

view to comfort, but also of economy, is that of a proper heating apparatus, by which a very great saving in fuel would be effected.

The attainment of this important measure must be dependent upon the future kindness of friends.

The state of the funds of the Society will be seen by the Treasurer's report. There, it will be found that, to complete the absolutely necessary repairs and additions, the Ladies have been obliged again to encroach on the fund for general purposes, to the amount of £38 18s. 8d., the Building Fund having been long since exhausted. It will also be seen that the amount received from annual subscriptions has not increased over the last year, and the amount of casual donations has greatly diminished.

Whilst on the subject of finances, the Directresses beg leave most earnestly to renew their appeal, not only to the benevolent in general, but particularly to the members of the Corporation, on the subject of the two most important sources of revenue—the Annual Subscriptions and Endowment. Members of the Institution are entreated to make known and urge the claims of the Orphan upon all who can afford, not only the sum which creates membership, but also upon all who can give any small amount *annually*. The young members of families, and children in particular will deem it a privilege to be permitted to contribute to a Charity expressly for *children* if properly invoked—thus early creating an interest in their young minds, which will naturally lead them, when their parents and friends, the present patrons, shall have passed away, to assume their places in the management and support of this useful Institution, whose wants they have thus relieved.

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