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GENTLEMEN :

I consider it unnecessary to comment upon the design and operations of a society so well known as ours ; especially as the public mind has been so satisfactorily enlightened by your former reports.

I will therefore confine myself to a minute detail of statistics.

We had remaining in our "Home" at the close of the year ending September 30th, 1865, 8 children. 110 additional ones have been received, and 32 returned to the "Home" from the country, making in the aggregate 150. Of this number 114 have been placed in comfortable 'homes ; 8 ran off from the "Home," and for various reasons were not returned ; 22 have been returned to their parents ; leaving with us not disposed of 6. Of the 110 received, 16 had both parents living ; 20 had father only ; 52 had mother only ; and 22 were orphans ; 1 was received from parents ; 19 from father ; 44 from mother ; 13 from relatives ; 3 from friends ; 3 from Orphans' Court, and 27 from magistrates.

66 were American ; 3 English ; 29 Irish, and 12 German ; 23 could read and write, 22 could read only, and 65 could neither read nor write.

Of the 128 placed in homes, including the 14 transferred ; 108 were placed in Maryland ; 1 in Pennsylvania ; 1 in New Jersey ; 4 in Virginia ; 1 in Indiana ; 7 in the House of Refuge, and 6 in the Orphans' Asylum. Of the above number, (128,) 100 were placed with farmers, 3 with mechanics, 7 with store-keepers, 2 with ministers, 2 with physicians, 1 with an editor, and 13 in institutions.

3 Expeditions, comprising companies of children, were made as follows :

To Triadelphia, Montgomery county, Maryland.

To Easton, Talbot county, Maryland.

8 Expeditions visiting children, as follows :

To Church Hill, Queen Anne's county, Maryland.

To Middletown, Frederick county, Virginia.

To Port Tobacco, Charles county, Maryland.

To Triadelphia, Montgomery county, Maryland.

To White Hall, Baltimore county, Maryland.