

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
NEWSBOYS' LODGING AND INDUSTRIAL
HOME.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1888.

The Managers of the Newsboys' Lodging and Industrial Home, anew present their report at the close of another year's work. Much of the success of an Institution of this class depends on the capacity and zeal of the resident Superintendent and Matron, and the Managers are happy in being able to report their continued satisfaction with the services rendered both by Mr. and Mrs. Barnett in this capacity. Mr. Barnett has exerted himself with considerable success in the important work of getting the older boys into permanent employment, while, with a due mixture of firmness and kindly sympathy, he has directed his best efforts to the still more difficult work of reclaiming fresh entrants from the reckless habits of vagrancy, inevitable in the life from which it is the object of this Institution to rescue them.

INMATES OF THE HOME.

The two classes of inmates of the Newsboys' Lodging here referred to are, in part, only different stages in the experience of the street boy, though the Institution is also turned to account in the inclement winter months by casual wanderers, who, after obtaining shelter for a few nights, are lost sight of, or drift back again to the Lodging, after fruitless efforts at maintaining themselves on the street. To the confirmed vagrant the restraint of a well-ordered home are necessarily distasteful; and when for a short period after the death of the late