well-wishers will make an effort—no very great one is required—to go and see things for themselves, and thus help to encourage those who are working so hard and faithfully for the welfare of the children who have no others to care for them in a proper manner.

One very cheering transaction has taken place during the year, viz., the paying into the bank to the account of the A. I. S. the sum of two thousand dollars, the amount of the Massey bequest. This has made it possible to undertake many necessary things that would have had to remain unattended to for want of funds. One unexpected amount of two hundred and nine dollars and thirty-five cents (\$209.35) had to be met, the amount of a note given by a gentleman towards the payment of the land on which the school stands, and which, through unfortunate circumstances, he found himself quite unable to pay.

They say that the happiest lives are the uneventful ones, if this applies to the life of an institution then the Alexandra School must be blessed beyond the ordinary; every thing seems to run on oiled wheels, an atmosphere of peace, harmony and contentment pervades the whole place.

The ladies of the Executive have often been cast down, but never despairing, the apathy of those in authority has seemed so great, yet the signs are that the dawning of a brighter day is at hand; meantime, they leave the matter entirely with God knowing that He will order all things wisely and well.

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