

3. The Savings' Bank for the spare earnings of the boys continues in satisfactory operation, and proves to be the most efficient test of the improvement effected on inmates of the Home. So soon as a boy begins to lay by his spare earnings, new motives and habits come into force, and supply the best antidote to vagrancy. Ideas of providence and steady industry are developed; and, though the Managers have from time to time to acknowledge with sorrow the disappointment of hopes thus engendered; yet in many cases this proves the beginning of a reformation, fitting the boy to desire and retain permanent employment.

There have been thirty-seven depositors in the Savings' Bank during the past year, in sums amounting in all to \$237.24. During the same period, the daily payments of the boys for board have amounted in all to \$523.24.

No more conclusive evidence of the success so far attending this effort to rescue the neglected children of our streets from vagrancy and crime, and to put them in a fair way of becoming industrious members of Society, could be produced, than this practical result of \$760.48, saved from the street boys' own earnings, and expended in boarding, clothing and starting them in life. It frequently happens that, after a boy is apprenticed, or provided with permanent employment in town, he could not retain his situation and lodge himself, with the moderate wages necessarily given at starting, without the shelter and oversight of the Home. Boys sent to the country, have also repeatedly shown their appreciation of the Home, by sending their little savings to the care of the Superintendent; and by taking advantage of a holiday to visit it, as the only place where they felt that they could meet those who had a friendly interest in them. The difficulties arising from

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