

Nothing has transpired during the year to alter my opinion as to the great value of the boarding-out system. On the contrary, I am more than ever convinced that, under the excellent supervision which now prevails, the most favourable results must follow the general adoption of the system.

I beg to bear testimony to the zeal and energy of the master and matron. They continue to take the deepest interest in the welfare of the children under their charge, and they have the hearty co-operation of the other members of the staff.

I have, &c.,

H. H. PRINS,

Medical Officer.

The Hon the Minister of Education, Wellington.

### No. 5.

#### Dr. BURNS'S REPORT ON CAVERSHAM SCHOOL.

SIR,—

Dunedin, 7th February, 1888.

I have the honour to report to you that the sanitary condition of the school and the health of the inmates—average number being 127—are in a very satisfactory condition. The amount of sickness during the year has been very little, and no serious case has occurred calling for any special remarks. The same may be said of those boarded-out children who are in this district.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT BURNS, F.R.C.S. Edin.,

Medical Officer.

The Secretary of Education, Wellington.

### No. 6.

#### MEMORANDUM ON CAVERSHAM SCHOOL by Dr. HISLOP.

Mr. Habens.

Dunedin, 22nd August, 1887.

I SPENT yesterday (Sunday) afternoon at Caversham Industrial School, and saw the Sunday-schools at work. There are three schools: one, having the largest number of scholars, is taught by Church of England teachers in six separate classes; the Roman Catholic children are taught by four and sometimes five teachers (lay); the third division or school is composed of children of Protestant denominations other than Church of England; there are four or five classes.

JOHN HISLOP.

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