The first Board meeting held in the new Home was on September 4th, 1865. Hitherto the meetings had been held in the session-room of St. Andrew's Church. The family, consisting of the matron, Miss Janet Lillicoe, and one child, went into residence about September 14th. The name of the first boy was Thos. McDowell, brother of "Copper Johnnie," already referred to; the first girl was Elizabeth Biggars.

About this time, the Home sustained a severe loss by the death of Dr. C. S. Sewell, which occurred October 24th, 1865. He had been one of the most devoted friends of the institution, and had done much to further its interests. He only lived long enough to see the Home opened and its work fairly commenced. At a special meeting, held Friday, October 27th, the following resolutions were adopted, "with due feeling and solemnity":

"Whereas,—Dr. Sewell, one of the principal originators, as well as a constant friend and benefactor of the institution over which he presided, has been removed by death; and whereas we, either individually or officially, do sustain a most grievous loss in being thus deprived of a friend, adviser, and physician, therefore

"Resolved,—That we, the officers and Board of Managers of the Orphans' Home, do most deeply lament the death of Dr. Sewell, and

"Resolved,—That we, the representatives of the cause and institution of which he was so devoted an advocate, do publicly express our grief for the loss, and respect for the person of, the deceased, by attending the funeral service, to be held at Christ Church, at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and