

general supervision of the work, is the other character of management. Now it was in distinct repudiation of the first of these and in distinct subordination to the second of these that this Home was organized and has been carried on. This distinctive character of management was the designed basis, and no one is in a position to state this more authoritatively than the writer. This is explicit and needs to be noted. Out of a membership of six gentlemen and fifty-six gentlemen, we are not aware that any one is dissatisfied; and, if not these, who else have title to proffer dictation of who shall be Matron and what the work of the Home. We must again be explicit. The old Home, under the sole management of Mr. Davidson, with Miss Veitch as Matron, existed and did good for years. So also after Mr. Davidson left Canada, under the management alone of Mr. Vennor, with Miss Veitch as Matron, though there were difficulties and prejudices and hostilities—though never a public attack—as there have been against this Home. But those difficulties and other circumstances led to its being given over to a large Committee of ladies, and that Home soon after came to a close. Thus experience has imposed its lessons upon us. For more than two years there was no open door, until, upon solicitation for funds wherewith to obtain a building, there was bestowed what was needed upon the understanding that personal management would be bestowed. This building was the result, which stands in the name of Messrs. Claxton and Taylor for behalf of the Home, without debt, and with investment of \$3000, there being, however, in current account a balance of \$381.03 against the Society. There has been anxious desire to fulfil this obligation. The character of management thus adduced of course implies and requires a gentleman and lady in immediate authority, possessed of common honesty and common sense, and possessing, in some fair measure, the confidence of the general public, and the respect of such competent Matron as should be in charge of the Home. Such matron is understood to be in charge much as a jailor, or warden or shipcaptain is in charge, under authority, and yet possessing acknowledged personal authority. But this Home is not a prison, nor a penitentiary, nor a ship at sea; nor are its inmates idiots or infants, but