

THE GIRLS' HOME.

THIRY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

In reviewing the history of the Girls' Home during the past year, we feel that a decided advance has been made, and that the Institution is on a firmer basis, and in better running order than ever before.

It will no doubt be as great gratification to the subscribers as it is to the Managers, to know that the troublesome scalp disease, to which we have had occasion to refer on former occasions, is now completely eradicated. The money so graciously given by the City Council for the support of the branch Hospital, for the isolation of the infected children, which proved quite adequate when the house was filled with patients, was not sufficient for expenses as the number of inmates kept lessening ; so it was decided at the beginning of last October, to bring the few still remaining back to the Home, using special precautions, and keeping them strictly isolated from the other children. Mrs. Bowers, to whose faithful care the present happy state of affairs is largely due, has now taken the position of seamstress here. Dr. Graham and Dr. Caven have been assiduous in their exertions with this troublesome malady, and will, we feel sure, rejoice with us that the struggle is now ended, and has resulted so successfully.

Last January there were in all eighty-seven children being cared for, and sixty-seven were received during the year, making in all one hundred and seventy-four. Of this number twenty-one have been sent to service, thirteen of whom still occupy the homes provided for them ; thirty-seven have been taken by relatives or friends, one has gone to the Boys' Home, two are in the Hospital for Sick Children, and one has died, leaving ninety-two children under the protection of the Institution on the first of January, 1890.