

In a note dated October 24th, 1898, addressed to the Board of Managers, the Secretary of the Orphans' Home School Teachers' Association, says "It was agreed to send to your Board an expression of satisfaction with the general tidiness of the children's clothing and persons, also the regularity of their attendance at school this Session."

Of the children who are still wards of the Home, but who are apprenticed to employers in various parts of the Province, the accounts are usually very satisfactory. It is with sincere pleasure that the Managers receive such testimony as the following:—

"You asked if M. was well, and doing well. He is both, I don't think you would know him; he is a great big fellow, getting almost 100 lbs.; and very reliable." and this from the employer of one of our girls who has just completed her term of apprenticeship, is good to hear: "E. has been a good girl; I could not speak too highly of her, she is worthy of it all. The children are fond of her like their own; I took good care of her as my own child. She was kind to me. She will stay another year with me."

It occasionally happens also that people whose homes have not been blessed by the presence of a little child, come to the Orphans' Home in search of one to supply the want that they feel in their lives. From one who some years ago thus took a little girl to adopt as her own child, the following account has been received:

"I am pleased to report that she has proven in every respect perfectly satisfactory. We are all delighted with our dear little girl; she has grown to be a lovely child."

Gratitude has been unkindly described as "a lively sense of favours to come." So the Lady Managers, while gratefully acknowledging the various benefits and kindnesses received from many good friends of the Home, confidently hope for a continuance of the same.

The Treasurer's report will be found to contain an account of bequests to the Institution, and of donations received from time to time from Societies and individuals. Many gifts in kind have been sent to the Home, and treats provided for the children, both at Christmas and at other times during the year. Special mention may be made of Mrs. Carlyle's annual treat of ice cream, in July; and of an invitation, in the same month, from Mr. D. Lorsch to the older children, to spend a morning in riding his bicycles, which gave great pleasure. Mrs. Heintzman gave the children a strawberry treat, in June; and Mrs. Revell provided a very interesting entertainment, consisting of songs and readings, with lime light pictures, in February.

There was the usual free admission for the older children, to the Fair, in September: and an invitation was received from the Minister of Education, in February, for them to visit the Museum