

THE BLIND CLASS.

Five boys entered at the beginning of the session. One was sent home again, being too young and helpless to remain at school, under existing circumstances. The establishment of a Kindergarten class would enable us to take in the comparatively large number of 5 year old children (all except one to the deaf department) applying for admission.

The usual course of study was pursued with the blind, all doing well. Two of the boys were given the opportunity of piano tuning, one of whom will, in time, become expert in this branch. Chair-caning and other easy branches of handicraft also served to train their hands and to fit them to learn something more difficult and profitable in the future.

DRAWING CLASS.

Fourteen pupils received instruction and made satisfactory progress.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

No better tribute to the efforts of the Rev. J. A. Newnham, M.A. and the Rev. John MacGillivray, B.D. can be paid than to say that the conduct of the pupils has been all that could be desired. Their frequent visits and friendly intercourse with the pupils have been of invaluable help to us in their religious and moral training. We are also indebted to the students of the Presbyterian, Congregational and Episcopal Theological Colleges for conducting the regular Sunday services.

The influence of these latter services has extended to the comparatively few Protestant deaf-mutes living in our city, all of whom have gladly availed themselves of our invitation to be present.

TRADES.

Cabinet-making and carpentry continue to be taught with success, 8 boys ranging from 12 to 18 years of age comprised the class, and made good progress. Wood-carving was taught to a limited extent, but in future with our better facilities more attention will be given to this branch.

PRINTING.

Good work was done in the printing office, the boys under instruction having accomplished creditable