

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the President of Board of Directors :

GENTLEMEN,—The number of our pupils has not been as great as in former years, but we have kept those in attendance steadily at work, and we have accommodation for a much larger number.

Our Role at the commencement of the year contained the names of 30 boys, eight of whom have since left us, one by order of the Magistrate, one by order of the Board, and six owing to their time having expired. The places of those leaving have been filled by eight new boys.

Several of the young lads trained in our Shoe Shop have, at the expiration of their terms, been engaged as regularly employed workmen, either in our own workshop or in city factories. These are all receiving good wages and their work gives entire satisfaction to their employers.

The smaller boys are employed in splitting and bundling kindling wood, which is sold to our citizens; and in the summer season they have out door work in the garden or on the farm.

On Sunday, the boys are taken in a body to one of the Protestant churches in the city, and in the afternoon, they are carefully trained in the Sunday school classes at the Home.

I have always endeavoured to keep up a correspondence with those who leave the School, especially with young men who are located outside of the city. A few extracts of letters from some of these would be of interest.

One boy writing from Isle of Man. "My dear sir, when I sit down and think what I might have been if I had not been placed in the Industrial School, I dread to think; but thank God I am now in a good situation and doing well here. I went to Liverpool, and while there visited on the Sabbath one of the Refuge Schools, and gave them an address with a description of the dear old School at Halifax."