

worked to the satisfaction of all parties. Upon this subject Mr. Higgins gives the following information:—"The Female Department has been in operation two quarters; the first quarter there were about thirty pupils in attendance, the second quarter about fifty. From the experience I have had it is my impression that there is nothing to prevent us from establishing a very successful and permanent Female Seminary here.—The union of the two Departments being altogether untried, requires, of course, time for arranging plans, &c., before every thing can be just as it should be,—but so far, it has exceeded my expectations. There has been less to annoy and call for rebuke and give trouble, than I expected. I am convinced that upon the whole, the influence both as to conduct and study is for good."

A word about expenses:—The limited time in which the Institution has been in operation prevents an accurate account of actual expenses. But the Committee feel assured that the entire expense will not exceed £20 per annum for each pupil. Such has been the sum already charged, and it may eventually fall below this. Music and Drawing are extra charges.

Thus at once we have secured facilities for Female Education unsurpassed in this Province, for all the privileges of the Horton Institution are open to the Female School at a rate that will bring this rich blessing to many parents who have long and anxiously wished to educate their daughters.

Regarded as an experiment, the six months' history of our Female School is a complete triumph. We now see most distinctly what may be done and what ought to be done. Miss Shaw, the Principal of the School, is a Graduate of Mount Holyoke. From her well-known talent, and education, and experience in teaching, the Committee place all confidence in her adaptation to the important position she is called to fill. Miss Anna Shaw is engaged as Assistant Teacher, and the Department of Music is under the care of Miss Lawrence. It may be important to remark, that the pupils seem happy in their domestic arrangements, and give a deep interest in their various studies.

At the time your Committee decided upon assuming this new responsibility, the large House now occupied was disengaged; its convenience and adaptedness for a large school at once attracted the attention of the Committee. The House was obtained at a rent of fifteen pounds per three months.—