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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ONTARIO,
Toronto, 27th May, 1887.

I have the honor to state that I have received the report of Mr. J. L. Hughes, Inspector of the City of Toronto, respecting the "Victoria Industrial School," situated at Mimico, a copy of which is sent herewith, and after a careful examination of the said report, I hereby certify that the conditions required by Section 3 of the Act respecting Industrial Schools, having been duly complied with, the said Victoria Industrial School is authorized to receive pupils, and is entitled to all the privileges of an Industrial School under the said Act.

GEO. W. ROSS,
Minister of Education.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Industrial School Association was held in the school at Mimico, Oct. 19, 1889. The day was all that could be desired. The invitation given by the Board of Management was taken advantage of by a large number of the friends of the school, to pay a visit to the boys and attend the annual meeting. As in previous years the Board of Management provided a special train to carry the visitors to Mimico. The visitors were met at the Mimico station by the School Band, who headed a procession of upwards of 200 persons, and led the way to the school grounds.

Upon the arrival of the company at the grounds, an exhibition of drill and singing was given, which greatly pleased the onlookers.

When this was through, Mr. J. L. Hughes, on behalf of the Public School Board, presented the boys with a handsome marble clock, as a reward for their manliness and soldier-like behaviour on the Exhibition grounds on the 16th Sept.

At the conclusion of the drill the party was invited to the place where Mr. Charles Dudley Warner, at the last annual meeting, had turned the sod for a new cottage. At the invitation of the Chairman of the Board of Management, the Hon. Charles Drury, Minister of Agriculture, laid the corner-stone of cottage No. 3. His remarks were most happy and encouraging.

THE BOYS AT MIMICO.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE VICTORIA INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL—SATISFACTORY REPORTS.

[From the *Empire*, October 21st.]

The annual meeting of the Victoria Industrial School at Mimico, on Saturday, was held under favorable auspices for the boys and the philanthropic visitors. The latter were in the proportion of two to one to the former. The march past of the lads was a satisfactory evidence of their splendid physical training. When they sang "Row Brothers, Row," "Canada, Fair Canada," and "God Save the Queen," they delighted the listeners. Everybody had reason to be pleased, both in respect to the delightful, sunshiny weather and the marked excellence of the institution. There was also another pleasing feature of the day—a result of the increase in the committals to the school—the corner-stone laying of a third cottage. This ceremony was performed by Hon. Charles Drury, and with a novel implement, a sledge hammer. Mr. W. H. Howland in explaining this departure from the use of the time-honored silver trowel, said the price of that ornament would keep a boy in the school for a twelve-month, and Mr. Drury cordially endorsed the sentiment which prompted recourse to the sledge hammer. The Minister of Agriculture made a brief address. He spoke in terms of high appreciation of the work done at the school, and the workers outside who were keeping it going. He made commendatory reference also to the work done at Penetanguishene, but he was a thorough believer in the old adage, "Prevention is better than cure." He considered that the Ontario Government had not been liberal towards the Victoria Industrial School, and while he might be rash in making promises, he assured the management of the institution, that on the consideration of their application for twenty-five additional acres of land the school managers would have "one friend in court." [Applause.]

The ceremony was followed by the singing of the Doxology.

Other incidents of the day, before the commencement of the business meeting, were the presentations on behalf of the Public School Board, by School Inspector James L. Hughes, of a handsome marble timepiece to the school, and two silver guilt cups to the winners of the half and quarter mile races at the recent annual games. In doing this, he said more good things were to follow, and personally, it gave him extreme pleasure to confer those marks of well-deserved recognition on the boys.

The business meeting was held in the school room, which was adorned with mottoes like these: "Be Honest," "Be Earnest," "Be Brave," "Work and Win." The Minister of Agriculture conducted the proceedings. The reports were all overflowing with gratitude to God and the generous public. Carpentering, tailoring, butter-making and all other industries of the institution were recorded as having been signally blessed during the year. Superintendent McKinnon's voice had a joyful tremble in it as he read these documents:

There were 55 inmates a year ago, now there are 108. Of the admission 80 were Toronto boys, 8 were from the County of York, and the balance hailed from anywhere. Discipline had been good, order all but perfect; the farm had been remunerative, but should be double the size, making 100 acres.

Secretary Hendry and Mr. Beverly Jones disclosed the financial condition of the school, showing a mortgage debt of \$12,000, receipts for the year of \$17,000, assets to the value of \$50,000, exclusive of the value of the land.

Mr. Baird, public school trustee, gave a first-rate account of the physical trim of the boys.

Mr. Howland moved the adoption of all reports together, and his motion was carried. Addressing the audience, he said that with the increasing number of boys the cost per head per meal had been reduced to $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents. The farm account showed a profit of \$860; tailor shop, \$289; carpentry, \$230; paint shop, \$50; building, \$100; other work, \$150, making a total of \$3,179 earned by the boys during the year. Mr. Howland wanted a school house to cost \$7,000, which he trusted the city and the Public School Board

would provide, He also wanted a large work room and a complete gymnasium. He also wanted \$30,000, which he was sanguine would be forthcoming, to pay off the debt.

Speeches were also given by Messrs. Meredith, Northrop, Baird, J. Herbert Mason, Robert McLean, Rev. Robert McKay, Rev. W. D. Campbell. All these gentlemen breathed gratitude in every word and sentence.

BOYS IN TRAINING.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ASSOCIATION AT MIMICO.

[From the *Toronto Mail*.]

A large party of citizens left the Union Station at two o'clock Saturday afternoon by the suburban train, to attend the third annual meeting of the Industrial School Association at Mimico. Among them were Hon. Chas. Drury, Judge Proudfoot, W. H. Howland, Dr. Meredith, Beverley Jones, F. J. Stewart, James Hedly, Warring Kennedy, A. B. Lea, J. L. Hughes, W. J. Hendry, R. S. Baird, W. G. Storm, Robert McLaren, Chief Detective Stark, Staff-Inspector Archab ld, Rev. R. P. McKay.

The visitors were met, on arriving at Mimico, by the boys of the school, headed by their band. They were escorted to the grounds, where the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of a new cottage was duly performed. This cottage is the gift of the citizens of Toronto to the institution, and will cost between \$8,000 and \$9,000. Mr. Drury, in laying the corner-stone made a brief address, in which he laid great stress upon the importance of the work the Industrial School is doing. In that it prevents friendless boys from becoming criminals, he considered it less expensive to put them in the right path than to punish them for crime at a later stage of their life.

The company then proceeded to the school room, where the annual meeting was held. Some 250 persons were present. In addition to the gentlemen already named, Rev. Cannon Tremayne and Rev. Mr. Campbell were on the platform. After the prelimin-

aries, the Superintendent of the school, Mr. D. J. McKinnon presented his report, stating that there are at present 108 inmates. The average for the whole year was 88, and the number of inmates at this time last year was 55. The financial statement was read by Mr. Beverley Jones, the treasurer. It showed that the cost of maintenance during the past year was \$10,736, and that there had been expended for permanent improvements the sum of \$6,649. The receipts had fallen \$44 short of meeting the expenditure. Mr. W. J. Hendry read the report of the Board of Management. The report pointed out that there was urgent need for funds to extend the institution. The income for maintenance fully met the expenditure under that head, and, as the institution was extended, the cost of maintenance per boy would be decreased. The pressure upon the school made it necessary that the accommodation should be extended. The Board intimated that they will ask from the Government an addition to the land placed at the disposal of the school. At present the labor of the boys is more than enough for the present acreage. The Board wants 25 acres more land. The report of the physician, Dr. J. M. Cotton, was read, and stated that the health of the boys was quite equal to that of the average well-regulated family. No serious trouble had arisen except in the month of April, when there was a slight outbreak of diphtheria.

Mr. W. H. Howland, in moving the adoption of these reports, emphasized the urgent need of the school for the buildings that would be necessary in the near future. He looked to the friends of the institution to give some \$20,000 or \$30,000 by the time the new cottage was completed. The various reports were adopted.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Hon. Justice Proudfoot; Hon.-Secretary, Mr. W. J. Hendry; Hon.-Treasurer, Mr. Beverley Jones; Board of Management—Mr. W. H. Howland, chairman; Messrs. Beverley Jones, Dr. Meredith, F. J. Steward, James Hedly, Warring Kennedy, A. B. Lea, H. A. E. Kent, Ald. Gillespie, Ald. Swaite, Ald. George Verral, J. L. Hughes, W. C. Wilkinson. After various votes of thanks the meeting was brought to a close, and the company returned to the city.

MIMICO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

[From the *Globe*.]

About three years ago the work of establishing a Boys' Industrial School for the Province of Ontario was undertaken by two or three philanthropic citizens, and to-day the Victoria School at Mimico, with 108 boys in training, is estimated to be worth \$75,000. The principle of educating vicious and wayward boys into honest and self-reliant men, instead of allowing them to drift into the criminal ranks, proved to be very popular when presented to the public, and money was willingly subscribed by private citizens, the Board of Aldermen and the Provincial Legislature.

The annual meeting of the institution was held on Saturday afternoon, when about three hundred persons took advantage of the free trip to Mimico provided by the management. The train left the Union Station at 1.40, and among those on board were Hon. Chas. Drury, Warring Kennedy, Beverley Jones, W. H. Howland, W. J. Hendry, Inspector J. L. Hughes, J. Herbert Mason, E. A. Meredith, Rev. T. W. Campbell, W. G. Storm, Inspector Stark, Rev. Mr. McTavish, H. S. Northrop, Alex. McCormack and Robt. McLean.

When the party arrived at the school, the boys were put through a course of drill by Mr. G. C. Warburton, and they showed considerable proficiency in this as well as in their singing. A handsome clock, given to the boys for their share in the parade at the Exhibition on School Children's Day, was presented by Inspector Hughes in a short address.

An important ceremony was the laying of the corner-stone of the new cottage about to be erected. It will be remembered that the first sod for this building was turned last year by Charles Dudley Warner. The stone was declared well and truly laid by Hon. Charles Drury. A good deal of amusement was caused by Mr. Howland handing the Minister a sledge hammer with which to perform the ceremony, remarking that they were not wealthy enough to spend money on a silver trowel. Mr. Drury said he had always taken a deep interest in the work of the school, because he believed

it was better to spend money in saving and reforming the young than to allow them to go on in a criminal course. These boys were taken from the poorest classes, and he understood that besides giving them a good industrial training the idea was to have them soundly converted and become followers of the Lord Jesus. He had been told that the managers were anxious to get from the Government a further grant of twenty-five acres between the school and the railway track. He could not promise that they would get it, but he could say that in their application they would have at least one friend at court.

The visitors then adjourned to the hall, where the various reports were presented. Supt. D. J. McKinnon, in his report, stated that at the beginning of the year they had 55 boys in the school, and that they now had 108. Of these 80 were from Toronto and the remaining from various parts of the Province. He pointed out that to make the labor of the boys available they required additional farm land and also workshops for the winter. The cost of feeding the pupils had been reduced to 63 cents per week each, or at a rate of three cents per meal. Mr. Hendry, for the Board of Management, reported that there was a mortgage on the property of \$12,000. The new cottage about to be erected at a cost of \$8,000, will accommodate fifty boys.

Mr. Beverley Jones, Treasurer, stated that the total receipts for the year had been \$17,386, including \$687 on hand. The revenue was made up chiefly from fees, grants and private subscriptions, and was expended in permanent improvements, general maintenance, etc. The assets of the school were \$49,218, without counting the value of the land, which would bring the total value up to 875,000. The total liabilities were in the neighborhood of \$14,000.

The report of Dr. Cotton was read by Mr. R. S. Baird. It showed that the health of the boys had been uniformly good, the only serious illness being a couple of cases of diphtheria. Over fifty visits were paid to the institution, and, considering that the doctor's services were given gratuitously, he certainly deserved the hearty vote of thanks accorded him.

Mr. Howland, referring to the \$75,000 worth of property accum-

ulated affirmed that it dropped from Heaven. If they had started out a years few ago by asking for this amount, they would have met with a very cold reception, but by beginning with very little it had soon grown, because the work was a good one. They had succeeded in reducing the cost of the boys to \$2.41 per head per week or \$128 per year, which was as inexpensive as any similar institution in the country. He referred to the fact that \$1,600 worth of produce was raised on the farm, and a large amount of money saved by the boys doing carpentering, painting, etc. They were desirous of having a separate school building erected, so that the dining room and other apartments in the main building could be enlarged.

Short addresses were then made by Messrs. E. A. Meredith, J. H. Mason, Northrup, Rev. R. P. McKay, Rev. T. W. Campbell, Rev. Canon Tremayne, R. S. Baird, McLean and Inspector Archibald. The proceedings concluded with refreshments, and the party returned to the city about 6.30, well pleased with the afternoon's outing.

WITH THE BOYS AT MIMICO.

A NOBLE INSTITUTION AND THE GOOD IT IS ACCOMPLISHING—ENLARGING ITS SPHERE.

[From the *Toronto World*.]

The sun shone brilliantly on the 200 christian and philanthropic workers who were present at the annual meeting of Victoria Industrial School on Saturday. Outwardly all was cheery, so were the respective reports, the speeches, the prospects of the school. Three hours the proceedings occupied, devoid of iteration and monotony.

The drilling of the hundred grey-uniformed lads was admired; their march-past would have done credit to a militia regiment. Their singing was good, and the hills resounded with "Row Brothers, Row," "Canada, Fair Canada," the fitting climax being "God Save the Queen."

The father of the institution, ex-Mayor Howland, was profuse in thanks for the citizens' interest in the school. School Inspector

Hughes outrivalled him in praise of the attention, progress and conduct of the boys, in recognition whereof he presented, on behalf of the Public School Board, a handsome marble timepiece to the school. In fact presents were the order of the day. It was Canon Tremayne's turn next. He presented two silver-gilt cups to the winners of the half and quarter mile races at the annual games, and made the acceptable announcement that there are more to follow.

Victoria's New Cottage.

Corner-stone laying is fashionable just now at Mimico as well as Toronto. Last week the Episcopalians of the village had the Bishop amongst them and Dr. Sweatman laid their corner-stone. On Saturday the philanthropists had as their guest Hon. Chas. Drury, Minister of Agriculture, and he, too, took a hand in corner-stone laying. But there was this difference between the Bishop and the Farmer—the former had a silver trowel, the latter a sledge-hammer. Mr. Drury, a staunch friend of the school, did not feel the disparagement, for when Brother Howland explained to him that economy was the order of the day, and that the cost of the ornamental silver would keep a boy for a twelve-month, Farmer Drury emphatically said, "Hear, hear. You did right."

The increase in the committas to the school necessitated a third cottage, the corner-stone of which was laid on Saturday. Gibson & Simpson, of Adelaide Street east, are the architects, and for the cost, \$8,000, donated by the City Council, will erect a substantial and useful addition to the school.

Mr. Drury made a brief, forcible and practical speech. He praised the work and the workers, also that at Penetanguishene, whilst emphasizing the old adage, "Prevention is better than cure." The Government had, he said, not been illiberal towards that institution, and, although it would be rash for him to make any promises, he assured the managers that on the consideration of their application for other 25 acres of land, the Victoria School would have one "friend in court." [Applause.] In workmanlike style the Minister laid the stone, and the Doxology floated afar on the autumn breeze.

The Business Meeting.

The Company then adjourned to the school room, scanned the boys' slatework and mapping, looking approvingly on such mottoes as "Be Honest," "Be Earnest," "Be Brave," "Work and Win," "Try Again," and settled down to business, which was well conducted by the Agriculture Minister. The religious minister, too, discharged his opening and closing functions. Voluminous were the reports read, all telling the same tale of prayers answered, faith rewarded, promises circumscribed, large sums expended, more wanted, and a well-nigh all-round success.

There were 55 inmates a year ago, now there are 108. Of the admissions, 80 were Toronto boys, 8 were from the County of York and the balance hailed from anywhere. Discipline had been good, order all but perfect; the farm had been remunerative, but should be double the size, making 100 acres. Equally couleur de rose was the bulletin of carpentry, tailoring, butter-making and other toil that flesh is heir to. All this was told with elate spirit by Superintendent McKinnon.

Secretary Hendry and Mr. Beverley Jones made the budget speeches, in which was disclosed the fact of a mortgage debt of \$12,000; receipts for the year, \$17,000; assets of the institution, \$50,000, exclusive of the value of the land.

Public School Trustee Baird, in the absence of Dr. Cotton, York Mills, posted the audience on the boys' health and ailments.

Ex-Mayor Howland beamingly and effusively moved the adoption of the report en bloc. The noble work of the school was his text, and the three divisions of his discourse were—what it costs, what it makes, what it wants. With the increasing number of boys the cost per head per meal has been reduced to $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents. The farm account showed a profit of \$860; tailor's shop, \$289; carpenter's, \$230; paint shop, \$50; building, \$100; other remunerative work, \$150, making a total of \$3,179 earned by the boys during the year.

Under "What we want," Mr. Howland placed a schoolhouse, to cost say \$7,000, which he trusted the City Council and Public School Board would provide; a large work room and a complete

gymnasium. To pay off the debt and provide all requisites would require \$30,000, which he was sanguine would be forthcoming.

Space fails to record the eloquent periods of Messrs. Meredith, Northrop, Baird, J. Herbert Mason, Robert McLean, Rev. Robert McKay, Rev. W. D. Campbell. Suffice it to say that there was a chorus of praise, and that thanks were awarded all around.



REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.

To the Board of Governors of the Industrial School Association. of Toronto.

GENTLEMEN.—In presenting its report for the year 1888-1889, your Board of Management desires to express its thankfulness for the progress that has been made during the year. The work of the Association is becoming more and more appreciated as year after year passes by. This is evinced by the growing interest taken in the Victoria Industrial School, and the place it has secured in the sympathy of the public.

The establishment of such a school for friendless boys, who, if left to follow the bent of their own minds, are likely to become the inmates of our prisons or jails, is no longer a matter of experiment. That such a school will accomplish what was claimed has been amply proven. The wild, self-willed, neglected boy, the truant, and the lad who was gradually drifting into criminal habits, after a year or two in training become steady, thoughtful and trusty, and by the discipline they have to undergo they are trained to habits of regularity and obedience. At the same time they receive the advantage of a good public school education, and also a training in some useful work.

The cottage that was in course of erection last year has been finished, and, in a very short time, was filled with boys. The need for more accommodation has been felt for some time. Your Board is happy to state, that, owing to the liberality of the citizens of Toronto and the City Council, it is enabled to commence the erection of another cottage that will accommodate fifty additional pupils. There is, however, a sum of twenty-five hundred dollars remaining on the second cottage, and a mortgage debt on the whole property of \$12,000, which, it is hoped, means may be forthcoming to enable your Board to reduce, or better, still, wipe off entirely.

With an increase in the number of boys your board will be able, at a less cost per boy, to maintain the school, but it would still

claim the generous support and aid necessary to enable it to provide and equip buildings for workshops, to be used more especially during the winter months, when there is comparatively little employment for the boys on the farm.

The Superintendent's report specifies the increased accommodation which the Board must provide so soon as funds can be obtained, and in addition the Board ventures to express the great necessity for more land, the labor of the boys at present in residence being more than is needed for the present acreage. It is the hope of the Board that the Ontario Government may kindly supply this great need by a further grant of at least 25 acres additional, from the property adjoining the school.

The report of the Superintendent and the report of the Medical Health Officer will give an account of the condition, work and health of the school.

The financial statement will show the cost of maintenance, and will give an exact account of receipts and expenditures for the year.

Your Board would also gratefully acknowledge the goodness of Jehovah, the Supreme Governor of the universe, for His continued favor in thus far leading and directing their minds in connection with the "labor of love" they have undertaken.

In conclusion, your Board desires to express its sincere thanks to the many friends of the school for their continued and generous support, to the City Council and the citizens of Toronto for their liberal vote, to the Ontario Government for its annual grant, and to the Superintendent, Teacher and Officers of the school who have faithfully discharged their duty.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. HOWLAND,
Chairman Board of Management.

W. J. HENDRY,
Honorary Secretary.

Mimico, October 19th, 1889.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Board of Management Victoria Industrial School.

GENTLEMEN.—I have the honor to present the following report of the Victoria Industrial School, for the fiscal year ending 30th September last.

1. The number of pupils enrolled at the beginning of the year was 55 ; the number enrolled at the close of the year was 108, and the average number in residence was 88. The number of pupils admitted during the year was 60, and the number leaving was 8, of whom three returned to their homes in the city, two went with their parents to England, two with parents or relatives to Buffalo and Rochester, and one to a home in the country. Of the eight last named three will, I am satisfied, do well ; of two others I have good hopes ; for the sixth I have but little, and the two remaining were with us too short a time for me to form a very accurate judgment respecting them.

Of the 108 boys now on the roll the

City of Toronto sends.....	80
County of York.....	8
“ Ontario.....	5
“ Oxford.....	3
“ Simcoe.....	3
“ Welland.....	2
“ Lincoln.....	2
“ Norfolk.....	1
“ Brant.....	1
“ Peterborough.....	1
“ Perth.....	1
“ Haliburton.....	1

Their ages are as follows :

From 7 to 9 years inclusive.....	9
“ 10 to 12 “.....	46
“ 13 to 15 “.....	53

They are employed as follows :

On the farm.....	18
In the carpenter shop.....	11
“ tailor shop	16
“ laundry and housework (main building).....	14
“ kitchen and dining room.....	21
“ Superintendent's Office and store room	1
“ cottages (at house work and mending).....	27

Their time is spent as follows :

In manual labor in the several departments ..	4½ hours
“ school work.....	3 “
“ play out of doors.....	2½ “
“ washing, dressing, meals, etc.....	2½ “
“ Bible reading and devotional exercises....	1 “
“ reading and recreation in cottages.....	1 “
“ sleep	9½ “

The School.—As most of the boys sent to us have been persistent truants, it cannot be expected that they should be as well advanced in their studies as boys of equal age in other schools. Nevertheless in penmanship, map drawing, letter writing, the simple rules of arithmetic, especially addition, and in the general neatness of the work done, our boys need not fear the result of comparison with those of other schools. So far as discipline is concerned, I have never before seen a school in which such all but perfect order is maintained with so little effort. It speaks well for the manliness^s of our boys, that they should be so willingly obedient to a lady.

The Farm.—This, I look upon as the most important of our departments of labor. The work is more healthful, more interesting, more remunerative, and therefore better for the boys morally and physically, than in any other department. Besides, a boy trained to farming in all its branches, including the growing of vegetables, small fruits and flowers, draining, the care of stock, butter-making and rough carpenter work, can always command fair wages, and can easily save sufficient to give him a fair start on a free grant farm in Ontario or in the North-West by the time he

reaches the age of twenty-five at the latest. In the present overcrowded state of all trades and professions, I question whether a boy so trained has not a better start in life and a better prospect of a comfortable middle and old age, than a boy tenderly reared and educated in a good High School. A glance at the figures in the appended schedule will show that our farming operations during the past year have been financially successful. But a fifty-acre farm is not large enough to afford employment for the hundred boys we have, far less for the two hundred we expect to have very soon. We urgently need more money to procure more land, more stock, more implements, more outbuildings, more drain tile, more fruit trees and plants. If we had these we have within ourselves the labor to accomplish much greater results.

The Carpenter Shop.—Here we do not pretend to “teach the trade” in such a way that a boy leaving us can undertake “journey” work. But a boy spending two or three years in our shop must acquire a readiness in the use of tools and a general knowledge of ordinary carpenter work that will be very useful to him under any circumstances, especially if he should be a farmer. The schedule annexed shows that the boys in this department have not been idle.

The Tailor Shop.—The distinguishing feature of this department is the careful, thorough manner in which all work is done. Nothing approaching slipshod work is tolerated, and as several of the boys have been for two years under the same instructor, it may well be supposed that they have become somewhat proficient. Their work speaks for itself. In no other department are the boys so constantly under the eye of their instructor, and the good results of such close supervision are very noticeable.

The Kitchen and Dining Room.—Partly as the result of efforts put forth to check wastefulness, and partly on account of the more plentiful supply of vegetables and milk, the cost of provisions other than farm produce has been reduced to the average of 63 cents per boy per week during the past six months. The appended schedule showing the cost of the various articles of food used during that time, will be found interesting. I must not omit to state that on

the 17th May last, butter-making was undertaken, and that in the nineteen weeks succeeding that time, 177 pounds, or an average of $9\frac{1}{2}$ pounds a week was made.

The Laundry.—Here all the washing and ironing for the cottages and the main building, and the clothing of the boys and the officers has been done, and generally done very well indeed by the boys, who in addition do all the sweeping and dusting and scrubbing of the main building, and keep the officers' rooms in order. Where the work is so scattered it is impossible for the instructress to supervise the boys as closely as is desirable. Nevertheless the discipline has been on the whole satisfactory, and the work is done with a cheerfulness which is very pleasing.

The Cottages.—Here the smaller boys find employment in housework, and in mending, darning and knitting. When their age is considered, many of the boys do very good work. As they grow older they are drafted into other departments.

Religious Teaching.—This is a very important feature of our work. The boys have family worship—scripture reading, singing and prayer—every morning, and what may better be termed a “Bible reading” or exposition of Scripture, chiefly by references to corresponding passages, with the singing of several hymns, in the evening. They appear to be attentive and keenly interested during these exercises, and though they, like older people, may often forget to be “doers of the Word and not hearers only,” I believe that nearly every one of them acknowledges in his own heart the authority of that Word, and has a sincere though sometimes all too weak desire to serve his God, and to “love Him because He first loved us.” All attend the village churches once every Sabbath, and the Superintendent, with the assistance of a member of his family and Miss Miller, conducts Sunday School in the school room of the institution.

Music.—In vocal music the boys have been under the training of Mr. G. C. Warburton, and have learned to sing with very considerable taste and expression. The Band, under Mr. Dale, has learned to play in such a way as to win the praise of competent

judges. Mrs. Denison continues to teach the boys songs which they thoroughly enjoy.

Drill.—The steady marching of our boys on Dominion Day, when they, following their own band, led the van of the public schools procession, was highly commended by Inspector Hughes and Capt. Thompson. The Industrial Exhibition Committee awarded them a handsome clock for their excellence in drill at the parade on School Children's Day, 16th September last.

Amusements.—Our boys play the same games as others, and foot ball, skating, marbles, kite-flying, baseball and "shinny" come and go with the fashion as regularly as in the most aristocratic school in the country. The annual games, instituted by a "syndicate" of summer residents of the village, assisted by the permanent residents, was a complete success. Besides a hundred dollars' worth of prizes distributed, a fund of some \$250 was subscribed, and has been set apart for the encouragement of manly sports amongst the boys.

Our Difficulties.—We are overcrowded. No sooner was the west cottage finished than it was filled almost more rapidly than desirable with boys whose names had been in some cases many months on the list. We put into the dormitories more beds than we should have made room for, and still there were so many pressing applications that we fitted up a room in the main building, putting it into the charge of a steady boy and giving him eleven room mates. Through the kindness of the City Council we have received the money necessary to erect another cottage, but that, too, will be filled immediately it is built. Already our dining room is crowded to its utmost capacity. All the work rooms, too, are fully occupied. We must either increase our accommodations or decrease our efficiency. You have already considered and endorsed a plan for providing all necessary accommodation, which, if you find the means to carry into effect, will place the school in this respect in a very satisfactory position.

Our Encouragements.—Every boy, however vicious he may have been, becomes within a few days or at most a few weeks, at least

outwardly obedient, orderly and industrious. Most boys become truthful and even candid, partly perhaps because it "pays" but partly also because they learn to look upon lying as mean and cowardly. Boys do improve in every respect outwardly, and it is hard to believe that the cultivation of good outward habits can fail to have a beneficial effect upon the inner being.

The warm interest taken in our work by so many good people is a great encouragement to us to believe that we are really accomplishing something. Where so many have been so very kind it would be invidious to particularize, but it may be allowed me to mention the treat given the boys by Mrs. Cameron, the giver of the cottage which bears her name. Her visit was most heartily enjoyed by all, and the wise words she spoke cannot fail to bear fruit in the boys' hearts. The kind friends who gave the boys concerts, Xmas trees, pic-nics, magic lantern exhibition, musical instruments, baseball outfits, knives, fruit, candies and other presents are so numerous that I cannot well name them all.

Escapes.—Several boys have "run away" during the past year. This might perhaps be prevented, but certainly should not be. To make escape impossible would be to turn the school into a prison. There is little virtue in following the right path unless a wrong path lies open. Our school exists for the education of unruly boys, not for their punishment. To teach a boy self-control is in almost every case to make a man of him, for weakness rather than wickedness is generally the foundation of a useless or vicious life. It is better therefore to give the boys every liberty consistent with discipline. It is better that nine boys (after counting the cost) should freely choose to stay and that one should choose to go, than that all ten should stay because of walls too high and bolts too strong to overcome. That this policy is as sound in practice as it is in theory has been amply proven. During the past year more than one-half of our boys have visited their homes for two or three days at a time—Christmas preferred—and if all did not enjoy the same privilege, it was more often the fault of the home than of the boy. On "Children's Day" ninety-three boys were turned out amongst thirty or forty thousand people to wander at will over the Industrial

Exhibition grounds from nine in the morning till five in the evening, but not one was "left" by the homeward train. During the whole year no boy who has been *specially* trusted has broken faith with his superintendent by attempting to escape. It is not in God's nature to disappoint those who put their trust in Him, and in this particular the most incorrigible boy is more God-like than we are inclined to believe him.

To conclude, I must tender my own personal thanks to the officers who have faithfully and self-sacrificingly discharged their duties and cordially assisted me in mine ; to Mrs. Warburton, Mr. Hendry and Mr. Burgess, who have so kindly undertaken my work during my absence on several occasions, and to yourselves, the members of the Board of Management, for your constant support and encouragement.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DONALD J. MCKINNON,
Superintendent.



PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

To the Board of Management Victoria Industrial School.

GENTLEMEN.—I have the honor to present my Second Annual Report of the Victoria Industrial School. The health of the boys during the past year has been on the whole fair. The only disease of a contagious nature we had was diphtheria, and although each case was promptly isolated a fresh one would crop up, so that during the months March, April, May and June our hospital had one and sometimes two patients. They had a mild form of the disease, and possibly only one was of a dangerous type. This latter had a trained nurse, to whom great credit is due for the ultimate recovery of the boy. Four cases of pneumonia, one of pleurisy and one of inflammatory rheumatism completed our list of ailments. Of surgery, I am pleased to state, we have had but little, excepting minor accidents that would happen in any well regulated family. When there is not anything special I find one visit a week meet all wants, but during the past year it was necessary to make 79 visits.

I would again direct your attention to the necessity of a more perfect system of isolating cases of contagious disease when occasion arises.

During the past year one of the boys acted in the capacity of nurse, and he carried out my orders in a manner alike creditable to himself and advantageous to the patients.

The boy Kirkwood, whose services you kindly acknowledged, has a natural talent, and from the interest taken in these cases, I should judge that he would, if afforded an opportunity to study, make his mark as a physician.

The officers take the kindest interest when any of the boys are sick, and they are cared for as well as they could be in their own homes.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. COTTON.

TORONTO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

STATEMENT of Receipts and Expenditure, Victoria Industrial School for year ending 30th Sept., 1889.

RECEIPTS.

Maintenance :

Balance on hand 30th Sept., 1888	\$ 687 03	
Ordinary revenue, fees, grants, subscriptions per list	10,250 00	
Farm account, cash	101 22	
Clothing account, cash	1 25	
Fuel account	13 55	
Provisions account	131 70	
		\$11,184 75

Permanent Improvements :

Balance on hand 30th Sept., 1888	\$ 17 80	
West cottage building account, City of Toronto ..	3,000 00	
East " " " " " " ..	1,000 00	
West cottage furniture account per Mrs. Boddy ..	532 50	
Borrowed from Dominion Bank	1,604 76	
Balance due Treasurer	44 34	
		\$ 6,191 40
		\$17,386 15

PAYMENTS.

Maintenance :

Clothing account	\$ 1,573 52	
Provisions account	2,792 34	
Fuel and light account	846 22	
Repairs and cleaning account	135 88	
Furnishings, general account	476 38	
Farm account	717 15	
Salaries account	2,580 66	
Interest account	757 06	
Miscellaneous expenses account	857 54	
		\$10,736 75

Permanent Improvements :

West cottage building account	\$ 2,962 72	
Farm " " " "	1,537 10	
Farm improvement account	1,189 31	
Furnishing main building account	159 42	
" Cameron cottage " "	25 96	
" West " " " "	697 74	
" East " " " "	75 15	
		\$ 6,649 40
		\$17,386 15

Correct.

October 16th, 1889.

ALFRED E. DENISON,
Auditor.

TORONTO INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Victoria Industrial School, Mimico. Balance Sheet, 30th September, 1889.

ASSETS.		
Main Building.....		\$23,481 79
Cameron cottage.....		7,004 02
West cottage.....		8,588 96
Farm cottage.....		1,536 10
“ buildings.....		750 00
“ stock.....		1,065 00
“ implements.....		732 95
“ improvements.....		1,000 00
“ produce on hand.....		937 40
Furniture of Main building.....		1,615 56
“ Cameron cottage.....		806 37
“ East cottage.....		75 15
“ West cottage.....		685 91
Clothing—balance on hand.....		388 05
Fuel—balance on hand.....		20 00
Provisions.....		60 00
General furnishings.....		97 00
Dominion Bank, special account.....		374 13
		\$49,218 39
LIABILITIES.		
Building Fund, Main building.....		\$16,513 08
“ “ Cameron cottage.....		8,257 94 +
“ “ West cottage.....		7,663 29
Canada Permanent L. & S. Co.....		12,390 00
Dominion Bank.....		1,604 76
Farm cottage.....		1,536 10
East “.....		1,000 00 X
Revenue.....		208 88
Balance due Treasurer.....		44 34
		\$49,218 39

Correct.

October 16, 1889.

ALFRED E. DENISON,
Auditor.

MIMICO, 16th Oct., 1889.

To the Chairman Board of Management Toronto Industrial School Association:—

SIR,—I hereby certify that I have examined the books and vouchers of the Victoria Industrial School at Mimico, and that the balance sheet and statements of receipts and expenditure herewith (for the year ending 30th September, 1889) are correct.

ALFRED E. DENISON,
Auditor.

VICTORIA INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

SCHEDULE I.

Farm Report for year ending 30th September, 1889.

Farm Produce used:

Table vegetables.....		\$ 230 75
Milk—3,428 gals.....	\$ 0 15	514 20
Pork—600 lbs.....	07	42 00

 \$ 786 95
Farm Produce on hand:

Potatoes—800 bushels ..	\$ 0 40	\$ 320 00
Turnips—50 “ ..	20	10 00
Carrots—30 “ ..	40	12 00
Parsnips—40 “ ..	50	20 00
Beets—50 “ ..	40	20 00
Celery—1,000 sticks ..	03	30 00
Squash—440.....	06	26 40
Beans.....		12 00
Cabbages.....		75 00
Onions.....		10 00
White carrots—225 bushels ..	20	45 00
Mangolds —625 bushels.....	20	125 00
Hay—8 tons.....	10 00	80 00
Grain fodder—9 tons.....	10 00	90 00
Corn fodder ..		100 00

 \$ 975 40
Work of a Permanent Character:

Levelling, grading, etc.....		\$ 62 50
Carting earth and stones.....		14 00
Excavating for barn basement—350 yds.....	\$ 0 25	87 50
Digging and laying drains.....		92 00
Blasting rock in well, 4 ft.....	3 00	12 00
Drilling 10 ft. 8 in.	60	6 40
Teaming 135 loads manure, 2½ tons each....	2 00	270 00

 \$ 543 40

55 00

Total value farm produce and labor.

 \$2,360 75
Expenditure on Farm Maintenance:

Salaries and wages.....	\$ 780 00
Other expenses	717 15

Net profit on farm work.....

 \$1,497 15

863 60

 \$2,360 75

SCHEDULE II.

TAILOR BOYS' WORK FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH SEPT., 1889.

Making :

Coats, 21.....	\$ 1 50	\$ 31 50	
Vests, 3.....	75	2 25	
Pants, 361 pairs.....	50	180 50	
Aprons, 169.....	10	16 90	
Braces, 83 pairs.....	07	5 81	
Towels, belts, etc.....		95	
Repairing garments, 1,024.....	05		\$ 237 91
			51 20
			<u>\$ 289 11</u>

SCHEDULE III.

CARPENTER BOYS' WORK.

Finishing basement, staining, oiling, varnishing and painting throughout, and other work on west cottage.....	\$ 230 00
Painting and fixing inside fittings, etc., on farm cottage.....	50 00
Building ice-house and refrigerator, implement and lumber sheds, fixing battens on stable, and inside fitting for same.....	100 00
Work on closets in course of erection, and general repairs.....	150 00
	<u>\$ 530 00</u>

Summary of Work (other than housework) done with the Boys during the year:

Value of farm produce and labor.....	\$2,360 75
“ Labor done with Carpenter Boys.....	530 00
“ “ by Tailor Boys.....	289 11
	<u>\$3,179 86</u>

SCHEDULE IV.

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE ON MAINTENANCE.

Expenditure from 1st April to 30th September, 1889.

	Total for Six Months.	Average per Boy.	Average per boy per week.
<i>Provisions :</i>			
Flour	\$ 474 74	\$ 4 70	\$ 0.180
Meal	11 58	12	.005
Barley, beans, etc	12 25	12	.008
Rice, sago, tapioca	20 15	20	.008
Tea, coffee, cocoa	60 55	60	.023
Sugar and syrups	190 79	1 89	.073
Salt and other condiments	13 40	13	.005
Fruits, fresh	25 07	25	.010
“ dried and preserved	14 11	14	.005
Meats and fish, fresh	449 86	4 46	.172
“ “ cured	45 72	46	.018
Butter and cheese	210 01	2 01	.081
Other provisions	88 13	88	.032
Totals	1,616 36	16 00	.630
<i>Soap and other requisites for cleaning</i>	104 23	1 03	.040
<i>Clothing :</i>			
Overcoats and suits	325 94	3 22	.124
Shoes	167 50	1 66	.064
Other clothing	269 85	2 68	.108
Totals	762 89	7 56	.290
<i>Fuel and light</i>	210 80	2 08	.080
<i>Furnishings, general</i>	305 99	3 03	.117
<i>Repairs</i>	42 59	42	.016
<i>Farm :</i>			
Horses	180 00	1 78	.066
Feed	250 18	2 48	.094
Implements	141 65	1 40	.053
Other farm expenses	87 36	86	.033
Totals	659 19	6 58	.250

SCHEDULE IV.—Continued.

	Total for Six Months.	Average per Boy.	Average per boy per week.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
<i>Interest</i>	402 67	3 99	.151
<i>Salaries</i>	1,147 09	11 38	.439
<i>Miscellaneous expenses</i>	319 37	3 16	.124
Total paid by Industrial School Board	5,573 18	55 18	2.120
Salaries of Principal and Teacher for half-year (paid by City Public School Board)..	975 00	9 58	.37
Cost of maintenance (other than wear and tear), six months	6,548 78	64 76	2.49

Expenditure for the whole year ending 30th September, 1889 :

	Total for Year.	Average per Boy.	Average per boy per week.
	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
Cost of maintenance, whole year, (inclusive of salaries paid by Public School Board)..	12,248 25	139 18	2.68
Estimate for depreciation in value of buildings (say 2 per cent.)	827 20	9 40	.18
Estimate for depreciation in value of stock, implements and furniture (say 10 per cent.)	598 09	6 79	.13
Total cost of maintenance, whole year.	13,673 54	155 37	2.99

Average attendance, whole year, 88 ; average attendance from April to September, 101.

NOTE.—The cost of fuel and light, clothing and provisions is much greater in the six months from October to March than in the second half of our financial year.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS - *Continued.*

SPECIAL ALLOWANCES.

H. A. Collins, special subscription on purchase of range ..	\$ 48 00	
Elias Roger & Co., " " coal account	25 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 73 00

GRANTS.

Ontario Government.	\$1,500 00	
City of Toronto on account West Cottage.	3,000 00	
" " " East "	1,000 00	
	<u> </u>	\$5,500 00

FEES.

From municipalities	\$5,736 16	
" parents, etc	2,064 36	
	<u> </u>	\$7,800 82

