

parison with similar institutions elsewhere. The raw material we get is the worst in the city. We will take none other. But believing in the influence of order, industry and personal affection; of cleanliness, education and religion, we seek to prepare our boys for useful and honorable lives. We thank our friends who have sustained us in this work in the past, and ask them not to lose heart and interest. If any of them have spare sets of games with which the boys might occupy their spare hours; dominoes, drafts, a cippiboard, or such like, the Superintendent will thankfully receive them. Old pictorial books will also be useful—and in many other ways our friends can show their interest in us. We feel specially obliged to the Jubilee Sewing Circle, who keep up their work for the school with the old energy and liberality. In their work the honored name of Miss Cogswell is still preserved.

The committee desire to acknowledge again the gratuitous services of Dr. Slayter, Mr. Puttner, and of Mr. H. A. Taylor at whose store in Barrington street all orders for the school are left; the kindly and friendly notices of the press; the contributions in coal of Messrs. Archibald, Hoyt, and Hudson; and the Christmas and New Year's dinners sent by old friends. While the committee hail with pleasure the establishment of new charities in the city, they believe that the citizens of Halifax will never forget the paramount claims of the Industrial School.

Since the year closed, the committee learn with much gratification that the late N. L. West, Esq., has left a legacy of eight hundred dollars to the school. Now, that the mortgage on the premises has been paid, the committee hope to form a small endowment; and this handsome legacy may appropriately be a nucleus for such an endowment as shall ensure the permanency of the Institution.