

the Home. Several of the women have remained in the Home, and have nursed, besides their own children, 3 or 4 others in succession.

The difficulty of getting wet-nurses is still very great, but less than it was, for the Home is better understood, so that destitute respectable married women are more willing to avail themselves of its protection, and give the services so much required.

We still occupy the house No. 9 Notre Dame street, but it is far from being suitable; for such a large number of children, the accommodation is too limited, and the means for ventilating and heating are very imperfect. The house has been again leased for two years, and the attic will require to be enclosed and divided into rooms to provide extra accommodation for the increased number of infants.

We would anew urge upon our friends the absolute necessity for a more commodious building, if the work is to be successfully carried on.

The funds for maintaining the Home during the past twelve months have been raised in various ways. The ladies have again collected in districts, by which a considerable sum has been realized. In April, a Bazaar was held, the proceeds of which amounted to \$1441. Several kind friends unsolicited sent in donations, and a large sum was collected by our President. We have received a grant of \$460 from the Quebec Legislature; and collections have been received from a few of the Protestant churches of this city. In the Treasurer's report, a full statement of the income and expenditure will be given.

The Committee would take this opportunity of expressing the gratification afforded them by the visit of Lady Dufferin to the Home, and they hope that her example will be followed by many others. They feel convinced that the more thoroughly the working is understood, the better will it be appreciated. The Home is open to visitors every day after ten o'clock, and the Committee are anxious that the public should go and judge for themselves as to its management. They are more and more convinced of the necessity for such