Life,” and that in the last hour instead of being tempted by any pains of death to fall from Christ, to say rather with Him, “Father the hour is come—I have glorified Thee on the earth—I have finished the work which Thou gavest me to do.”

