

In the first and each succeeding Report, reference was made to a grant of land in the City of Toronto from the Government—firstly, for a site, and subsequently, for an endowment for the “Home” :—The Board of Management of 1856, have great satisfaction in announcing to the Corporation, that these protracted and tedious negotiations, pending now for five years, have been at length consummated by a free grant from the Crown of a valuable acre of land on Bathurst Barrack Square, and which the out-going Managers suggest should, as soon as possible, be made available for the income of the Society. Past experience tells them that too much importance cannot be attached to the permanent endowment of such an Institution as this ; and they rejoice to be enabled to say that it has fallen to their lot to lay the foundation of a fund for this purpose. On November 21, 1856, His Lordship the Bishop of the Diocese, visited the “Home,” and placed in the hands of the Treasurer a cheque for £151 15s. 9d., being a portion of the balance remaining in his Lordship’s hands from subscriptions in previous years for widows and orphans, and which sum has been invested as nucleus for an Endowment Fund, affording to the Institution an income of £15.

On the occasion of the above visit, His Lordship was pleased to express his unqualified approbation of the mode in which the entire affairs of the establishment were conducted ; and here the Managers have much pleasure in quoting from the visitors’ book the following very encouraging and gratifying observations, viz :—

The remarks of the Rev. Edward Lindsey Elwood, A. M., Rector of Goderich, are as follows :—

October 15th.

“To one who remembers the noble charitable institutions of fatherland, it is truly gratifying to see in this new country such a commencement of similar establishments as the Orphans’ Home presents. Many other parts of the Province

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