

**SAMPLE CASES.**

**Case 282.**—The illustration in this case, which appeared in our third annual report, is inserted in this one in order to show the contrast between the little girl in that picture indicated thus \* and the child as she appears to-day. She has been in the care of the Society ever since that day in 1894 when she, with the five others, was rescued from the horrors of the Lace baby farm. While the child is now much brighter and healthier than she was on the day mentioned, still she is mentally weak and not fitted for a foster home. Though the Society's business is to provide only temporary shelter for dependent children, yet it has had to keep this child in the Shelter this length of time, because there is no Government institution to which she can be sent. There are two or three somewhat similar cases in the Society's care.

**Case 1495.**—Was that of a little girl, three years old, whose mother had got into bad ways and would not stay at home. The father professed to love the child, but did nothing to show his affection. The case was brought before the Magistrate, who gave the mother a chance to reform. When it was found that the mother did not improve, the case was again brought before the Magistrate, and the child was made a ward of the Society, and is now in a good home.

**Cases 2111, 2194, 2331, 2346 and 2432.**—All have representatives in the group picture of the second Manitoba and Assiniboia party on another page of this report, and a short history of each case follows :

A. is the son of a widow who became incapacitated through rheumatism and was fast losing control of the boy. When shown that there was a good chance for him in the Northwest, she consented to surrender him to the Society, and he is now in one of the best foster homes it has been the good fortune of the Society to provide for any of its wards.

B. is a boy of fifteen, who was picked up as a vagrant and remanded by the Police Magistrate to the Shelter from week to week. He gave an address as that of his parents in Montreal, and described the steamboat dock at which, he said, his father worked; but all efforts to trace his friends proved futile, and he finally consented to go to Assiniboia. To make him legally a foster-child of the man to whom he went, it was necessary—as he was over fourteen years of age—for him to sign the adoption papers with his foster-parents. This he did