

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Sacred Heart Orphan Asylum,

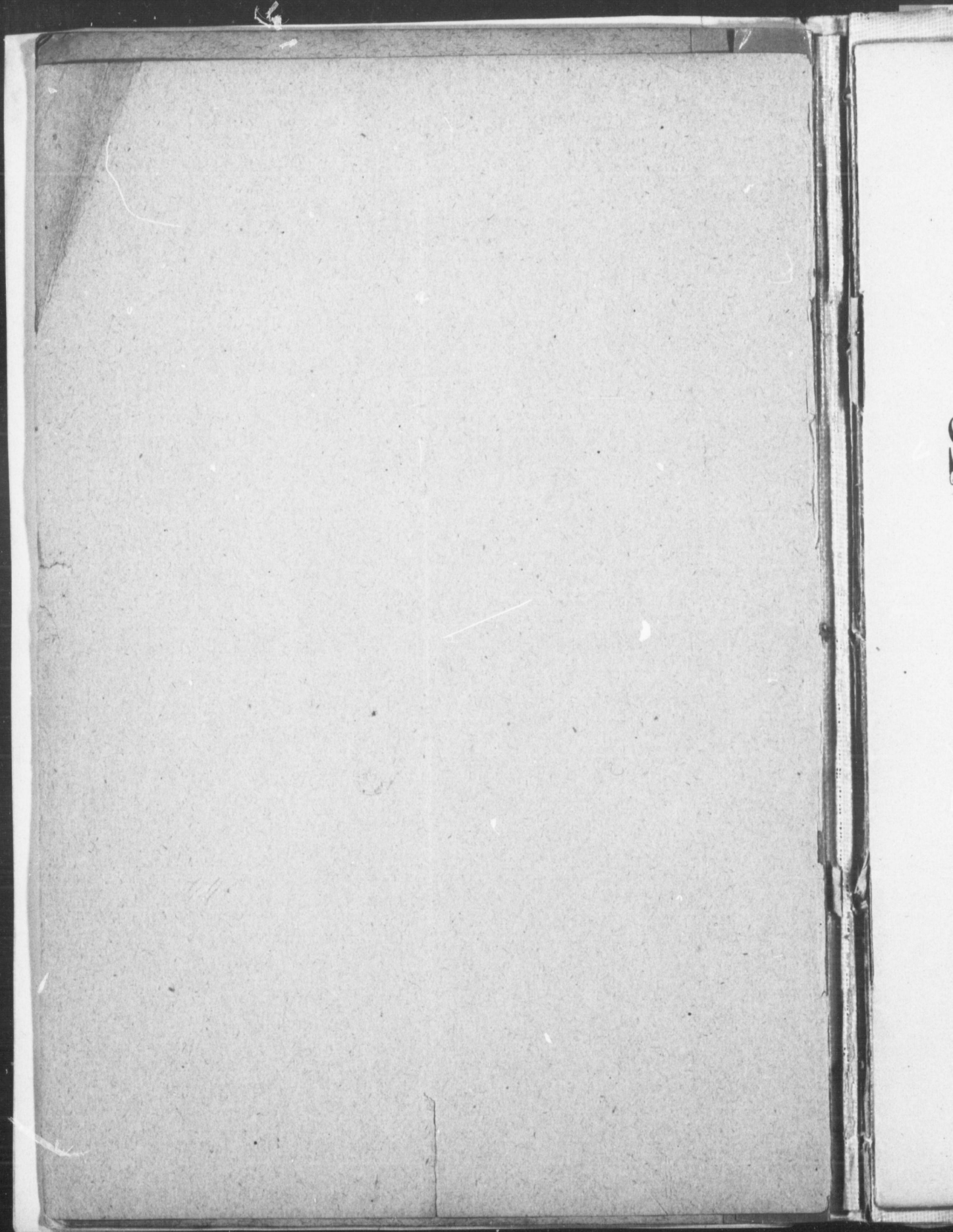
FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

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REPORT OF THE SACRED HEART ORPHAN ASYLUM,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING NOV. 30, 1892.

	BOYS.	GIRLS.	TOTAL.
In residence, Nov. 30, 1891.....	150	131	281
Received during the year	96	70	166
			447
Left during the year	78	71	149
Died..	2	2
Remaining in the House	168	128	296
			447

The above statement will show the number of destitute children that have been provided for during the past year. There were in residence at the beginning of the year 281, and remaining in the Institution now there are 296. The movements during the year indicate that 149 left; some of these were adopted in good families, who were highly recommended by responsible parties when not personally known; others were taken by their friends or went to work at trades or to service. As far as possible, the Sisters continue to watch over those who have left their care, and encourage them to visit their old home, where they are warmly welcomed, and stimulated to be faithful to their temporal as well as spiritual duties. Though so many have gone, yet there are about three hundred in the Institution, the greater number of them ranging from five to ten years.

Before and after class hours the girls are instructed in the culinary department, and also in sweeping, dusting, sewing, knitting, etc., thus affording them knowledge to earn a livelihood.

The boys are not forgotten, as to go into their workroom this morning would find five or six little lads of ten or eleven summers at the knitting or sewing machines, while others are busily engaged threading their needles to baste or fasten on buttons. It is needless to say that the Sisters endeavor to make the Orphan Asylum a home in every sense of the word, to those entrusted to their charge; and, to judge from the bright and smiling faces of the little ones, they amply succeed.

The five class-rooms are large, airy and comfortable; so also is the kindergarten, where the little tots with tiny fingers are weaving paper into fancy mats, or making houses from blocks with as much earnestness as an artist over a plan for a fine structure; then the pupils of the junior classes first and second books—are intelligent looking, and as far advanced as any other of the same grade; the boys and girls of the senior classes are taught the fourth form, and given a good religious and practical education.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

Balance	\$	30	00
Government Grant		2,110	40
City grant		600	00
Board		661	75
Proceeds of Festival		796	99
Offertory Collection		932	90
Bequests		1,900	00
Donations		1,042	80
Collected in Archdiocese		1,872	73
Value of Provisions Donated		2,200	00
Other sources		327	80
Balance		66	72
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		\$12,542	09

EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

Food of all kinds, including Provisions donated. \$	6,706	94
Clothing, including Boots and Shoes	1,731	73
Salaries	578	00
Medicine	131	00
Telephone	35	00
Water Rate	154	00
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Carried forward	\$9,336	67

Brought forward	\$9,336 67
Car Fare, Travelling, etc.....	63 70
Stationery	83 80
Coal	1,183 67
Gas, Coal Oil, etc.....	130 50
Hay and Oats	396 00
Furniture, Bedding, etc.....	425 00
Oven.....	150 00
Plumbing and Repairing	670 70
Other expenses	102 05
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	\$12,542 09

LIABILITIES.

Clothing	\$ 230 00
Fuel.....	500 00
Groceries and Provisions	375 90
Flour	260 10
Sundries.....	76 00
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	\$1,442 00

The foregoing receipts show how the Institution is supported—the grant of \$2,110.40 from the Government amounts to two cents per day for each child; and the City allowance, \$600.00, is less than four cents for the maintenance of each during the space of a week. The remaining acknowledgments, as may be perceived, are the fruits of Christian charity, that bloom during the winter's frost as well as the summer's heat, and whose blossoms and perfumes are so brilliant and delicious that their enjoyment is retained for eternity. The increased number, since the removal of the girls from the House of Providence, requires a larger income, so that the Orphan Asylum is now given the entire Offertory collection from the City parishes as well as the country subscriptions. Clothing is, indeed, most acceptable, and saves many a dollar to the Institution, as it is all made over to great advantage.

The Sisters cordially thank their kind bynefactors, and pray the Father of the orphan to reward them a hundred fold.

The liberality of those who live outside of the city is, indeed, worthy of special mention, as there is no claim on their generosity save love of God's destitute little ones.

The bakers, grocers and butchers of St. Lawrence Market, Spadina avenue, King, Queen and Yonge streets, attest their interest in the Institution by weekly offerings.

Sincere thanks are tendered Mr. Thos. Davis for a very enjoyable trip given the children; the Street Railway Company for accommodating them on two different occasions; also to the Press for kind comments of the Asylum.

Indebtedness is due Drs. McKenna, McMahan, McKeown and McDonagh, for medical aid and dentistry.

Another source of thankfulness, and one of the greatest, as it cost not alone money but time and anxiety, was the painstaking efforts displayed by the ladies and gentlemen who got up the Festival in August, as well as those who hearkened to charity's call in giving the use of the Pavilion and gas for the benefit.

COLLECTED IN ARCHDIOCESE.

The Sisters, while on their collecting tours, may have omitted from their lists the names of some of the kind contributors. This possible neglect may have occurred because there has been, in late years, no yearly report issued by the Orphanage of the Sacred Heart. In future, however, more care will be observed, and the names of all contributors will appear in the yearly returns, which will be forwarded to the different parishes in which collections have been made. No names are published for sums less than one dollar, the fractional parts of that amount being given in bulk.

ST. CATHARINES.			
Capt. King	\$ 25 00	Mrs. Coyle	\$2 00
Mr. E. McArdle	25 00	Messrs John McKeown...	2 00
Capt. Larkin	20 00	J C Fraser	2 00
Messrs Wm. Ahearn	20 00	M Brennan	2 00
McIlloy Bros	15 00	Philip J. Rice.....	2 00
McLaren & Co	5 00	M. Y Keating.....	2 00
L. Bissonnette	5 00	Mrs McCallum	2 00
Jas. D. Tait Co.....	5 00	Messrs Mahar.....	2 00
Carlisle Bros. & Co	5 00	Wm McIlwain	2 00
Thos Nihan	5 00	M. J Flynn	2 00
M. Dunn.....	5 00	Oak Hall	2 00
M. O'Keefe.....	5 00	Mrs Beggy.....	2 00
Mrs. Scott	4 00	Mrs. Kearance.....	2 00
		Messrs. Shuhan	2 00

Mrs. McGuire	\$1 00	Mrs. Hunt	\$1 00
Mrs. Finitly	1 00	“ Flynn	1 00
Miss Byrne	1 00	“ O'Neill	1 00
M. Beatty	1 00	Mr. Brown	1 00
W. A. Copeland	1 00	Mrs. Casey	1 00
Mr. Dawson	1 00	Messrs. D. Deary	1 00
F. F. Telfer	1 00	J. Y. Guhger	1 00
V. J. Hauley	1 00	J. S. McDonagh	1 00
Mr. Beggy	1 00	Mrs. Derrn	1 00
Miss Murphy	1 00	Mr. Wise	1 00
Messrs. Rowland	1 00	Mrs. Sims	1 00
M. Rule	1 00	Mr. Shell	1 00
J. H. Duncan	1 00	“ Heck	1 00
C. Cameron	1 00	Dr. McGarry	1 00
Mr. Arnold	1 00	Friend	1 00
Mr. Gannon	1 00	Mr. Ward	1 00
Mr. G. Moberly	1 00	Mrs. P. Matthews	1 00
Mr. McCabe	1 00	Messrs. John Vaughn	1 00
Mr. Gregory	1 00	J. M. Oliver	1 00
Mrs. C. Patton	1 00	Alex Fraser	1 00
Mrs. Braniff	1 00	Less than \$1 00	68 00
Mr. Riely	1 00		
Miss Bingie	1 00	Total	95 00
Mrs. Farrell	1 00		
Mr. Chas. Noble	1 00		
Mrs. M. Long	1 00		
Mr. Ganley	1 00		
Mrs. McAuley	1 00		
“ Bracken	1 00		
“ P. Boyle	1 00		
Miss Corbett	1 00		
“ Malcolm	1 00		
Mrs. Frawley	1 00		
“ Andrews	1 00		
“ Smittie	1 00		
“ Grant	1 00		
Mr. Green	1 00		
Mrs. Stone	1 00		
H. Twesdal	1 00		
Friend	1 00		
G. H.	1 00		
Less than \$1.00	62 40		
Total	173 90		

CLIFTON.

Mrs. R. Whitty	2 00
“ C. Flynn	1 00
“ Quillinan	1 00
“ McMahan	1 00
“ Glynn	1 00
“ Mahoney	1 00

NIAGARA.	
Rev. Father Harold	4 00
Mrs. Burton	4 00
“ Healy	2 00
“ McFaul	2 00
“ Esmond	2 00
“ D. Coleman	1 00
“ F. Hull	1 00
“ J. Murphy	1 00
“ McClean	1 00
“ Freil	1 00
“ Tremble	1 00
Less than \$1.00	63 00
Total	83 00

THOROLD AND PORT ROBINSON.

Estate of late John Battle ..	10 00
Messrs. John Conlon	5 00
Thos. Conlon	5 00
W. Hannah	2 00
A. Schualler	2 00
Mrs. McNamara	2 00
“ Kenny	2 00
“ McAndrews	1 00
“ Rocket	1 00
“ Fraser	1 00
“ Lannon	1 00

Miss Coan	\$1 00
Mrs, McMahon	1 00
Mr. R. Commarford.....	1 00
Messrs. Crawford.....	1 00
E. Fitzpatrick	1 00
J. B. Henderson	1 00
Thos. Foley.....	1 00
Edward Foley.....	1 00
Mrs. O'Leary.....	1 00
Mr. Johnson.....	1 00
Less than \$1.00.....	32 70

Total 75 70

OSHAWA.

Rev Fr. Jeffcott.....	5 00
Miss Hughes	5 00
Messrs. S. Jameson	4 00
W. A. Cowan	4 00
H. C. Morphy.....	4 00
J. Leonard	2 00
F. L. Henry	2 00
S. V. Morton	2 00
M. Cassels	2 00
J. McRae.....	1 00
J. Elliot Holmes	1 00
J. G. Ryley	1 00
L. J. Maxwell	1 00
M. Brimacombs	1 00
Miss Leonard	1 00
" Forom	1 00
Mr. J. J. Grecion	1 00
Less than \$1.00	35 00

Total 73 00

PICKERING.

Rev. E. Gallagher	5 00
Mr. O'Connor	5 00
" Post.....	5 00
" O'Connor	3 00
" McBrady.....	2 00
Miss O'Connor	2 00
Mr. Walsh	2 00
Miss O'Leary	1 00
Mr. McCann.....	1 00
Less than \$1.00	28 00

Total 54 00

MERRITTON.

Mr. Riordan	5 00
Mrs. Cogan.....	3 00
Friend	2 00

Mrs. Philips.....	\$1 00
" Gibbin	1 00
" Gibbin	1 00
" Coady.....	1 00
Miss Flynn	1 00
Mrs, Leo.....	1 00
" Brennan	1 00
Mr. McGrath.....	1 00
Mrs. Corcoran.....	1 00
Messrs. J. S. Davis	1 00
McLeary & McLean	1 00
Mrs. Hooey.....	1 00
Mr. Welsh	1 00
" Ritz	1 00
Less than \$1 00	17 00

Total 41 00

Penetanguishene	111 00
Port Dalhousie	47 00
Whitby.....	40 00
Port Colborne	38 00
Welland.....	28 00
Fort Erie	28 00
Victoria Harbor	18 00
Little York	12 00
Weston	8 75
South Adjala.....	114 00
107 Bags Wheat ; 8 bags flour ; 1 qr. beef ; 8 bags meat ; 1 tub butter ; 1 bag sundries.....	98 00
Orangeville & Brampton..	98 00
9 bags Flour and 23 bags Grain	90 00
Stayner.....	90 00
9 bags Grain and 5 bags Flour.....	72 00
Alliston.....	72 00
38 bags Wheat ; 4 bags Flour ; 4 bags Meat.....	66 00
Flos and Medonte	66 00
17 bags Grain and Flour ; 2 boxes bacon ; 2 bags bacon	44 00
Caledon.....	44 00
49 bags Wheat ; 2 bags Oats ; 5 bags Flour.....	39 00
Toronto Gore	39 00
24 bags Wheat ; 20 bags Flour ; 1 box Meat.....	26 00
Schomberg.....	26 00
13 bags wheat ; 10 bags flour ; 1 box meat.....	

Lafontaine \$18 00
 Wool, Soap & Maple Sugar.
 Barrie.....
 23 bags Flour and Grain...

Total from Archdiocese \$1,872 73

BEQUESTS.

Late Mr. Foley Brechin... 1800 00
 " Waldron Estate 50 00
 " Mrs. Welsh, Toronto. 50 00

FESTIVAL IN AUGUST.

St. Paul's and St. Joseph's
 Table 195 26
 St. Basil's " 147 35
 St. Mary's " 139 75
 St. Patrick's " 109 00
 St. Michael's " 104 90
 St. Helen's " 42 75
 St. Peter's " 30 00
 Sacred Heart " 21 05
 Fancy " 50 00
 Received at Gate 32 25

\$977 31

Expenses..... 180 32

Net sum.....\$796 99

DONATIONS FOR FESTIVAL (INCLUDED IN ABOVE AMOUNT)

Mr Hugh Ryan..... 25 00
 Mrs. J. Smith and daughters 20 00
 Dr. McDonagh..... 10 00
 Western Assurance Co ... 5 00
 Messrs. McLaughlin..... 5 00
 McLaughlin & Moore..... 5 00
 Mayor Fleming..... 5 00
 Messrs P Hughes 5 00
 Misses Smith..... 5 00
 Messrs. E. Taylor 5 00
 Kelly Bros 5 00
 Pugslev & Dingman..... 4 00
 D. McCall..... 4 00
 Mrs. Kew 2 50
 Messrs. W. S. A. Lamb ... 2 00
 Mrs. Armstrong 2 00
 " L. Clare..... 2 00
 Messrs. B. Jennings..... 2 00
 Davidson & Hay..... 2 00
 J. O. Orr..... 2 00
 Gourlay, Winter & Leeming 2 00

Mrs. Geo. Fiely 10.00

W. A. Lee \$2 00
 Dr. Strange 2 00
 Messrs. F. H. Cousineau .. 2 00
 Peter Ryan 2 00
 M. McConnell..... 2 00
 R. L. Gibson..... 1 00
 C. J. Mead..... 1 00
 Mrs. O'Connell..... 1 00
 " McConroy..... 1 00
 " M. Ryan 1 00
 Messrs Hayden Bros 1 00
 J. A. Devaney 1 00
 D. A. O'Sullivan 1 00
 Mrs. Kearns..... 1 00
 " Sullivan..... 1 00
 " Kernan 1 00
 " Flanagan 1 00
 Messrs Law 1 00
 F. Ryan 1 00
 Robertson Bros..... 1 00
 Mrs Hinds..... 1 00
 Messrs. J. Clancy..... 1 00
 G. Coleman..... 1 00
 Geo Duffy..... 1 00
 J. Cunerty 1 00
 W. R. Johnston & Co..... 1 00
 Thos. Thompson & Co..... 1 00
 W. Norris 1 00
 Mrs P. Burns 1 00
 " McLaughlin 1 00
 " Sloan 1 00
 Mr. Sloan 1 00
 " Sloan 1 00
 " McBrady..... 1 00
 " Small 1 00
 Miss Kirkwood 1 00
 Messrs. J. McQuillin..... 1 00
 Ambrose Small..... 1 00
 Geo. J Foy, 1 box cigars
 Mrs. Masey, 1 ham
 Chas. Wilson, 12 doz. pop
 Toronto Biscuit Co., biscuits
 R. J Lovell & Co., goods,
 value \$2 00
 Jas. Pape, flowers
 Mrs. " alone, 1 cake
 " Whalen, 1 cake
 " Clark, 2 cakes
 Miss McCue, 1 cake
 " Sheedy, 6 cakes
 Mrs. Nolan, 1 cake
 Mr. D. A. Small, 1 box cigars

Mr Peter Small, 1 box cigars
 Mrs. Sloan, flowers
 " D. O'Connor, flowers
 Miss Painter, dolls and several fancy articles
 Mrs Ryan, flowers

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FIRST SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER, ST. BASIL'S.

Mrs. Geo. Keily	50 00
Messrs. E. Taylor	25 00
Luke Murphy	10 00
Mrs. F. Smith	10 00
" Smith	5 00
Miss Smith	5 00
" M. Smith	5 00
" J. Smith	5 00
Mrs. Doan	5 00
Mr. Korman	5 00
Miss Nevins	5 00
Mr. J. Connolly	5 00
Mrs. Stewart	4 00
Mr Jas. White	3 00
Mrs. Fullerton	2 00
Mr. J. Doan	2 00
Mrs. Duggan	2 00
Mr. Wm. Ryan	2 00
" Ward	2 00
" McPherson	2 00
" Bonner	2 00
" J. Ryan	2 00
Friend	2 00
Mr. J. Hanrahan	2 00
" Boulton	2 00
" McCarthy	2 00
Mrs. K. Dodds	2 00
Mr. O'Connor	1 00
Mrs. Fallon	1 00
" Brown	1 00
Mr. E. Croak	1 00
" P. Small	1 00
Miss Sheehan	1 00
Mr. A. Croak	1 00
Friend	1 00
Mr. Maloney	1 00
Mrs. Burrows	1 00
Mr. M. J. Brown	1 00
" Crottie	1 00
" J. Crottie	1 00
Mrs. O'Brien	1 00
Miss Sullivan	1 00
Mr. McLaughlin	1 00
Mrs. P. Small	1 00

Mr. M. J. Crottie	\$1 00
" Roach	1 00
" Madden	1 00
" Flannery	1 00
" Alex. Robertson	1 00
Mrs. M. Brady	1 00
Mr. A. Dissette	1 00
Mrs. Healy	7 00
Mr. A. Foster	1 00
" J. Doan	1 00
" P. Bragg	1 00
" McTavish	1 00
Mrs. Kiernahan	1 00
Mr. Byrne	1 00
Mrs. O'Sullivan	1 00
Mr. Murphy	1 00
" John Long	1 00
Mrs. Sloan	1 00
Mr. McBride	1 00
Mrs. Kingsley	1 00
Mr. Tyson	1 00
" Kelly	1 00
Friend	1 00
Dr. Cassidy	1 00
Mr Boyle	1 00
Friend	1 00
Miss Hoskins	1 00
" Coyle	1 00
Friend	1 00
Less than one dollar	29 25

\$243 25

St. Mary's, 1st Sunday Nov.	168 25
St. Patrick's, "	127 65
St. Michael's, "	125 25
St Paul's, "	116 50
St-Helen's, "	69 00
Our Lady of Lourdes, "	60 00
St Peter's, "	18 00
Sacred Heart, "	5 00

Grand total \$932 90

OTHER SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Monsignor Rooney	\$ 10 00
Mr. G. Kiely	100 00
Friend	100 00
Friend	25 00
St. Vincent de Paul Society,	
St. Mary's	20 00
Rev. Fr. Gibney, Alliston,	10 00
St Vincent de Paul Society,	
St. Helen's	10 00

Mr. Wm. Lehane, Downeyville	10 00
Mrs. Kenny, Mimico.....	15 00
Mr. Wm. Milligan, Toronto	10 00
“ Alex. McDonnell, “	10 00
F. X. Cousineau, “	10 00
Messrs. Cosgrave & Co. “	10 00
Mr. Joseph Connolly, “	10 00
Major Gray, “	6 00
Messrs. Cooper & Smith, Toronto.....	6 00
Rev. Fr. Kilcullen, Adjala	5 00
“ J. J. McIntee, Port Colborne.....	5 00
“ P. Whitney, Caledon	5 00
“ M. Moyna, Stayner..	5 00
Mr. F. X. Messner, Formosa	5 00
“ T. Hanley, Belleville..	5 00
“ P. Brock, London	5 00
“ P. Temple, Toronto...	5 00
“ Wm. Ryan, “	5 00
Miss Foy, “	5 00
Mrs. J. J. Foy, “	5 00
“ Hughes “	5 00
St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Patrick's, Toronto.	5 00
Rev. S. J. McPhillips, Orangeville	4 00
Mr. Murphy, Toronto	4 00

Rev. F. McSpirrit, Gribbin	3 00
DONATIONS TOWARDS THE CHAPEL.	
Mrs. J. Smith, carpet for Sanctuary, value \$150.00	
Mrs. F. Smith, lamp candlesticks, crucifix, flowers and vases	
“ J. Kenny, a sanctuary lamp	
Mr. Michael Spencer, \$25.00	
“ John Spencer, \$10.00	
Mrs. O'Leary, \$5.00	
“ Hennessy, a pair of vases	
“ Summers, \$7.00	

OTHER DONATIONS.

Mrs. Kiely, clothing and toys	
“ Wm. O'Connor, clothing	
Mr. N. Rooney, 12 jackets, remnants of linen, cloth, damask and gauze	
Miss Foy, clothing	
Mrs. Fraser, mattresses and clothing	
Miss C. Fraser, clothing	
Mrs. T. Long, bed, bedding and clothing	
“ J. Smith, clothing	
“ T. Anglin, clothing	
Hughes Brothers, cloth	
Mrs. Carroll, clothing	

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS.

His Grace Archbishop Walsh, \$25 and a side of beef	
Monsignor Rooney, a quarter of beef	
Very Rev. Father McCann, V.G., a sheep	
Mr. G. Kiely.....	\$100 00
L. Coffee & Co., 20 bags flour	
St Vincent de Paul Society, St Patrick's	5 00
Mrs Foy, a pail of candies	
Mrs Kenny, 6 dozen Jersey Jackets, 3 turkeys	
Miss Lee, candies	
Mr. Alex. McDonnell.....	10 00
Mr. L. Cosgrave.....	10 00
Christie, Brown & Co., 2 bbls. biscuit	
Jas. Bonner, a case oranges	
The Misses Smith, a case oranges ; 2 pails candies	

John J. McManus, bag of flour, candies	
Cor. Flannigan, 5 turkeys	
Mr. and Mrs. O'Keefe, a qr. beef	
R. & T. Watson, candies	
Miss Coffee, case oranges	
Mr. B O'Byrne, bbl. apples	
A friend.....	1 00
Mr. W. Murray, ½ dozen handkerchiefs	
Mr. Walsh.....	20 00
Mrs. McCaffray, handkerchiefs, gloves and guernseys	
Katie Corcoran and Annie Kane, a baby carriage and cradle	
Miss Cherrier, candies	
Pupils of Loretto, 50 lbs. candies	
Kelly Bros, a lamb	

LETTER FROM THE CHAPLAIN.

The annual report of the Sacred Heart Orphanage would be hardly complete without a word from the Chaplain. Few, indeed, except the Sisters in charge, have had better opportunities of witnessing the nature and extent of the charitable work done at that Institution. One who is not an inmate of the Orphanage can have but a faint idea of the laws, customs and usages which govern and make happy this little commonwealth. I may say a more orderly, contented and peaceful community it would be difficult to find. The charge of providing food, clothing and the other necessaries to comfortable home for nearly 300 orphans devolves entirely on the Sisters of St. Joseph. When we remember that the aid received from the Government and the city would not support the Orphanage for a single month, one wonders how so many little mouths are filled and so many little bodies clad for the eleven other months of the year. The exertions of the Sisters must indeed be superhuman, and the charity of the public most generous, to succor success.

The work done in the class room, where the orphans are taught during the ordinary school hours, according to the Inspector's reports, compare favorably with that done in any of the public or separate schools of the Province. Besides, the children have special classes of religious instruction.

On the 25th of June forty-five orphans made their first Communion; and on the 8th of December, after a three days' retreat, they were confirmed by his Grace the Archbishop. Both these classes were well instructed, and by their devout behaviour showed plainly that they understood the nature and importance of the steps they were taking.

In my opinion, the Sacred Heart Orphanage is well managed, and a very important work of Church and State is economically done. The children of that Institution are, I believe, in a more healthy atmosphere and trained under more favorable influences than they could hope for in their own homes. I have no hesitation in expressing my belief that under the watchful care of the Sisters of St. Joseph these little waifs will be brought up good members of society and good children of the Church of God.

L. E. CHERRIER, C.S.B.

LETTER FROM VERY REV. DEAN CASSIDY.

The Sisters of St. Joseph in charge of the Sacred Heart Orphanage submit herewith the Annual Report of the Institution for the year ending December 31, 1892. The Report, not entering into comparisons between the present returns and those of previous years, fails to inform the charitable public of the great progress made during the last year. Visitors to the Institution, however, have been gratified to observe that its accommodation has been more than doubled; that a beautiful chapel has been erected and dedicated under the invocation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The report refers briefly to the fact, that the orphan girls, up to present year maintained in the House of Providence, have been transferred to Sunnyside. No mention is made of the large sums expended in the building and furnishing of the newly erected portion of the Institution. It would seem as if the good Sisters were seeking to conceal their charitable works rather than to publish them. There is one portion, however, of this report which even their unobtrusive zeal and devotedness cannot render pleasant or satisfactory. They have been forced to incur a debt of \$1,442.00 in purchasing the necessaries of life for their dear little charges. Let us hope that a better knowledge of this most valuable Institution may impress the charitable public with the importance of its claims on their consideration.

The good Sisters render their acknowledgments to their benefactors; they submit the statement of their receipts and expenditures. Knowing the noble purposes to which these good religious devote their lives we cease to wonder at their heroic labors, their forgetfulness of self, their wonderful success in the training and education of their charge; but, taking everything into account, the large amount of good they have effected with such scanty means, is something that baffles human comprehension. They are doing it for Him who multiplied the loaves and fishes in the wilderness; laboring for Christ's little ones, they enjoy His special benediction.

That this report may move many hearts to sympathy—that the Sacred Heart Orphanage may be enabled to meet its obligations and to increase its benevolent work, is most earnestly to be desired.

E. CASSIDY, Dean,
Director of the Community at Sunnyside.

LETTER FROM DR. MCKENNA.

It is safe to say that only a small number of the charitably disposed people of Toronto really know anything about the Sacred Heart Orphanage, further than that such an institution exists. A visit to the place will amply repay any one who takes an interest in the poor orphans who are therein sheltered and cared for with a tender solicitude not excelled by that of the most affectionate parent. Its dormitories, spacious class-rooms and corridors are models of neatness, and the happy faces of the well-clad little ones, numbering between three and four hundred, by their appearance speak in language stronger than words of the care bestowed on them by the good Sisters. While their bodily wants are so well supplied, they also receive instruction equally to that imparted in the most expensive preparatory schools.

The sanitary arrangements are first-class, as is evidenced by the remarkable absence of sickness among the inmates. As one of the attending physicians of the Institution, I wish to bear witness to the facts above set forth.

C. MCKENNA, M.D.

LETTER FROM DR. McMAHON.

I have been connected with the Sacred Heart Orphanage for the past six or seven years in the capacity of physician. The health of the inmates has been marvellously good. In fact it has frequently been unnecessary for many weeks in succession to ask me to see a patient. During the past six years there have been but five deaths in the Institution. Many of the little ones who were delicate and puny on entering have developed into strong and healthy children, and this result has been achieved almost without the aid of medicines.

There could scarcely be a site better suited for the Orphanage, and the sanitary arrangements are excellent. The house stands high, being situated on a hill only a few yards from the shore of the beautiful Humber Bay. The neighborhood is sparsely populated, and just beside the grounds is High Park, the largest and most beautiful of Toronto parks. I cannot say enough in praise of the loving care bestowed on the orphans by the good Sisters. Excellent work is done in the school-rooms, and the baby class engaged at work in

the kindergarten is an interesting sight. In fact these poor little ones have as good educational facilities as the children of prosperous parents, whilst their religious training is carefully looked after.

I wish to draw the attention of the charitably disposed to a want that has been long felt in the Institution, namely: a properly equipped dispensary for storing and putting up the medicines. Heretofore it has been necessary to send out the prescriptions to be filled. This entails considerable delay, inconvenience and expense. A medicine chest and supply of medicines would be a very acceptable gift, and it is to be hoped that they will soon be supplied.

I sincerely trust that the Sisters will receive every possible assistance in the work they are doing. There is no more worthy charity than this; and hundreds of little waifs, who would otherwise swell the criminal population, are made useful members of society. The results speak for themselves, and even the most critical would, I believe, have difficulty in finding any cause for fault finding.

T. F. McMAHON, M.D.

SCHOOL INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

The following is the School Inspector's report: Examined today the classes at the Sacred Heart Orphanage and was highly pleased with the results. The children did good work—both oral and written - observed excellent order, and took a deep interest in their studies. Their happy, healthy and comfortable appearance was also a most pleasing feature. The accommodations, too, I found all that could be desired in the way of comfort and convenience.

April, 1892.

(Signed) CORNELIUS DONOVAN,
Inspector S. S.

“Let not that sleep in thy coffers which may be profitable to the poor. When a man has that with which he must necessarily at some time part he does wisely to so distribute it as to obtain from God an eternal reward.”—ST. CYPRIAN.