THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE MANAGERS'OF

THE PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME AND FEMALE AID SOCIETY.

In presenting this their Annual Report, the Lady Managers of the Protestant Orphans' Home and Female Aid Society of Toronto desire to express their gratitude to Almighty God for the many blessings enjoyed by the inmates of this institution during the present year.

During the year there has been as many as one hundred and three inmates in the institution at one time. Twenty-five have been admitted, sixteen have been apprenticed, twenty-two have been taken by their parents, and one ran away. There are at present in the "Home" seventy-one children—twenty-seven girls and forty-four boys.

In the month of August typhoid fever visited the Home and twenty children were attacked by this prevalent disease. Through God's blessing, all recovered from the disease, but many remained delicate: and in December, when measles made its appearance, four little boys died; three named Hawkins, who had been the first and greatest sufferers by the fever, and one poor little fellow named Brockwell, who had always been in ill-health since his entrance into the institution. All these little sufferers were attended with untiring patience, and a mother's tender care, night and day for many weeks by the nurse, Mrs. Wilson, who declined having a hired nurse to assist her in her arduous task.

The infirmary, of which mention was made in the last report as absolutely necessary, in order to prevent infectious diseases spreading, has been, through the kindness of friends of this institution, completed. It is attached to the east end of the building, and contains four wards, besides bath-rooms, &c. The connection between it and the main building is by a door in the basement in order to prevent contagion.

The ladies desire to express their appreciation of Dr. Ogden's kindness and attention to the inmates of the Home, and their thanks to him for the same.