THE FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

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PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME.

The Lady Managers have much pleasure in presenting their Annual Report to the public, containing the statistics of the Home.

Before entering on the subject of the children, they would like to say, that owing to an article having appeared in one of the papers, about the cost of maintenance not being the same in the reports to the City and the Government; the matter was fully explained by the Solicitor, Mr. Huson Murray, in the most satisfactory manner, and letters were received saying, "I am sure no one has any doubt that your books are all right," and "the City are perfectly satisfied with the statement."

Number of children admitted during the year, 99. Boys, 66; Girls, 33.

From the City, 76; other places, Edinburgh, 1; England, 4; Goodwood, 2: Clinton, 2; Connecticut, 2; Niagara, 1; Trenton, 1; not designated, 9.

By religious denomination:—Church of England, 58; Presbyterian, 2; Methodist, 12: Baptist, 2; Congregationalist, 4; Lutheran, 4; other Protestants, 17.

Number of children discharged, 110. Boys, 64; Girls, 46. Of these, there were taken by relatives, 73—boys, 42; girls 31. Apprenticed, 24—boys, 15; girls, 9. Died after measles, one boy aged five years. One boy, subject to fits, was sent to Orillia. Two boys were sent to the Shelter. One boy went away without leave. Three girls have gone to service. One boy and 4 little girls were adopted. Average number of children, 194 3-12; average of inmates, 207 4-12. A number of children had the measles in a mild form, otherwise the health of the inmates of the Home has been very good; a few cases only having been sent to the Sick Children's Hospital, the Isolation and the new Western Hospital.

A special arrangement has been made with the latter to take and treat all cases, except infectious ones, for the consideration of \$400 annually. The agreement to last for one year only, until the Managers see if it is satisfactory.