

The Girls' Home.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

DEAR FRIENDS,—We welcome you to this, our thirty-seventh anniversary, in the history of our home.

About 1854 a few thoughtful women met together and conceived the idea that much good could be done with young girls if they could be removed from their evil surroundings and placed where they could be trained to habits of industry and economy. Their untiring zealous efforts were appreciated, for, in 1863, this work became a recognized chartered institution.

During the early years of its existence there was much anxiety and varying efforts to make the small penny subscriptions meet the demands of the great field of labor.

The good done, however, has been acknowledged, and larger subscriptions and donations have enabled the management to secure this commodious Home, and to surround its inmates with influences and occupations that will fit them for courageously and honestly fighting the battle of life.

The Directresses and Managers feel very grateful to the generous minded friends of the Home, for their sympathy, encouragement and material aid.

They feel their responsibility, and they trust the All Wise God will guide them in doing what is best for the continued successful operating of the facilities placed in their hands by a generous, trusting public, and earnestly pray that they may have grace to use their opportunities of usefulness for God's own glory.

It is a source of encouragement to know that during the past ten years no less than 560 children have been kindly cared for, that many of them are now holding useful, responsible positions, and that not a few of them have given bright glimpses of an inner life, which is the blessing and re-