

The Board acknowledges with gratitude a grant of \$500 from the Provincial Government, without which it would have been impossible to commence the work of the Home on so large a scale.

The hope is strongly entertained by the Board that before its next annual meeting this Home will be placed on a permanent basis, both on account of the growing need for such an institution in the city of Winnipeg, and also that Miss Fowler, before leaving the work may have some tangible result of her generous effort.

It was hoped by those in charge of the scheme that about the Home as a centre, other institutions would grow up, having as their object the intellectual, moral and social good of all the girls in the city earning their own living, as for instance: A school of Domestic Science, and classes for the instruction in other departments of knowledge. But it was felt that this further work should grow up naturally about the Home, and that the beginning should be made in a small way. Now that a young Women's Christian Association has been formed in the city, part of this work will probably be taken up by them.

The Advisory Board waited on the Hon. Mr. Sifton with a petition to reduce the inland rates, and also to further immigration by letting them have assistance from his agents in England and Scotland, and if possible to give the Association a travelling matron. He gave them great encouragement, and promised them assistance if possible.

The Home could have any number of girls if their passage could be prepaid, but with the exception of three or four cases the Board have always declined, feeling it was too much risk, as they knew nothing of the girls.

The Board desire to give thanks to the following ladies, for useful and valuable gifts to the Home. They are Mesdames Ewart, Galt, Kirkland, Douglas, Dwight and Miss Bain.

Also to the press of the city, and to Mr. Walsh for use of telephone; to Water Works Co., per Mr. Bissett; to Royal