

LETTERS FROM FORMER INMATES.

GIRLS.—(We give precedence to the first letter from the circumstances connected with the history of the writer. She was found by a police officer on a cold December night, bare-footed, bareheaded and scantily clad, seated on the steps of a building. She was too young to give much account of herself, except that she had been cast out of doors by an inhuman relative. She was unable to give any information as to the street on which she had resided, and so was kindly taken in charge by the officer, and in the morning committed to the House of Refuge. There she fully repaid the care and instruction given her, and in due time was placed in a good home where she has been well educated and most affectionately treated. She has even had the opportunity of acquiring some accomplishments, and has in every respect proved herself worthy of the attention paid to her. The script would do credit to many young ladies with the best advantages of education. The grateful spirit and ease of expression speak for themselves.)

DECEMBER 21, 1865.

Your annual letter of remembrance has arrived, and with your expressed desire that I should write, "if only a few lines." I still retain a most pleasant and grateful recollection of the "House of Refuge" and its inmates, particularly my dear and kind teacher, Miss ———. Does she still continue with you? If so, please give her my warmest love. Tell her I would love to see her, and ask her, please be kind enough to write to me, and let me know if any of my old companions are yet there. I like my home very much, and have become quite a horse-woman, ride often and frequently drive Mrs. ——— out. When I return to Baltimore, one of my first visits will be to you, for whom I cherish a most lively and affectionate remembrance. With a grateful heart I remain. &c.

M. E. F.

HARFORD Co., Dec; 17th, 1865.

I know it has been a long time since I have written to any of you; but there was a protracted meeting at ———, and I went nearly every night, and thought I would get converted.