

we are having ; it is so cold we can scarcely go out, and I had to stay home from school, but I have got the suit my 'boss' promised me if I passed at the examination. I would have written sooner, but my 'boss' was in Toronto a month ago, and he intended to go and see you, only he had not time ; he intended going again at Christmas and said he would take me, only Mrs. R. was ill, and we could not go, so I thought I would write and tell you. My father used to live in Toronto, but I do not know where he is now. Please tell the boys I am going for a sleigh ride on Christmas. Your sincere friend, T."

The Managers are glad to be able to report, that no death or serious case of sickness has occurred during the year. One boy was hurt by an explosion of fireworks in the Gardens on the evening of Dominion Day. Dr. Aikens very kindly attended to him at first, after which he was under the care of our good friend Dr. Thorburn, until quite recovered. As a precaution, owing to the prevalence of small pox in other places, the boys have all been vaccinated. This, of course, necessitated more frequent calls upon the valuable time of Dr. Thorburn, but as in the past, his services were most cheerfully given. This treatment also gave the matron, Mrs. Munro, and her kind assistant Miss McKay, extra care, and nursing ; and the Managers again express their continued appreciation of their faithful services. Dr. Thorburn will add his report.

The Managers had occasion again, during the summer, to extend hospitality to the stranger, in admitting the boys Mr. J. C. Fegan brought across the Atlantic from his "Boys' Home," Southwark, London, England, who remained until the places to which they were going, in the North-West, were ready. The extra expenses incurred were again generously defrayed by Mr. W. Gooderham, who still continues to take a warm interest in the institution, and in the welfare of the boys he has also generously given the full equipment for a fife and drum band of twenty performers, and provided a band instructor, Mr. J. McNeil.