

encouragement the management has are the letters received from girls after they leave, sometimes to take situations at a distance. These letters all speak in most affectionate terms of Miss Walker and Miss Bainard, and refer with thankfulness to the discipline they underwent, and the training they had received which enabled them to become good and useful members of the community.

The good health of the girls, maintained during the entire number of years that the school has been in existence, has been a matter of surprise and a cause for deep thankfulness. When diphtheria and scarlet fever raged in the city causing the closing of most of the public schools, not a single case occurred at the Alexandra School, principally because the two great enemies to all disease, viz., cleanliness and abundance of fresh air, held sway. The room set apart as a hospital never receives an inmate; how many of these children would have thus escaped had they been prowling about the slums where so many of them came from?

It is to be regretted that it is no longer possible to have the girls represented at these meetings by some of their number. Nor is it possible to have a display of their cooking and needlework. The experiment has been found too difficult of accomplishment, the distance between the two schools is so great, and very often the weather at this season proves very inclement. It is also to be regretted that there is no room at the Alexandra School sufficiently large for such a gathering as this, therefore all the Ladies' Executive Committee are able to do is to invite the good friends to come singly or in small detachments, and see for themselves the work being done.

The Superintendent and Matron are worthy of all commendation, not only for their unwearying care of the girls under their charge, but also for the economical way in which they have run the institution. How they have managed it is a puzzle to every one. We would advise friends to examine carefully the Treasurer's Annual Report. They will find plenty to admire and praise.

The garden under Mr. Waites' care has done wonders, yielding vegetables in abundance for the school, and fodder sufficient for the horse and cow has been raised off the place. Those who know what an unpromising place it was when Mr. Waites took hold of it less than two years ago, will understand what an amount of attention and skill must have been expended upon it. Surely