

REPORT.

In presenting to the subscribers and friends of the **REFUGE FOR PENITENT WOMEN** a report of its work from 1st November, 1867, to 1st November, 1868, I would express my thanks to God for the support received and the measure of success obtained. During this year 10 persons have been admitted, of whom 3 are now married, 2 in service, 1 returned to her former life, 2 in the Home, and 2 sent to the poor-house. An inmate of the Refuge previous to the 1st of November has been married, so that since the work commenced under my superintendence the number received has been 11.

The means used for the improvement of the inmates have been the following:—

1st.—Regular visits and religious instruction, in which, both in private conversation and in explaining the Word of God, I have showed them the willingness of our Saviour to pardon and bless them, and urged them to trust in Him,—and pointed out to them how they might regain their characters, and become useful members of society, promising them that those who take an interest in them would, if they by God's grace truly reformed, use every effort to obtain them employment in the country.

2nd.—The inmates have been visited by a committee of ladies, who thus strive to benefit them.

3rd.—They have family prayer, and are instructed in reading at the Refuge, and regularly attend the Three-Mile House Church. The Ladies' Committee have expressed their satisfaction at the progress which some of the inmates have made in sewing, and with the kindness and attention to her duties of the Matron, Mrs. Magarrel. I have also been much pleased to see the interest Mrs. Magarrel has shewn in her work, and the efforts she makes to discharge the difficult duties of her office as Matron.

Under her superintendence 96 articles have been made for the use of the Refuge, and a large number for sale.