

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL :

Gentlemen,—Nothing exceptional has occurred in school matters during the year, but steady routine work has been done and considerable progress has been made. The most noticeable improvement has been in penmanship and reading. I have in my mind just now the case of a lad taken off the streets over two years ago, who knew nothing—not even the alphabet—but who can now read anything ordinary and write his own letters. Nor is this instance a solitary one. Many young men are aided in life by a tolerable education, who but for this Institution would be continually struggling against the fearful odds that are ever arrayed against the hopelessly ignorant. Those who know how important to a young man are fixed moral habits and even a rudimentary education, will know how to estimate the value of an Institute doing such work as the Protestant Industrial School. The conduct of the boys has been excellent; and everything possible has been done by the Superintendent to facilitate the performance of the work assigned me.

I remain, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

W. J. KENNEDY.