

REPORT OF METHODIST ORPHANAGE.

The Rev. G. J. Bond reported on behalf of the Executors of the will of the late Hon. C. R. Ayre, the bequest of \$14,000 for the founding of a Methodist Orphanage. This bequest was left to the Conference.

Also 2 houses, the rents, issues, and profits of which, after the demise of the present legatee, are to be applied to the support of said Orphanage.

The present Orphanage has been managed during the year by a Committee appointed by the Constitution, for the purpose. Eight orphans have been in residence, one of whom died of diphtheria, which attacked all the children, save one. At the commencement the orphans were received into a small house in Alexander Street, but removed, on the first outbreak of diphtheria to a most eligibly situated country cottage capable of containing 30 children, which will probably be sufficiently commodious to receive all orphans until the proposed Orphanage be built.

Resolved,—That the Conference be asked to suitably acknowledge the handsome legacy of Hon. C. R. Ayre.

Also,—That the Conference kindly acknowledge the kindness of Dr. Tait, for his gratuitous medical services, to the orphans during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

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