

PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME.

The forty-third annual meeting of the Protestant Orphans' Home, Dovercourt, Road, was held yesterday afternoon, and the large assembly room of the building was filled to the doors.

Mayor Kennedy presided, and among those present were Mr. J. K. Macdonald, Rev. Dr. H. W. Davies, Rev. C. H. Mockridge, D.D., Rev. Dr. Burns, Rev. Anthony Hart, Dr. Hunter, Dr. Awde, Major Leigh, Mr. J. J. Kelso, and Mr. Huson Murray. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. Davies. The children, who were tastefully dressed and arranged on the platform, then gave a part song, which was well received.

The Secretary, Mrs. Leigh, then read the annual report of the Lady Managers. During the year the Home was free from sickness. The number of children admitted since June last was 99, as follows:—Boys 51, girls 48. As far as could be ascertained, they were all from the city and province with the exception of three born in the United States. According to religious denominations they were classified as follows:—Anglican 61, Presbyterian 10, Methodist 16, Baptist 10, and two Protestants not otherwise specified. The average number of children each month was 194, and the average number of inmates 204. The number discharged from the institution was 84. Of this number 60 children were taken out by relatives, and 14 were apprenticed. A paragraph in the report expressed warm thanks to the Government for appointing a Superintendent of neglected children for Ontario. Another paragraph stated that the late Secretary was now the wife of the Belgian Consul at Brooklyn, Mrs. Mali. Reference was made to donations received. The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read by Major Leigh.

The statement of the treasurer, Mrs. R. L. Cowan, showed that there was a balance last year of \$614.27. The receipts during the year were \$9,634.48. The expenditure was \$8,556.16, leaving a balance on hand of \$1,692.59.