

NEW CHAPEL ORGAN.

THE sweet strains of music are, perhaps, nowhere better appreciated, or of more real service than in an Hospital for the Insane. From the first, no opportunity has been lost of providing musical instruments and musical entertainments for the inmates at Mount Hope. Fifteen years ago a subscription was set on foot, to enable us to buy a Piano Forte. On learning this, Edward Binney, Esq., with his accustomed liberality, gave us an excellent instrument, the best to be had in Halifax, and the money previously subscribed for the Piano, was thus made available for the purchase of an Organ.

A small second-hand one was bought, which served for several years for our Sunday services, and occasionally for practice on the part of such of the patients as could preside at the instrument. Frequent repairs were required, and these proved eventually of no avail, so that it became necessary to replace the old Organ by a new one.

We were greatly encouraged in making an appeal for this purpose, by the generous co-operation of a professional brother. Dr. J. E. Tyler, formerly Superintendent of the McLean Asylum, Boston, who with a friend contributed seventy-six dollars towards a new instrument. A friend in England offered twenty-five pounds sterling, and these handsome donations were speedily followed by others ranging from five to twenty dollars, which were cheerfully contributed, and very soon amounted to the sum required for a first-class Organ.

After diligent enquiry it was ascertained that Messrs. E. & G. G. Hook & Hastings, Organ builders, of Boston, would give by far the best satisfaction both as regards workmanship and efficiency, and could supply us much earlier than any other makers. An order was sent to this firm in January, and in precisely two months time the organ was in our chapel and tuned—and it has proved entirely satisfactory.

It is enclosed in a neat and substantial Walnut case, of handsome design, with decorated pipes, and has ten stops. Its tone is soft and rich, combining great sweetness with full effectiveness. Possessing as it does all the requisites of a chapel organ, it is well worth its price—One Thousand dollars, American currency. In-

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