

REPORT.

In 1874 our new Industrial School was built, and we moved two miles out of town into it. We have had since that date accommodation for one hundred boys, whereas formerly only about one-third of the number could be accommodated. The following table shows that we have not been over anxious for inmates :

No. Boys in School	Dec. 31, 1870.....	43
“ “ “	1871.....	50
“ “ “	1872.....	47
“ “ “	1873.....	52
“ “ “	1874.....	41

We have more reasons than one for not letting the number of boys exceed fifty, and have explained these reasons fully in former reports. At present we are under our usual average, because more boys have gone out in 1874 than in any previous year. In the four preceding years, fifty-eight in all left the school, or an average of nearly fifteen per year. In 1874, however, twenty-two left—making up eighty in five years. Of the twenty-two who went last, ten are now working at trades learned in the school, and five are employed at other work; two are at places in the country; three are with their parents, and concerning two we have no satisfactory account. Fifteen of the twenty-two were allowed to leave because their sentences or indentures had expired; one was specially pardoned by the Governor-General; and two were stranger lads, who had been taken in only temporarily; three were removed by their parents; and one ran away. These statistics are interesting, as showing the good work that the institution is doing with a class of boys acknowledged to be the most reckless and dangerous in the community; for none are received by us except from the Police Court, or because parents or guardians can do nothing with them. The proportion of those that turn out well shows that circumstances, more than