

"Our task, long since begun, will never end while suffering has a boon to ask" or there are those who seek the joys and comfort of a happy home. To these our doors are ever open, and in gratitude to God for the daily mercies we receive, let part of our religion be to minister unto and for these who are dependent upon strangers for the love and protection of which they have been deprived.

'Tis sympathy for others' pain,
'Tis heart, and mind, and patience rich,
'Tis loving kindness, failing never.

Cultivating these higher feelings and qualities, as Christians, we look forward to one day being developed in an infinitely higher degree than can ever be attained here.

W. D. CARLYLE. *Secretary.*

October 1st, 1898.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting was held on Friday, 28th October, at 4 p.m., in the Board Room of the "Home," which was prettily decorated with rugs, plants, etc., for the occasion.

The Honorable George Allan occupied the chair. The meeting opened with the children of the Home singing.

They occupied seats in the background and showed by their happy faces, their interest in the meeting, and by their appearance, the good care they had received.

Rev. Dr. Thomas followed with an earnest prayer for past mercies, and future helpfulness and blessing.

Senator Allan spoke of the pleasure he had in being present. In the past history of the Home he had been very intimately associated with it. He regretted, with the Board, the absence of one, Sir George Kirkpatrick, who had on former occasions so ably filled the chair, but was now prevented, owing to ill health, from being with them, and who, with Lady Kirkpatrick, had always taken a warm interest in this Home. He was pleased that there was such an Institution; it was a necessity in so large a city; it had done noble work in the past and would continue to do so. He was pleased to find it in such perfect condition, sanitary and otherwise.