

which the resources of the Home have been materially assisted. For these and all such favours, the Lady Managers beg to return their most earnest thanks, and if they now omit the names of these contributors, they hope that these persons will not attribute their silence to indifference, but to the limited space, which their Annual Report must necessarily occupy.

The Lady Managers feel much pleasure in announcing that the amount from Annual Subscriptions is still increasing. They have further to state, that a sum of money in addition to the Annual Grant of £200, was applied for to the Government, they regret to say without success; the Annual Grant, however, of £200, is included in the Parliamentary Estimates, now before Parliament, and it is to be hoped that this sum will be available for the expenses of the ensuing year.

The Lady Managers have not yet been able to complete the negotiation with the Government, respecting the two acres of land, to be given as an equivalent for the one acre on Victoria Square, surrendered to the Crown; but they feel satisfied that such an arrangement will only require time for its completion.

The Lady Managers were in expectation, that during their year of office, the offer made by Dr. Rees, and referred to in the three previous Reports, would have been realized, namely, that when the Corporation of this City purchased a lot of land, lying between Queen Street and St. Andrew's Market, the purchase money would be handed over to the Institution. This purchase was effected in November last. Dr. Rees however said, that he was not then in a position to fulfil his promise, but subsequently offered as an equivalent for the £370 purchase money, Stock at par to that amount in the Provincial Insurance Company. The Lady Managers were reluctantly compelled to decline this offer, because by accepting it they would involve themselves in a responsibility to a great extent. Dr. Rees has since written to Dr. Lett, to the following effect, viz: "that he has instructed his Solicitor, J. Hurd, Esquire, to execute a formal or legal instrument, containing full guarantees, to the Trustees of the Orphans' Home

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