

## Report of the Board of Management.

### *To the Governors of the Industrial School Association.*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—In presenting their Ninth Annual Report your Board of Management would gratefully acknowledge the goodness of a kind Providence for the success that has attended the work in both schools during the past year.

The Alexandra school for girls has in attendance at the present time twenty-four girls. Since it was organized there have been forty-five girls present. The report of those who have been sent out is very encouraging.

The Victoria Industrial School has in attendance now 186 boys. The number at last report was 195. There have been received at the school since its organization 466 boys. Of the boys sent out from the school about 84 per cent. are reported as doing well. Nearly every boy that has been placed with farmers, and thus removed from the temptations of city and town life, have turned out well. The report of some of the boys that have been returned to the city is not so favorable. The influence of old companions and associates, and the many temptations of the city, have been too strong, and it is to be regretted they have returned to former bad habits. It is hoped however that the school influence and training, will some day cause those, like the prodigal son, to arise and return to their Father's house.

Notwithstanding the discouragements in this way, and the difficulties that arise in the management and training the class of boys in the school, your Board feels that the school is carrying out the purpose for which it was established—the saving of boys who are drifting astray and making them good and respectable citizens.

During the year an addition to the green-house was made, at a cost of \$950.00. This will help to provide employment for a few more boys and we hope also be a source of profit.

The Howland Memorial and Gymnasium, the corner stone of which was laid a year ago, will, it is hoped, be so far completed as to afford a shelter for the boys during the coming winter. For his building there has been raised \$1594. To this sum Mr.